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<p>§ C-404 Procedures, Section B.</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review removal of Section 404 B – Work Sessions are no longer utilized by the Town Council.</p>	<p>B. The Council may call at its discretion "work session" meetings to discuss and review pending legislation and may consider other items of concern to the Town or its citizenry. The Council's rules of procedure will determine the conduct of these meetings. No votes may be taken at a work session meeting except to adjourn or to go into executive session.</p>
<p>§C-604 , C-605, C-606 & C-608</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review recommended removal of membership amounts from Charter Language for various commissions.</p> <p>Recommends that the Town Council & Parks Board discuss the inclusion of membership in Chapter 305 of the Code to ensure membership is outlined prior to possible passage of the Charter revision.</p>	<p>§ C-604 Board of Assessment Appeals. There shall be a Board of Assessment Appeals <u>consisting of three members</u> which shall have all the powers and duties conferred upon it by the Connecticut General Statutes or by ordinance. Members shall be appointed by the Council for staggered terms of four years. The members of the Board of Assessment Appeals shall receive such per diem compensation as the Council may determine consistent with the Connecticut General Statutes.</p> <p>§ C-605 Board of Parks and Recreation. There shall be a Board of Parks and <u>Recreation consisting of 11 members</u> which shall determine the uses of Town parks and public greens, and such other public grounds as the Council may direct; shall recommend to the Council the acquisition and development of new parks and recreational places; shall plan and arrange recreational facilities and programs for the Town; and shall have such other powers and duties as may be conferred upon it by ordinance. Members shall be appointed by the Council for staggered terms of four years.</p> <p>§ C-606 Development Commission. There shall be a Development Commission <u>consisting of nine regular members and three alternate members</u> which shall have the powers and duties conferred upon it by the Connecticut General Statutes or by ordinance. Members shall be appointed by the Council for staggered terms of three years. The Development Commission shall have such professional, technical and clerical assistance as the Council may determine, to be appointed by the Manager in accordance with Article IX of this Charter.</p> <p>§ C-608 Commission on Aging and Disabled. There shall be a Commission on Aging and Disabled <u>consisting of nine members</u> whom shall have the powers and duties conferred upon it by ordinance. The Commission on Aging and Disabled shall have such clerical assistance as the Council may determine, to be appointed in accordance with the provisions of Article IX of this Charter.</p>

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<p>§C-711, Department of Police, Section C</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review removal and update of Dog Warden to statutory title Animal Control Officer</p>	<p>C. All police officers of the Department shall have the same powers and duties with respect to the service of criminal process and enforcement of criminal laws as are vested in police officers by the Connecticut General Statutes. The duties of Dog Warden as provided in the Connecticut General Statutes shall be under the jurisdiction of the Department of Police. The Chief of Police shall appoint and may remove the Dog Warden in accordance with the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes. The Chief of Police shall be the executive officer of the Department of Police; with the approval of the Manager he/she shall appoint and may remove, in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Article IX of this Charter, all other officers and employees of the Department and make rules and regulations concerning the operation of the Department and the discipline and the conduct of all officers and employees thereof.</p>
<p>§ C-608 Commission on Aging and Disabled. §C-606 Development Commission</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review recommended removal of proposed language outlining commission duties, as included in Draft Report/Draft Charter.</p> <p>Recommend that the Town Council review existing Code language in Chapter 8, Article VIII, to include the removed language within the Code.</p>	<p>There shall be a Development Commission consisting of nine regular members and three alternate members which shall have the powers and duties conferred upon it by the Connecticut General Statutes or by ordinance. Members shall be appointed by the Council for staggered terms of three years. The Development Commission shall have such professional, technical and clerical assistance as the Council may determine, to be appointed by the Manager in accordance with Article IX of this Charter. <u>The Development Commission may conduct research into economic conditions and trends within the municipality, recommend actions to improve the economic conditions and development within town. They may seek to coordinate the activities of and coordinate with unofficial bodies organized to promote development. The Development Commission may advertise, print and distribute pamphlets and other media that will further its official purposes. The Development Commission shall annually prepare and transmit to the Town Council, a report of the activities and recommendations for improving the economic conditions and development.</u></p>
<p>Full Charter Language</p> <p>Reject</p>	<p>Review and determine appropriate definition(s) to add for “shall” and “may” in the Charter</p>	

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<p>§C-412 Removals and Suspensions</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review language and update to indicate the “Mayor and a member of the opposing party” when an individual requests a private hearing. (New Section C-412, C)</p>	<p>C. The Town Council may remove individuals appointed to non-elected boards and commissions, once an appointee no longer meets the qualification to serve, but not before making a reasonable effort to contact the individual, by mail, email or phone, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Residency - The individual is no longer an Elector or Resident of the Town of Newington; 2. Attendance - The individual has failed to attend at least 75% of the Regular meetings held during a calendar year, unless excused. <p>Any appointee shall have the opportunity to an appeal hearing with the Town Council, which may be held in private or public. Should attendance issues be of a personal and private nature, the appointee may request a meeting with <u>Mayor and Minority Leader</u> to review the matter, and a recommendation shall be supplied to the Town Council.</p>
<p>§C-710 Department of Senior and Disabled Services</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review language to add “municipal agent for elderly <u>and disabled</u> persons.”</p>	<p>There shall be a Department of Senior and Disabled Center Services consisting of the Director of Senior and Disabled Center Services and such other employees as the Council may determine. The Director of Senior and Disabled Center Services shall supervise the Department and shall have such powers and duties as conferred by the Connecticut General Statutes and shall have such additional powers and duties that are prescribed by the Council or by the Manager. The Director of Senior and Disabled Center Services shall be responsible for the overall administration of a senior and disabled citizens center and the programs, services and staff provided at or by the Department of Senior and Disabled Center Services. The Director of Senior and Disabled Center Services shall be the Town's <u>municipal agent for elderly persons.</u></p>

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<p>§C-403 Organization</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review vote language and possible revision to read “ ..and only one vote, “</p>	<p>Each newly elected Council shall meet in the Town Hall, <u>at a time to be determined during the adoption of the annual meeting schedule, 8:007:00 p.m.</u> on the Tuesday following its election. The meeting shall be called to order by the Town Clerk who shall administer the oath of office to all members. In the absence of the Town Clerk the meeting may be called to order and the oath administered by any elector of Newington authorized by law to administer oaths. The newly elected Mayor shall then assume the chair as presiding official of the Council and shall designate a Deputy Mayor from among the members of the Council to preside in the absence of the Mayor. In the event that both the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor are absent or unable to perform their duties, such duties shall be performed during the period of their absence or disability by a member chosen by the Council. The presiding official, whether the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, or member chosen by the Council, shall have one vote, but only one vote, on each matter voted by the Council. The rules adopted by the preceding Council shall be the rules of the newly elected Council until the adoption of permanent rules.</p>

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<p>§ C-408 <i>Obligatory Referendum and Ordinance.</i></p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review language in last sentence and consider revising to remove run-on language. "...and not by general taxation. <u>Such Bond or note...</u>"</p>	<p>No resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds or notes, other than notes in the amount of \$375,000 or less, and no resolution making a special appropriation in excess of \$975,000-1.50% of the General Fund Appropriation in the current year, shall become effective until the same has been approved by a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at a regular election, <u>special election</u> or referendum called by the Council for that purpose. Any special appropriation up to of \$975,000 <u>1.50% of the General Fund Appropriation</u>, or less; but in excess of \$375,000 shall be passed by ordinance. <u>Any Special Appropriation, in an amount not to exceed \$375,000, shall be passed by Resolution of the Town Council. No more than two (2) Special Appropriations may be authorized by the Town Council, pursuant to this section, during a single Fiscal Year. A Special Appropriation shall be any appropriation, other than the main support appropriation in a budget act or adoption. A Standing Appropriation is the authority to determine a predetermined annual dollar amount, for an activity, for a specific period of time, and shall be passed by ordinance. Said standing appropriations may be used to fund Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), which are established by the Town Manager and approved by the Town Council during the budget adoption process. Such funding shall conform to the financial parameters, of not less than \$375,000.00, but not in excess of 1.50% of the General Appropriation Expenditures for the current Fiscal Year.</u> A referendum shall not be mandatory when such bond or note authorization, or such special appropriation, shall be for an emergency purpose to protect the public peace, health and safety, or shall be to finance a street, sewer or other improvement to be paid for by a special assessment and not by general taxation; <u>provided however, that such bond</u> or note authorization or special appropriation for emergency purposes shall require not less than six affirmative votes of the Council.</p>

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<p>§ C-410 Right of Referendum on Ordinances</p> <p>Accept</p>	<p>Review proposed change to existing language to clarify filing and review process “...Registry List. which petition shall be filed with <u>The Town Clerk</u> who shall within 10 days, of the petition filing, determine whether...”</p>	<p>Electors shall have the right to petition for a referendum in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes on any ordinance passed by the Council, except an emergency ordinance, or a special appropriation in the amount of \$375,000 or more. A referendum must be held when there shall be filed with the Town Clerk, within 15 days of the published notice of the passage of the ordinance, a petition signed by qualified electors in number equal to 5% or more of the total number of electors whose names appear upon the last completed Registry List, <u>which petition shall be filed with the Town Clerk</u> who shall within 10 days determine whether or not the petition contains a sufficient number of valid signatures, and if it does, shall so certify to the Council. The ordinance shall not then take effect until the Council has submitted it to a referendum, which shall be held not less than 20 nor more than 30 days after the filing of such petition, except this referendum may be held at a Town election or general election if the same occurs not less than 10 days nor more than 30 days after the filing of the petition. The ordinance shall be null and void in the event that a majority of the electors voting thereon, such majority consisting of at least 10% of the qualified electors of the Town, shall vote in opposition to the ordinance. Otherwise it shall take effect immediately following the referendum.</p>