

"SCHEDULE A"

A copy of the Final Report of the Charter Revision Commission of the City of Norwich dated May 18, 2015 is attached hereto.

The Council of the City of Norwich shall act upon the following three sections:

I. The Council of the City of Norwich approves the Charter changes in their entirety as recommended in the Charter Revision Commission Draft Report dated March 16, 2015 and Final Report dated May 18, 2015.

YES _____ NO _____

APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

II. The Council of the City of Norwich rejects the Charter changes in their entirety as recommended in the Charter Revision Commission Draft Report dated March 16, 2015 and Final Report dated May 18, 2015.

YES _____ NO _____

APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

III. The Council of the City of Norwich approves or rejects the Charter changes as recommended in the Charter Revision Commission Draft Report dated March 16, 2015 and the Final Report dated May 18, 2015 by actions as follows:

a. Chapter IV., Elections, Sec. 8 – Registrars of voters and justices of the peace.

The term for registrars of voters shall be increased from two years to four years.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

b. Chapter V., The Council, Sec. 2 – Officers (a) Mayor.

(1) Paragraph (a) shall be modified to provide that the Mayor is no longer mandated to attend all state, regional and national conferences for mayors, but may attend the same.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

(2) Paragraph (a) shall be amended to provide that the Mayor shall be an “ex officio” **non-voting** member of all commissions and committees created by the city council, rather than an “ex-officio” voting member of those bodies.

(3) Paragraph (a) shall be modified so as to abolish the position of Economic Development Coordinator.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

c. Chapter V., The Council, Sec. 2 – Officers (b) Other officers.

Paragraph (b) shall be amended to provide that the position of the president pro tempore be abolished to be replaced by that of deputy mayor. Further, the position of deputy mayor shall be determined to be the alderman who has received the highest number of votes in a general election. In the event of a tie vote, the council shall elect a deputy mayor from the two aldermen tied for the highest vote in the general election.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

d. Chapter VI., City Manager, Sec. 4 – Power of appointment and removal.

This section shall be amended to give the city manager the power to restructure or reorganize any department of the City of Norwich, the head of which is appointed by him, to include the elimination, addition or separation of divisions of any department.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

e. Chapter VII., Budget, Sec. 17 – Scope of capital budget.

(1) This section shall be amended to require the annual tax levy to fund the Capital Improvement Fund of the City of Norwich to be two percent of the general fund budget from the previous fiscal year.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

(2) The following language in this section shall be deleted: **“The proceeds of such levies shall be kept by the city treasurer in special bank accounts until invested as provided in chapter IX of this charter.”**

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

f. Chapter VIII., Borrowing, Sec. 3 – Term and form of bonds and notes.

The language in this section which establishes specific requirements for the issuance of bonds and notes shall be amended. In place of existing language, the following shall be added: **“The terms, conditions, details and particulars of issuance of bonds and notes of the city shall be determined in accordance with the Connecticut statutes and law.”**

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

g. Chapter VIII., Borrowing, Sec. 4 – Bonds and notes, how authorized.

This section shall be amended to exclude from the \$800,000 threshold referendum provision those general obligation bonds for which the city council and public utility commissioners have entered into a payment agreement.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

h. Chapter IX., Financial Administration, Sec. 2 – Comptroller.

This section shall be amended to provide that the comptroller shall continue to submit public financial statements on a monthly basis to the chief

executive officer, but such financial statements need not be available at the first regular meeting in each month of the city council.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

i. Chapter IX., Financial Administration, Sec. 6 – Collection of taxes.

This section shall be amended to eliminate the provision that calls for a possible discount on taxes if the first installment is paid on or before the first business day in August.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

j. Chapter IX., Financial Administration, Sec. 10 – Competitive bidding.

(1) This section shall be amended so that the rules and regulations for competitive bidding apply to all single expenditures of more than twenty five thousand dollars, or such higher amount as may be allowed by the general statutes.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

(2) This section shall be amended to correct a typographical error so that the complete record of all bids shall be preserved, not reserved, for not less than six years in a file which shall be open to public inspection.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

k. Chapter IX., Financial Administration, Sec. 20 – Disbursements.

This section shall be amended to permit disbursements as approved by the treasurer to be made from any funds of the city by any commercially acceptable method and no longer limited to checks signed by the treasurer.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

l. Chapter XI., Department of Public Works, Sec. 1 – Department of public works.

(1) This section shall be amended to require that the department of public works be responsible for providing the heat, light and janitorial care of all city-owned properties under the jurisdiction of the police department.

YES_____ NO_____ APPROVED_____ REJECTED_____

(2) This section shall be amended to recognize that the department of public works shall no longer have charge of street lighting and house numbering.

YES_____ NO_____ APPROVED_____ REJECTED_____

m. Chapter XI., Department of Public Works, Sec. 2 – Director of public works.

This section shall be amended to delete the requirement that the director of public works obtain the advice of the heads of the respective divisions before appointing or removing officers and employees of the public works department.

YES_____ NO_____ APPROVED_____ REJECTED_____

n. Chapter XI., Department of Public Works, Sec. 5 – Engineering.

This section shall be amended to provide that the city engineer shall have custody of all maps not specifically entrusted to other officials by the chief executive officer of the city.

YES_____ NO_____ APPROVED_____ REJECTED_____

o. Chapter XI., Department of Public Works, Sec. 8 – Cemeteries.

This section shall be amended to provide that the chief executive officer of the city, through the director of public works, rather than through the superintendent of parks and cemeteries, shall have the power and duty of

carrying out and administering all cemetery trusts and to care for and maintain all cemetery properties under the control of the city.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

p. Chapter XII., Utilities, Sec. 11 – Contracts, leases, and agreements.

This section shall be amended to permit the board of public utilities commissioners to enter into contracts, leases, and agreements for terms of not more than twenty-five years, thereby increasing the maximum time period from the current ten years.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____

q. Chapter XIII., Public Welfare, Sec. 1 – Board of education.

The language in this section shall be amended so that members of the Board of education will serve for a term of four years and that the terms for members will be staggered so that, biennially, the number of seats up for election will alternate between five positions and four positions.

YES _____ NO _____ APPROVED _____ REJECTED _____