

RESOLUTION NO. 095-2024(COTW), *First Reading*

By President Cuda

A Resolution expressing appreciation to the Charter Review Commission for their hard work, accepting their final report of recommendations, and concluding their commission; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2022, this Council adopted Resolution No. 175-2022 establishing a nine-member Charter Review Commission (CRC) charged with reviewing the City's Charter and developing recommendations for amendments to the Charter that the Commission may find necessary or advisable;

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2023, this Council adopted Resolution No. 203-2023 extending the deadline for the CRC to submit a report of its review and recommendations to Council until May 31, 2024;

WHEREAS, the members of the Charter Review Commission spent hundreds of hours reviewing the Charter, looking at other cities' charters, researching policy, interviewing many current and former City officials, interviewing elected officials of other city governments and holding two community meetings to gather resident input; and

WHEREAS, the members of the CRC have prepared a detailed proposed amended charter and report with all due diligence and have presented it to Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Council with gratitude accepts the CRC's report of its review and recommendations to Council submitted on May 31, 2024;

SECTION 2. Council expresses appreciation for the hard work, dedication, and diligence of the CRC's commissioners, Chair Linda Striefsky, Vice Chair Jonathan Ciesla, Secretary Graham Ball, Roland Anglin, Stephanie Morris, Graig Kluge, Drew Herzig, Harriet Applegate, and Guy Thellian.

SECTION 3. Having performed the duties with which it was charged, the CRC is hereby dissolved.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

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SECTION 6. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for the efficient operation of the City. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.



TONY CUDA
President of Council



ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: June 3, 2024

Presented to Mayor: 06/06/2024

Approved: 06/13/2024



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Mayor