

Resolution No 5 for 1932

WHEREAS at the primary election to be held next Friday, May 20, a Charter Amendment is to be voted on which provides for the election of all City officers by direct vote of the people, and

Whereas at the present time the Council elects the Marshal, City Attorney, City Engineer, Health officer and Night watch, and

Whereas under the proposed Charter Amendment the office of Street Superintendent will be independent of the office of City Marshal, thus making one additional office for which a salary will have to be provided, and

Whereas if the said Charter Amendment passes there ~~is no provision for the length of the terms of office of said officers~~ ~~fixes~~ are several other sections of the charter that will have to be amended so that the proposed Amendment can be made effective; One instance being that the charter will not provide for the length of the terms of office of the officers proposed by the Charter amendment to be made elective, and

Whereas if the said officer are elected by the people rather than by the Council, they will not be subject to the orders of the Council and can not be discharged by the Council even though inefficient or derelict in their duty.

The Council therefore deems it to the best interest of the people of the City that the proposed amendment to the charter be defeated.

Therefore be it resolved that the sense of the Council be that said amendment should be defeated.

Passed by the Council this 17th day of May, 1932.

H. P. Kirkpatrick
Mayor

Attest E. H. Wetman

Recorder.