

RESOLUTION NUMBER _____
INITIATING CHARTER REVISION

WHEREAS, Section C1-40-5 of the Charter of the City of Stamford provides that a mandatory review of all the provisions of and amendments to the Charter shall be undertaken at ten-year intervals by a Charter Revision Commission to be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, said section further provides that such review shall be conducted by a Charter Revision Commission which shall be appointed not later than the regular February meeting of the Board of Representatives in 2002, and each successive ten year period; and

WHEREAS, Home Rule Law (C.G.S. §7-188) provides that any action by a municipality to adopt or amend a charter shall be initiated by a resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of the appointing authority of such municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Stamford to initiate said review of the City of Stamford Charter at this time; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives has heard from the public that they prefer revisions from the 19th Charter Revision Commission be separated into multiple questions on the ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives has heard from the public that they prefer revisions from the 19th Charter Revision Commission be put on the 2024 ballot; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives recognizes the hard work of the many volunteers involved in the 19th Charter Revision Commission and recognizes that it is possible that no additional work is needed to further revise the Final Draft of the 19th Charter Revision Commission; and

WHEREAS, that Final Draft from the 19th Charter Revision Commission can be put forth to the public for referendum by a 20th Charter Revision Commission with the intent to make the process efficient and cost effective to all those involved; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives has the intention to put that Final Draft of the 19th Charter Revision Commission to the public for referendum, via a 20th Charter Revision Commission, with multiple questions on the ballot and in the 2024 election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 31ST BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section C1-40-5 of the City of Stamford Charter, and in accordance with the provisions of § 7-188 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the process of charter revision is hereby initiated.
2. This resolution shall take effect upon enactment.

