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DATE: June 20, 2012
TO: Mayor & Council
FROM: City Clerk's Office
CC: Rich Dlugas, City Manager
SUBJECT: Resolution No. 4621

Resolution No. 4621, authorizing the submission to the voters at the November 6, 2012, General Election, proposed amendment to the Charter regarding term of Mayor is being brought forward at the request of Councilmember Sellers.

RESOLUTION NO. 4621

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER, COUNTY OF MARICOPA, STATE OF ARIZONA ORDERING THE SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION, PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF CHANDLER.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to submit proposed Charter amendments to the voters of the City of Chandler at the general election to be held on November 6, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, that the proposed amendments to the Charter for the City of Chandler, attached hereto as Exhibit "1" and by reference made a part hereof, be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Chandler at the general election to be held on November 6, 2012.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, this ____ day of _____, 2012.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 4621 was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Chandler, Arizona, at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2012, and that a quorum was present thereat.

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT 1

Article II, Section 2.01, Subsection (d) shall be amended to read as follows:

- (d) *Term of mayor.* The term of office of mayor shall commence at the first regular meeting of the City Council in June following their election and shall be for a period of ~~two (2)~~FOUR (4) years or until their successor is elected and qualified.

Article II, Section 2.01, Subsection (e) shall be amended to read as follows:

- (e) *Limitation of terms.* No person shall be eligible to be elected to the office of councilmember for more than two (2) consecutive terms, or to the office of mayor for more than ~~four~~TWO (2) consecutive terms or to more than a consecutive combination of same. A person elected to two (2) consecutive terms as a councilmember or ~~four~~TWO (2) consecutive terms as mayor or a combination of same as above set forth shall not be eligible to hold either office again until four (4) years have elapsed. Councilmembers or mayor[s] who resign shall not be eligible for re-election or appointment until the second succeeding city election following the date of tender of their written resignation, except as provided in subsection 2.06 (c). **FOR DETERMINING CONSECUTIVE TERMS FOR AN INCUMBENT MAYOR, IF THE INCUMBENT MAYOR HAS BEEN ELECTED TO TWO CONSECUTIVE 2-YEAR TERMS AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2012, THOSE TWO 2-YEAR TERMS SHALL BE CONSIDERED THE EQUIVALENT OF ONE 4-YEAR TERM, FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THIS SECTION.** All incumbent councilmembers and the mayor holding office on May 19, 1997, shall be limited to the number of terms of office authorized on that date by this Charter, unless there is a Charter amendment approved setting forth that incumbent councilmembers and mayor are eligible for election to additional terms.

Article II, Section 2.01, Subsection (f) shall be amended to read as follows:

- (f) *Elections.* Elections for mayor and councilmen shall be held in ~~each~~ even-numbered YEARS as provided in article VII of this Charter. ~~with a mayor and three (3) councilmen elected every two (2) years.~~