



# Charter Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

2015-2016

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## Submit Charter Amendment Proposal

You may submit your proposal to the Charter Commission. Please fill in the required fields (marked with \*) below and click Submit. You will receive a confirmation message when complete.

### **Proposal Submittal Information**

**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 may be available to the public.**

**Name \***

**Email (required to send you confirmation) \* ?**

**Phone**

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**Address**

**Representing \***

Myself  Organization (Please fill in field below)

### **Charter Amendment Proposal Form**

**1. Please provide a brief description of: The Proposed Charter amendment, the purpose of the proposed Charter amendment, the issue or problem to be addressed by the proposal, and how the proposal would address the issue or problem.**

Reduce the number of neighborhood boards to one per council district. This proposal may make the boards larger but it will ultimately give them more clout. It would also cut down on the time that the police, fire and other departments need to currently spend going to numerous neighborhood board meetings. It will also reduce the cost of running the Neighborhood Board Commission since less staff would be needed to service the boards.

**2. If applicable, list the Charter provision(s) 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.**

**Relevant Provision**

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

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

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**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.

All proposals must be submitted by October 31, 2015.

If for any reason you are having difficulty using our online submission process, you may submit your proposal by mail or email:

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1. Section 14-101 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended, be amended to read as follows:

**"Section 14-101. Neighborhoods and Neighborhood Boards –**

Nine neighborhoods and neighborhood boards, one for each council district, to increase and assure effective citizen participation in the decisions of government, shall be established in accordance with a neighborhood plan."

2. That Section 14-104 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended, be amended to read as follows:

**"Section 14-104. The Neighborhood Plan –**

The neighborhood plan shall be amended to designate the boundaries of neighborhoods every 10 years, in tandem with the reapportionment of council districts and provide procedures by which registered voters within neighborhoods may [initiate and form neighborhoods] elect members to serve on the neighborhood boards after each reapportionment plan has gone into effect and the manner of selection of the members of neighborhood boards, their terms of office and their powers, duties and functions.

The plan may be amended by the commission, after public hearings to be held in various areas of the city, and amendments shall become effective upon filing with the city clerk."

3. That the Commission consider any interim provisions that may need to be submitted to voters between adoption of the above charter amendments and the first neighborhood board elections based on the revised neighborhood boundaries.
4. That in the foregoing clause of this Resolution, proposed new Charter material is underscored and Charter material to be deleted is bracketed.