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## Proposal Submittal Information

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## 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.:**

Remove the Corporation Counsel from exclusive accountability to the Mayor. Presently, the Corp Counsel is a member of the Mayor's cabinet and can be fired by the Mayor, but not the City Council. As a result, the Corp Counsel has a strong incentive to consistently side with the administration in any dispute. For example, Corp Counsel opined that the Council has no approval authority over the HART budget, that the Council's sit-lie bills were illegal (but not the Mayor's), and that the Council must set property tax rates by bill (which the Mayor can veto) rather than resolution. To remedy this, the Council could have the power to dismiss the Corp Counsel as well, so that the Corp Counsel would be accountable to both equally. Alternatively, you could make Corp Counsel an independently elected position, like the City of Los Angeles, or simply add the duties of the Corp Counsel to the Prosecutor, to make Corp Counsel directly accountable to the people.

**2. If applicable, list the Charter provision(s) affected by the proposal::**

N/A

**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.:**

N/A

**Relevant Provision:**

N/A

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

N/A

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

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- **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.

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

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