



Program #10010B - Charter Review Committee Support 5/2/2022

Department: Nondepartmental **Program Contact:** Dani Bernstein
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

The Multnomah County Charter Review Committee, comprised of a group of county residents, began meeting in September 2022 to study the county charter and, if necessary, will propose amendments to the charter to appear on the 2022 primary and/or general election ballots.

Program Summary

The Multnomah County Home Rule Charter provides that every six years, a Charter Review Committee will be convened for the purpose of making a comprehensive study of the Charter and, if it chooses, to submit Charter amendments to the voters of Multnomah County. The county Charter is like our local constitution, creating the structure of county government and outlining the county’s powers.

The Charter Review Committee is charged with studying the Charter by all appropriate means including open hearings and meetings, the taking of testimony and interviews. The committee’s meetings are open to the public. Members of the committee were selected by the state senators and representatives of their senatorial districts.

The committee is required to present a report to the people and the Board of County Commissioners that includes their findings, conclusions, and recommendations including any amendments the committee proposes to the Charter. All amendments proposed by the committee will be submitted to the voters of Multnomah County at the 2022 primary or general election.

The committee began meeting in September 2021 and must conclude its work by August 2022. As required by Charter, the Office of Community Involvement convenes the meetings of the Charter Review Committee. The office has dedicated staff to provide support and technical assistance at all committee and subcommittee meetings, assist the committee with research, develop communications to keep the public informed of the committee’s work, ensure the committee meets all required deadlines, and support the committee to be inclusive, accessible and elevate the voices of communities most impacted by county programs and services.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Number of CRC meetings and subcommittee meetings	N/A	15	25	4
Outcome	Public testimony received verbally or in writing	N/A	25	25	10
Output	Updates posted to county’s public website & social media on work of CRC	N/A	10	20	5

Performance Measures Descriptions

Performance measure 1 captures the work to support the committee’s comprehensive study of the county charter. Performance measures 2 and 3 capture the work to inform and engage the public in the work of the committee and the charter review process.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County Home Rule Charter Chapter 12.40. The County Charter states that the Office of Community Involvement will convene the meetings of the Charter Review Committee, and that the commission “shall appropriate sufficient funds for the Office of Citizen Involvement to carry out its duties herein.”

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$92,180	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
Contractual Services	\$19,650	\$0	\$23,954	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$20,980	\$0	\$1,046	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$132,810	\$0	\$50,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$132,810		\$50,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 10010B Charter Review Committee Support