



Charter Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

2015-2016

PROPOSAL No. _____
(For Commission Use)

SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

Providing personal or organizational information is optional; however, it will help the Commission seek additional information from you or your organization if additional questions arise during our deliberations. Please be aware that these documents will be part of the public record.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address

Street address: _____

Address Line 2: _____

City, State: _____

Postal/Zip Code: _____

Representing (check one):

Myself

Organization

Name of Organization: _____

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CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL FORM

1. Provide a brief description of the:
- Proposed Charter amendment;
 - Purpose of the proposed Charter amendment;
 - Issue or problem to be addressed by the proposal; and
 - How the proposal would address the issue or problem.

Purpose of Amendment: The Corporation Counsel is the chief legal adviser and legal representative of all agencies, including the City Council. However, the City Council, as the legislative branch, *only has the power to approve the Corporation Counsel - it does not have the power to dismiss. In extreme circumstances* where the City Council believes the Corporation Counsel is not acting in the City Council's interest or is it not otherwise fulfilling its duties, it should have the ability to remove that person.

2. If applicable, list the Charter provision affected by the proposal.

3. If the proposal is based on a provision or provisions in the charter or laws of another jurisdiction (e.g., another county, city, or municipality), name the jurisdiction and, if possible, attach a copy of each provision or law.

4. If the proposal is based on any written materials you have, please attach a copy of each with a citation to its source.

5. Attach the text of the proposed Charter amendment in Ramseyer format (see instructions below).

There shall be a department of the corporation counsel headed by a corporation counsel who shall be appointed by the mayor, with the approval of the council, and who may be removed by the mayor or by two-thirds vote of the council's entire membership.

Ramseyer format:

- **AMENDING AN EXISTING CHARTER PROVISION:** Indicate by underscoring, any language being proposed to be added to the Charter and indicate by [bracketing], any language being proposed to be deleted from the Charter.
 - **REPLACING AN EXISTING CHARTER PROVISION:** [Bracket] the article, chapter, or section of the Charter proposed to be deleted, and underscore the text of any provision proposed to replace the deleted material.
 - **ADDING A NEW CHARTER PROVISION:** Provide the text of the new provision and, if possible, indicate where in the Charter the new material should be added.
6. If this proposal is being submitted by an organization, please indicate the organization. If it is being submitted by an individual, please indicate the individual's first and last name.*

7. Please include the address, phone number, and email of the organization or individual from Item 6 above, if you would like to be contacted.*

*Responses to Items 6 and 7 are optional; however, providing responses to these items will help the Commission's deliberations, especially when additional information or research is required. Please be aware that these documents will be part of the public record and available to the public.

All proposals must be submitted by **October 31, 2015**.

You may submit your proposal by:

- Filling the form online and uploading documents, if any; or
- Submitting your completed form and any attachments by mail or email:

- ✓ Mail to:
2015-2016 Charter Commission
City and County of Honolulu
530 South King Street, Room 501
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

- ✓ Email to:

cclcharter@honolulu.gov

Thank you for participating in the 2015-2016 Honolulu Charter Commission process!