ORDINANCE NO. 2023-16

Introduced by: Joe Dike

AN ORDINANCE TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY A PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO TO ADOPT SECTION 12.10, PERIODIC CHARTER REVIEW.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XVIII, Section 7 of the Ohio Constitution, the City of Huron ("City") is governed by the Charter for the City of Huron, Ohio and is entitled to exercise all powers of local self-government.

WHEREAS, the City does not currently have any regular process or procedure to review the Charter and recommend any alterations, revisions, or amendments as may be necessary or appropriate in light of changing laws, technologies, or societal standards.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XVIII, Section 9 of the Ohio Constitution, the City, upon a two-thirds vote of its Council, may submit proposed amendments to its Charter to the electors of the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XVIII, Section 8 of the Ohio Constitution, the City may establish a Charter Review Commission to periodically review the Charter and recommend alterations, revisions, or amendments to the Charter to be approved by Council and voted upon by the electors of the City; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and consultation with the City Manager, the Law Director, and members of the public, the Council finds that the residents of the City would be well-served by amending the Charter to adopt Section 12.10, Periodic Charter Review, and to place such proposed Amendment before the electorate of the City to be voted upon at the next regularly scheduled general election in November.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON, OHIO:

Section 1: That Council, by at least a two-thirds vote of its members, hereby proposes to amend the Charter of the City of Huron, Ohio by adopting Section 12.10, Periodic Charter Review, which shall be as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 2: That Counsel hereby submits to the electors of the City, the following question: shall the City Charter be amended to adopt Section 12.10, Periodic Charter Review.

Section 3: That the question set forth in Section 2 be and hereby is known as "Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1, Periodic Charter Review."

Section 4: That upon final passage of this Ordinance, the Clerk is directed to serve a certified copy of this Ordinance, along with the text of the proposed Section 12.10 Periodic Charter Review, upon the board of elections for Erie County, Ohio.

Section 5: That the board of elections for Erie County, Ohio, is hereby requested to place the question set forth in Section 2 upon the ballot to be submitted to the electors as provided for herein.

Section 6: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Monty Tapp, Mayor

ATTEST

Clerk of Council

ADOPTED: 7-25-23