

Special Council Meeting – December 7, 2020

At a Special City Council Meeting on December 7th, the current council members formally accepted the results of the November 3rd Edgewater election for council members and Charter Amendments.

Ms. Gigi Bennington, who ran unopposed, will become the representative for Council District 2. Mr. Jonah Powers was elected to be Council Representative for District 4 which includes Edgewater Landing. The four-year terms for these members are effective starting with the monthly meeting on December 7, 2020.

The follow Charter Amendments were adopted per voter approval:

- #1 – New council members will complete municipal government training programs.
- #2 -- The charter will be amended to state current salaries for council members, provide for annual CPI adjustments, limit ordinances adjusting council member salaries to every five years and provide for payment of expenses incurred in performance of duties of the office.
- #4 -- Requires city employees to resign from city employment if elected to city office.
- #5 -- Requires a minimum of 3 votes of council members to hire or terminate a city manager.
- #6 -- Prohibits employment of relatives of the city manager
- #7 -- Requires a minimum of 3 votes of council members to hire or terminate a city attorney.
- #8 -- Requires a minimum of 3 votes of council members to hire or terminate a city clerk.
- #9 – Authorizes the city council to exclude citizen comments when meeting under executive order issued by the Governor during a state of emergency.

Amendment #3, allowing an increase of borrowing limits from .75% to 1%, was voted down by Edgewater residents.