

**DRAFT - 17th Charter Revision Committee Draft Report
Reccomendations to the Board of Representatives -
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Vote #	Subject	Description	Charter Section
		<i>This is a condensed version of the Official Commission Report. The Full Report is available in the Offices of the Board of Representatives or online.</i>	
96	Annual Report	Extend by one month the deadline for city agencies, departments, Commissions, etc. to file its Annual Report for the preceding fiscal year.	C3-10-13
6	Budget Process	Add a provision eliminating BOF and BOR approval for additional appropriation requests in amounts of \$2,500 or less in the aggregate per annum per department.	C8-30-12
7	Budget Process	Permit the Mayor to manage the budget (with respect to salary items) once approved by the elective boards.	C8-30-11
131	Budget Process	Use the word "department" in place of the word "office" with regard to the transfer of certain non-salary budgeted funds within an office, department, etc.	C8-30-11
13	Audit Process	Extend the Annual Audit Report delivery deadline by the BOF to the Mayor's Office and the BOR by one month, until October 31).(Currently it is due by September 30th.)	C6-20-8
1	Audit Process/Risk Management	Mandate an Internal Audit and Risk Management function within the Office of Administration. (Under the current Charter, the Internal Audit function is discretionary.)	C5-50-2
19	Pension	Eliminate the provision that the Police and Fire trust funds are the beneficiaries of any abandoned, unclaimed, or stolen money in the charge of the police and fire departments and of any fines for forfeitures imposed on members of the police or fire department.	C7-10-8
35	Bonding	Revise the description of " Short-Term Capital Project" as a capital project with a useful life of seven (7) years or less under Federal tax guidelines; it also allows bonding for these Short Term Capital Projects up to 5 years.	C1-10-4
36	Bonding	Correct this technical/grammatical change; strike the word "recommendations" and replace with "such projects."	C8-20-6
37	Bonding	Add language to clarify the process and make the language consistent with current charter provisions that state: upon the request of the Mayor, the BOF may amend the capital projects budget subject to the approval of the BOR. The action of the BOF is a "recommendation" to the BOR.	C8-20-7
39	Bonding	Eliminate the requirement that the BOF approve an amendment to the capital projects budget, consistent with the the above recommendation. (C8-20-9 relies upon the current Charter language in C8-20-7 and provides that the approval process to increase the capital projects budget requires the approval of an amendment to the capital budget by both the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives.)	C8-20-9

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40a	Bonding	Codify and clearly provide that the authorization for issuance of bonds lies with the Mayor and his administration. (Currently, the BOR is authorized to issue bonds and under State law may delegate this authority to the Mayor and his administration to facilitate the process.)	C8-50-1
40b	Bonding	Allow the Mayor and the Director of Administration to set the maximum interest rates for bond issuances. (The Charter currently provides for BOF approval.)	C8-50-1
40c	Bonding	Allow the Mayor and the Director of Administration to determine whether the City uses "Project Specific v. Cash low Bonding." (Current Charter language provides that the BOF determine the manner and amount in which bonds so authorized are issued.)	C8-50-1
40d	Bonding	Provide that short-term capital projects (as defined in the proposed revisions to section C1-10-4) shall be financed by bonds maturing not later than five years after issuance.	C8-50-1
40e	Bonding	Transfer the authority to refund bonds from the BOF to the BOR in the manner proscribed in the Connecticut General Statutes. (Current Charter language provides this authority to the BOF.)	C8-50-1
41	Bonding	Transfer the power to issue, set the terms, rate of interest, form, manner of sale and other particulars of temporary Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) to the Mayor and the Director of Administration and extend the period from one year up to three years. (Current Charter language allows the BOF to issue temporary BANs for a period of up to one year.)	C8-50-2
42	Bonding	Eliminate the requirement of a vote by the BOF regarding the issuance of bonds in case of public emergency. (Current Charter language requires the approval of five members of the BOF and three fourths of the entire membership of the BOR (the BOR vote will still be required).	C8-50-3
9	Board of Finance	Limit the powers of the Board of Finance to only matters relating to fiscal policy and financial matters.	C6-20-7 and 9
10	Board of Finance	Narrow the investigatory powers of the BOF to fiscal matters only, consistent with its fiscal responsibilities listed in C6-20-7 (Page 44). (The current Charter gives the BOF broad investigatory powers and appropriations to conduct investigations.)	C6-20-9, C6-20-7
14	Board of Finance	Require that a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the City's outside auditors be issued at least every five years.	C6-20-8
44	Board of Representatives	Change the requirement that the BOR's first meeting following each quadrennial election be held on the "first Monday in December" rather than "December 1st" to avoid weekend conflicts.	C3-10-11
45	Board of Representatives	Allow the BOR to hold its monthly meeting on another day within the same month by resolution. (This will avoid potential conflicts with federal and religious holidays as the Charter currently requires the BOR meet on the "first Monday of every month.")	C2-10-4
46	Board of Representatives	Provide that at the end of a BOR term, items on the agenda terminate and must be reintroduced by members of the incoming BOR.	C2-10-2
47	Board of Representatives	Permit the Board of Representatives to cancel one regular meeting during each successive twelve month period following its Organizational Meeting.	C2-10-4

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	Board of Reps/Superseding Ordinance Language	Eliminate the authority of the BOR to vote a Commission out of existence. (This authority is found in several charter sections.)	C6-100-3; C6-120-4; C6-130-3; C6-140-10; C6-160-6
79	Board of Reps/Charter Review	Amend the language relating to the timing of Charter Review as follows: "To the extent permissible under applicable state law, the BOR shall endeavor to schedule the referendum on any proposed charter amendments or revisions to coincide with a general election at which either the Mayor, state officials or federal officials are to be elected.	C1-40-5
99a	Board of Reps/Removal of Elective Officers	Amend the provision relating to Removal or Impeachment of Elected Offices to remove the term "Impeachment" from the section and to add procedural requirements to comply with State and Federal due process rights.	C1-90-1 (Page 16)
138	Board of Reps/Ordinance Publication	Recommend amending public notification language to read: "Official Notice will be posted on the city website and notification given to at least one local news media, including, but not limited to, print, electronic and broadcast media."	C1-10-4; C2-10-16 (Pages 11 & 20)
49	Ordinance/Mayor/Bd of Reps	Require that the Mayor return an ordinance within 10 business days after receipt from the BOR. (Current Charter language is ambiguous.)	C2-10-13 and C2-10-14
50	Ordinance/Mayor/Bd of Reps	Require the Mayor to give written notification of being absent from the city for any period of 48 hours or more to the President and/or Clerk of the BOR and/or the Town Clerk. (The Charter currently does not have any similar provisions.)	C2-10-14
51	Ordinance/Mayor/Bd of Reps	Require the Clerk of the BOR to present an ordinance to the Mayor within 2 business days of BOR enactment; upon presentation to the Mayor, the Clerk should receive dated official acknowledgement of receipt; the Mayor has 10 business days to approve the ordinance and return it to the BOR and if not returned in that time frame, the ordinance becomes effective after another 10 business days have passed. (The current Charter language is ambiguous.)	C2-10-13 and C2-10-14
142	Ordinance/Mayor/Bd of Reps	This is a technical recommendation relating to the calculations of time throughout the Charter. The recommendation is that wherever the Charter specifies action or a timeline tied to a specific number of days, that any such timeframe which is less than ten (10) days be exclusive of weekends and holidays.	C1-10-4
52	Boards and Commissions	Provide that the terms of office for members of the Police and Fire Commission shall coincide with the term of office of the Mayor.	C6-00-2;C6-00-4
54	Boards and Commissions	Amend language so that the terms of members of boards and commissions terminate six months after the expiration of the appointment term (currently, unless the member is reappointed or replaced, the member serves indefinitely).	C6-00-4
67	Boards and Commissions	Eliminate the Water Pollution Control Commission as it has been superseded by the Water Pollution Control Authority. (In accordance with the recommendation of the Mayor's Task Force on Governance.)	C6-160-1
68	Boards and Commissions	Eliminate the Personnel Appeals Board and transfer its duties to the Personnel Commission.	C6-150-1-, C6-150-2

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121	Health Commission	Change the Health Commission's duties by amending of C6-100-2 by eliminating subparagraph (1), "[The Health Commission shall] [d]etermine the health policies for the City" and amend subparagraph (2) by deleting "[The Health Commission shall] "make recommendations" with "[The Health Commission shall] serve as an advisory body to the Director of Health regarding health policy issues for the City."	C6-100-2
108	City Directors/Dir of Health	Add a new subparagraph: "The Health Director will seek the counsel of the Health Commission to establish and review all matters of health policy for the City, and the Health Director shall keep the Health Commission advised on matters pertaining to health policy of the City." (Current Charter language is ambiguous as to relationship between Health Commission and Health Director.)	C5-40-4 (a)
56	City Directors/Dir of Economic Development	This recommendation would add a 5th member to the Mayor's Cabinet by elevating the Director of Economic Development to a cabinet position and leading a newly-created Office of Planning & Economic Development.	C5-10-1
83	City Departments	Place the Land Use offices under a new Office of Planning & Economic Development under the supervision of a newly-created cabinet position, Director of Planning and Economic Development.	C5-30-1, et seq
86	City Departments	Create an Office of Planning and Economic Development, headed by a new cabinet level position, the Director of Planning & Economic Development, who shall be responsible for the administration, supervision and performance of all administrative municipal functions related to Land Use and Economic Development including but not limited to planning, zoning, zoning appeal and enforcement, environmental protection, economic developments, community development and traffic planning. The Building Department remains under the Office of Operations.	C5-10-1; C5-30-1
88	Chief Building Official	Add "Notwithstanding any provision hereinafter to the contrary, the Building Officer reports directly to the Director of Operations." (The current Charter does not state to whom the Building Officer reports.)	C5-30-6
65	WPCA/Dir of Operations	Specify and designate that the Director of Operations shall aid and support the WPCA in carrying out those responsibilities in items 5,9,10,11,12 and 18. This revision should partially remedy the conflict of responsibilities between the Office of Operations and the statutory intent for the WPCA as an independent entity and allow the BOR to designate organization and management by ordinance.	C5-30-2
66	WPCA/Dir of Operations	Establish a new and separate Charter section recognizing the WPCA as an entity that exists by state statute and organized and managed by city ordinance. The WPCA shall, along with the aid and support of the Director of Operations, carry out its responsibilities.	C5-30-2
85	City Departments	Place the maintenance and operation of the Terry Connors Rink under the jurisdiction of the Parks & Recreation Commission." (The current Charter language does not address Terry Connors Ice Skating Rink.)	C5-30-5

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61	City Directors/Dir of Legal Affairs	Clarify that Corporation Counsel does not have to personally appear in all actions by adding "or his/her designee" after the word "appear." (Current Charter language requires that the Director of Legal Affairs personally appear at all actions.)	C5-20-3
92	City Directors/Dir of Public Safety/Environmental Protection	Amend the language concerning the duties of the Director of Public Health and Safety of Welfare to include the following language: ...and, unless otherwise provided by state or federal law, shall be responsible for the oversight of all municipal functions related to the abatement and management of environmental contamination...	C5-40-1 et seq.; and C5-30-8
70	Election	Limit service to one elected municipal position. (Currently there is no restriction on serving on multiple elected boards.)	C1-80
71	Election	Change the term of constables from two to four years.	C1-70-3
73	Election	Impose limits of two terms (either consecutive or separate) on the Office of Mayor.	C1-70-3
74	Election	Reduce the size of the BOR to the election of one representative per current district commencing with the election of 2013.	C1-80-1
77	Election	Replace the word 'meeting' with 'election' .	C1-70-1
95	Mayor's authority	Remove this section (re: hindering the Mayor) and request the BOR to address it by ordinance.	C3-10-14
137	Mayor's authority	Delete this section, which allows the Mayor to take acknowledgement of signature on deeds and other instruments, as it is inconsistent with State law.	C3-10-8
97	Easements	Require BOR approval prior to the City entering into an agreement for an easement. (The Charter currently provides that the BOR approves the sale of property.)	C2-10-2(10)
100	Creation of a Historic Preservation Commission	Establish an Historic Preservation Advisory Commission to serve in an advisory role only to all land use boards. The composition, membership and method of appointment of the Commission will lie with an ordinance to be enacted by the BOR. (Currently there are no Charter provisions for an Historical Preservation Commission.)	C6-00-1 et seq.
133	Special Assessments	Amend the Charter provisions relating to Special Assessments so that it complies with State Statutes.	C8-60-10
134	Special Assessments	Amend the Charter provisions relating to Special Assessments so that it complies with State Statutes.	C8-60-9
136	Condemnation and disposition of land	Amend the Charter provisions relating to Condemnation Proceedings so that it complies with State Statutes.	C1-50-2
139	Official Undertaking	Add the word "a" in between the words "in and "form" for clarity (grammatical correction).	C5-20-18
33	Classified & Unclassified Service	Expand anti-discrimination protection to all employees of the City of Stamford. Presently, the Charter makes reference only to Classified Employees.	C5-20-16
34	Classified & Unclassified Service	Ensuring that all "protected classes" of employees recognized by State and Federal law are protected by the Charter. Except, "political opinion of affiliation" shall not be a protected class for employees who serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.	C5-20-16

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140	Citizen's Bill of Rights	Add language as a Preamble to the Charter which would give citizens certain rights including access to city government and the right to participate in city government. (The current Charter is devoid of any language to provide citizens certain rights.)	Preamble
141a	Citizen's Bill of Rights - Ombudsman	Include the Citizens Service Bureau in the Charter.	
115	Fire Service	Create a single fire department with a single chief with jurisdiction over all fire services training, standard operating procedures, assignments of personnel and allocation of other resources citywide. A combined fire fighting service would be created to be known as the "Stamford Fire Department" with a single Chief, two paid Assistant Chiefs (one for Career Services and the other for Volunteer Services). The Chief would be appointed by the Mayor; the Assistant Chief for Career Services would be appointed by the Chief from the ranks of the career services and the Assistant Chief for Volunteer Services would be appointed by the Chief from a pool of three nominated by a majority vote of the Chiefs of the volunteer fire companies. (The Charter currently establishes a separate fire department for career firefighters (The Stamford Fire and Rescue Department) and the five (5) volunteer fire companies. (Long Ridge, Turn of River, Glenbrook, Springdale and Belltown). This recommendation would grant (subject to the supervision and direction of the Chief) the chiefs of the volunteer companies primary firefighting responsibilities in their fire districts and primary responsibility over the personnel and equipment assigned to their fire districts.	C5-40-3 (d)
116	Fire Service	Include a statement that the volunteers remain an important component of the Stamford Fire Department and that recruitment of volunteers and strengthening of the volunteer force be a priority, under the supervision of the Chief and Assistant Chief for Volunteer Services.	C5-40-3(d)
116a	Fire Service	Delete the word "status" in the re-write of this section: Jurisdiction. ... Nothing in this Charter shall be construed to affect the organization, status or property of the Volunteer Departments of Stamford.	C5-40-3(d)
116b	Fire Service	Change the requirement for a 2/3 vote of the BOR to change a fire district to a simple majority	C5-40-3(d)
128	Fire Service	Create a single office of Fire Marshal for the City of Stamford with a single Fire Marshal and his deputies for the entire City.	C5-40-3 {c}
129	Fire Service	Revise the role and the structure of the Fire Commission. Consistent with the other recommendations establishing a combined fire firefighting service to be known as The Stamford Fire Department, the Commission's role and duties shall apply to the entire Stamford Fire Department; also amend C6-90-1(1) to read: (1) Except for the appointment or removal of the Fire and Rescue Chief ... the Commission shall have the sole power of appointment and promotion of sworn career members ...".	C6-90-1 and C6-90-3

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109	Board of Ethics, Creation of	Establish a Board of Ethics in the Charter. (The current Charter does not have a Board of Ethics requirement.)	C6-00-1 et seq.
110	Board of Ethics - Limitations of Membership	Require the Charter follow CGS 1-80 (but only for 2 years). 1) "All members shall be electors of the City of Stamford and not an employee of the City of Stamford; 2) no member of the Board [of Ethics] shall (a) hold or campaign for any public office; (b) have held a public office or have been a candidate for public office for a 2-year period prior to appointment; and (c) hold office in any political party or political committee or be a member of any organization or association organized primarily for the purpose of influencing legislation or decisions of public agencies."	
110b	Board of Ethics - Legal Advisor	Provide that the Office of Legal Affairs serve as legal counsel to the Board of Ethics unless a conflict of interest arises wherein the Director for Legal Affairs shall retain outside counsel for the Board of Ethics.	
110c	Board of Ethics - Powers	Limit the powers of the Board of Ethics to investigate and adjudicate violations of the Code of Ethics brought to its attention.	
109a	Code of Ethics	Mandate that the BOR adopt a Code of Ethics (which could be the one already established).	

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		Considered but NOT Recommended for Submission to the Board of Representatives	
2	Budget Process	Amend the capital projects budget to include projects expected to be started with the next 2 years.	C8-30-1 et seq.
3	Budget Process	Require BOR approval of appointments of Special Assistants by the Mayor.	C3-10-2
145	Budget Process	Allow the BOF and/or the BOR to modify and increase the budget by allowing either Board to increase the budget or to transfer appropriations from one line item of program area to another.	C8-30-1 et seq.
146	Budget Process	Clarify whether the Planning Board needs to hold a public hearing on department estimates for the Capital Projects program and who is responsible for calling the hearing.	C8-20-1 et seq
147	Budget Process	Give the Mayor the authority to reduce the BOE's annual operating budget.	C8-30-1 et seq.
4	Budget Process/Board of Education	Permit the BOE to prioritize and direct the spending of capital funds.	C8-30-1 et seq.
5	Budget Process/Board of Education	Amend the timeline of the approval of the BOE budget to permit planning for September hiring needs.	C8-30-8
8	Budget Process	Institute a two-year budget cycle. (The Charter currently mandates a one year operating budget and estimates for each of the two fiscal years thereafter.)	C8-30-1
148	Bonds	Require all bond resolutions to be accompanied by a legal opinion that the offering is in compliance with Charter and other governing law and a list showing how the proceeds will be spent by project.	C8-50-1
11	Board of Finance	Reduce the number of BOF members needed for approval of additional/contingency appropriations from 2/3 vote to a majority.	C8-30-3
12	Board of Finance	Require BOF approval (in addition to BOR approval) on all collective bargaining agreements.	C6-20-7(d)
150	Board of Finance	Eliminate the BOF and transfer its responsibilities to the Fiscal Committee of the BOR.	C6-20-1
151	Board of Finance	Increase the number of elected members of the BOF.	C8-30-3
152	Board of Finance	Expand the BOF's investigatory powers.	C6-20-9
153	Board of Finance	Require the Internal Audit Department to report directly to the BOF, with at least two qualified staff members, to provide assistance to elective boards and the administration and conduct performance and compliance audits.	C6-20-9
154	Board of Finance and Board of Representatives	Combine all or certain fiduciary and fiscal oversight responsibilities into either the BOF or the BOR Fiscal Committee.	C6-20-1
162	Counsel/Board of Reps	Provide all Boards and Commissions with the authority to retain legal counsel.	C5-20-1

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161	Board of Reps/ Charter Review	Require a mandatory Charter Review every five years instead of the current ten year requirement.	C1-40-5
80	Board of Reps/ Counsel	Expand the ability of the BOR to retain counsel.	C2-10-2, C5-20-3
87	Board of Reps/Contracts	Provide procedures to address situations where the BOR approves a contract but the Mayor fails to execute the contract. (Currently only the Mayor can execute deeds and contracts for the City.)	C3-10-12
15	Board of Finance/Board of Representatives	Mandate joint hearings of the BOF and BOR during the approval process of various routine financial matters.	
78	Board of Finance/Board of Representatives	Create an independent investigative authority.	C2-10-1(12) & C6-20-9
99	Removal of Elective Officers	Clarify who would prosecute an impeachment proceeding.	C1-90-1
163	Elective Boards	Prohibit the BOF and the BOE from discussing items in caucus.	
48	Elective Boards	Limit party caucuses.	
53	Boards and Commissions	Set November 30 as the expiration date of terms of service regardless of month of formal appointment of members of boards and commissions. (Currently the Charter provides for termination of board and commission members.)	C6-00-4
55	Boards and Commissions	Establish a human resources clearing process for nominees to boards/commissions.	C6-00-3
122	Health Commission	Involve the Health Commission more actively in the appointment process of a Director of Health.	C5-40-4 {c}
123	Health Commission	Expand the authority of the Health Commission.	C6-100
125	Health Commission	Mandate funding for the Health Commission.	C6-100
69	Commissions/ Boards (possible elimination or merge)	Eliminate the Municipal Building Board of Appeals.	C6-70-2
94	Planning Board	Require Planning Board membership to have at least one member who is qualified in financial planning and capital debt management and at least one member who is qualified in sustainable urban planning. (The current Charter language does not address qualifications for membership on the Planning Board.)	C6-00-2 or C6-30-1 et seq
57	City Directors/Dir of HR	Elevate the Director of Human Resources to a cabinet position.	C5-10-1
59	City Directors/Dir of Public Safety	Impose minimum qualifications on the position of the Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare.	C5-40-1

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62	City Directors/Dir of Administration	Require the Director of Administration to report to both the Mayor and the Fiscal Committee of the Board of Representatives. (Currently, this position is a member of the Mayor's Cabinet and serve at his/her pleasure.)	C-5-50-1, et seq
60	City Directors/Director of Legal Affairs	Make the Director of Legal Affairs either a full time or contract position. (It is currently a part-time position in the Mayor's cabinet and serves at the pleasure of the Mayor.)	C5-20-1, et seq
91	Director of Legal Affairs/Corporation Counsel	Require the selection of a Director of Legal Affairs by a formal Request for Proposal. (Currently the Director of Legal Affairs is nominated by the Mayor and approved by the Board of Representatives.)	C5-20-3
58	City Directors/Interim or Acting	Require BOR approval of any "acting" or "interim" directors. (Under current Charter language the BOR only approves interim directors after they have served for 120 days.)	C5-10-2
89	Legal Representation	Clarify the scope of legal representation for elected and appointed officials. (The current Charter states Corporation Counsel is the legal officer for the City and its officials.)	C5-20-3
90	Legal Representation	Provide new language in cases of conflict of interest (two or more parties) to provide a mechanism for legal representation for each party. (The current Charter does not contain any provisions for this.)	C5-20-4
82	City Departments	Determine whether the Human Resources Department should remain under the Legal Department	C5-20-7
84	City Departments	Separate Parks & Recreation.	C5-30-5
144	City Directors et al	Require that the Controller report directly to the Director of Administration. (The Charter is currently non-specific as to whom the controller reports.)	C5-50-1 et seq
93	Environmental Protection	Review a reserved (empty) section, entitled "Environmental Protection Function."	C5-30-8
98	Transportation	Review the Transportation section.	C5-30-4
164	Air Quality	Establish a department within city government focusing on air quality issues.	
72	Elections	Impose term limits for elected officials.	C1-70-3
75	Elections	Stagger the terms of BOR.	C1-70-3
76	Elections	Reduce the term of office for members of BOR to 2 years beginning in 2013.	C1-70-3
111	Election/Board of Education	Make the BOE elections non-partisan.	C1-80-5
112	Election/Board of Education	Amend the BOE election process to ensure that candidates who receive the most votes are seated on the BOE.	C1-80-5
117	Board of Education	Clarify the role of BOR approval requirements for BOE labor contracts. (There is a proscribed process for the approval of all labor contracts.)	C2-10-2(9)

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118a	Board of Education	Allow the Mayor to appoint a designated Special Assistant to serve as a designee on the BOE with all of the powers and rights of the non-voting Mayor in the Mayor's absence. (The Mayor personally serves as a non-voting member of the Board of Ed.)	C1-80-1
118b	Board of Education	Provide the Mayor (or his/her designee) with voting rights on the Board of Education.	C1-80-1
119	Board of Education	Allow for possible future consolidation of City and Board of Education finance, purchasing and HR functions.	C6-10-1
120	Board of Education	Have the BOE Finance Director "functionally responsible" to City's Director of Administration or Controller.	C6-10-1
43	Condemnation & Disposition of Land	Eliminate this section (re: condemnation) and replace with an ordinance of the BOR.	C1-50-2
31	Classified & Unclassified Service	Confirm whether this provision is consistent with State law. (Relates to Classified Service rules re: discharge/reduction in rank.)	C5-20-10(9)
32	Classified & Unclassified Service	Determine whether attorneys and teachers are classified or unclassified City employees. (Relates to Classified Service rules re: discharge/reduction in rank.)	C5-20-15
135	Classified and Unclassified Service	Determine whether the current language in the Charter providing a certain procedure be followed when an employee is discharged or reduced in rank is consistent with state and federal law.	C5-20-10(9)
141b	Citizen's Bill of Rights - Ombudsman	Have the Customer Service Director assume the role of Ombudsman.	
141c	Citizen's Bill of Rights - Ombudsman	Have the Ombudsman/Citizens Service Director report to the Mayor's Office.	
113	Fire Service	Eliminate or change the provisions for fire service districts and boundaries as set forth in C5-40-3(d). (The Charter currently provides that the fire districts are established by a certain map on file with the City Clerk and that it can be amended by vote of the BOR.)	C5-40-3(d)
114	Fire Service	Change the jurisdiction of the Stamford Fire and Rescue Company (career firefighters), overlay the current volunteer districts and create a citywide volunteer fire fighter district.	C5-40-3(d)
		The Commission finds that the following charges are subject to legislative action by the Board of Representatives	
155	Ethics	Add a provision requiring recusal of an elected or appointed official on any Board or Commission from voting on items relating to the Ethics Board, including appropriations, in the event of an ongoing ethics investigation or charge concerning the official and precluding the official from voting on an issue if there is a conflict of interest.	
156	Ethics	Mandate funding for the Board of Ethics.	C2-10-1
157	Ethics	Mandating that certain provisions be included in the Code of Ethics.	

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158	Ethics	Provide that willful violation of the Open Records provisions would be a violation of the Code of Ethics and heard on an expedited basis.	
159	Ethics	Establish "whistleblowing" procedures and a hotline.	
160	Ethics	Prohibit all gifts and contributions from contractors two years before a contract and two years after the termination of a contract.	

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		The Commission recommends that a separate Charter Commission be empaneled to review the Pension Section in the Charter - No changes are recommended at this time.	
18	Pension	Require that the Mayor serve as a Trustee on the board of trustees for every city pension plan. (Currently, the Mayor is required only on the CERF Board.)	C7-10-1
17	Pension	Provide for designees for the Mayor, the Chair of the BOF and the President of the BOR and that the Chairperson of the CERF Pension Trust be elected by a majority vote of all Trustees (eliminating the requirement that the Mayor (or designee) automatically serve as Chair.	C7-30-3
20	Pension/CERF	Eliminate most of the Pension section of the Charter as the provisions are overridden by CT State Statute and collective bargaining agreements.	
22	Pension	Establish an oversight board over the existing four pension boards.	C7-10-1
23	Pension	Require all pension board members to have some level of pension training; or require that at least 1 member be a professional in the pension field.	C7-10-1 et seq
24	Pension	Forfeit the pension benefits of an employee upon "termination for cause."	C7-10-1 et seq.
25	Pension	Terminate all OPEB benefits to the fullest extent permitted by law and to the extent not permitted, apply least costly plan provisions and highest participant contribution percentages.	
26	Pension	Amend pension plans so that costs do not exceed Charter-specified limits.	C7-10-1 et seq
27	Pension	Prohibit any employee benefit plan with long-term implications not authorized by the Charter	C7-10-1 et seq
28	Pension	Require external, independent, operational audits of all pension plans retroactively to FY 2005 through FY 2012.	
29	Pension	Eliminate the Pay Plan (contained in Chapter 47 of the Code of Ordinances).	
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