

# City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal Building 300 W. Washington Street Greensboro, NC 27401

# **Legislation Text**

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Resolution of Intent to Consider an Ordinance Amending the Charter of the City Of Greensboro to Retain the Current Form of Government and to Change the Term of Office from Two to Four Years and to Submit this Plan to a Referendum

Department: Legislative Council District: All

Public Hearing: n/a Advertising Date/By: n/a

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# **PURPOSE**:

To consider adoption of a resolution of intent to consider an Ordinance amending the City of Greensboro Charter to change the term for both the City Council members and the Mayor from two years to four years and to submit this proposed change in the Greensboro Charter to a binding resolution.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 1983 the City of Greensboro adopted a City Council election system of one (1) Council member elected from each of its five (5) districts, three (3) Council members elected at-large, and one (1) Mayor elected at large. The system adopted in 1983 is commonly referred to as the 5-3-1 system. The City Council of Greensboro adopted a legislative agenda on January 20, 2015, which expressed support for extending the term of office for Council members and the Mayor from two years to four years. The General Assembly has authorized municipalities in the State of North Carolina to alter their form of government and to make any change effective if approved by a vote of the people by special election.

# **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There is not budget impact for this item.

# **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

City Council is being requested to consider adoption of the proposed resolution.