

HOME RULE CHARTER

ARTICLE VIII – CHARTER AMENDMENT

Section 8.01 – **Proposal of Amendment.** Amendments to this Charter may be framed and proposed:

1. In the manner provided by law, or
2. By ordinance of the City Commission, containing the full text of the proposed amendment (except Sections 1.04, 1.05, 2.01, 2.02, 2.03 and 2.04 cannot be so amended) and shall be adopted and effective in the same manner as other ordinances.
3. By the voters of the city, following the initiative procedures set out in statute. Petitioners shall file the petition to initiate an amendment with the Finance Officer, who shall present it to the governing body at its first ensuing regular or special meeting. The governing body shall submit the initiated ordinance to a vote of the voters in the manner prescribed for a referendum.

Section 8.02 – **Adoption of Amendment.** If a majority of the registered voters of the city voting upon a proposed charter amendment vote in favor of it, the amendment shall become effective at the time fixed in the amendment, or if no time is therein fixed, immediately after the initial canvas certifying its adoption by the voters.