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DATE: June 23, 2020

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk

SUBJECT

Hayward City Charter Amendment: Consider Proposed City Charter Amendment to Eliminate Qualified Elector/Citizenship Requirement for Service on Boards, Commissions, Committees, Task Forces, and Advisory Bodies

RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council considers a proposed City Charter amendment, to be submitted to the voters at the November 3, 2020 general municipal election, eliminating the current qualified elector/citizenship requirement for service on boards, commissions, committees, task forces, and advisory bodies. The Council may also consider submitting an amendment eliminating gender specific pronouns within the Charter language.

SUMMARY

The three Council-appointed officers, City Clerk, City Manager, and City Attorney, take the unusual step of asking the Council to consider submitting an amendment to the City Charter - Section 900 to voters at the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election. The proposed amendment would eliminate the requirement for U.S. citizenship as a criterion for service on the Council's appointed boards, commissions, committees, task forces and similar advisory bodies. This requirement has been part of the City Charter for over 60 years.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I Staff Report