

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: 05/02/05
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Subject: Amending the Appointee Procedures for Commission/Committee
Members

Report By: Jacqueline L. Bucholz, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION

Consider whether to refer to the Charter Review Committee the question of 1) Changing the term of an appointee; and 2) Establishing a policy that an appointee can only serve on one Commission/Committee at a time.

BACKGROUND

Council Member Maris would like the Charter Review Committee to look at the above two items and make a recommendation back to Council for possible Charter Amendment for the term of an appointee and for establishment of a City Council policy for serving on only one Commission/Committee.

Pursuant to Section 3.23 of the City Charter all members of City Commissions, Boards & Committees who are appointed by a Council Member shall be appointed to a term concurrent with the Council Member's term, which is four (4) years.

Council Member Maris is suggesting that each Council Member would make an appointment for a period of two (2) years; at the conclusion of two years, the member could be removed without cause or reappointed.

Council Member Maris believes that the Council should have the option to remove an individual after two (2) years without cause, as Commissions and Committees change and there might be a more appropriate appointee.

Council Member Maris would also like the Charter Review Committee to look at establishing a policy to prohibit an individual to be appointed to more than one Commission/Committee at a time; such policy could be established by Council resolution or ordinance.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None