

2015-2016 HONOLULU CHARTER COMMISSION
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.

Restore partisan (political party) elections for the offices of mayor and councilmembers. The office of prosecuting attorney may remain nonpartisan.

The restoration of partisan politics would increase the number of candidates running for the respective offices, improve the choices for the electorate at both the primary and general elections, and reduce the number of uncontested seats.

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

RCH Sections 3-102, 5-101, et al.

3. If the proposal is based on a provision or provisions in the charter or laws of another jurisdiction, name the jurisdiction and, if possible, attach a copy of each provision or law.

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

5. Attach the text of the proposed Charter amendment in Ramseyer format.

See earlier repealed RCH provisions that required partisan elections for the offices of mayor and councilmembers.