



## ✓ **What is the Charter?**

The Charter lays out the framework and powers of city government. A provision in the Charter requires a comprehensive review by a Charter Revision Commission to occur once a decade.

## ✓ **What did the Charter Revision Commission recommend?**

The Commission recommended certain changes to the Charter. The recommended changes to the Charter were approved by the Board of Aldermen by a vote of 14-1, and approved by Mayor Paul Pernerewski. The recommended changes are now being submitted for the public to vote on. The full text of the recommended changes can be found on the city's website: <https://waterburyct.org/CRC-Report>

## ✓ **What is next?**

On the ballot for the November 5th election, there are three questions for voters to respond to.

- The first question addresses a state constitutional issue, not the Charter.
- The second question asks whether the Charter should be revised in accordance with the recommendations of the Charter Revision Commission.
- The third question asks if the Charter should be revised to eliminate the current requirement that candidates for mayor must have lived in the city for five years. A similar requirement in another Connecticut municipality was overturned by the Connecticut Superior Court.