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CITY COUNCIL  
CHICOPEE, MA

September 28, 2023

TO: The City Council  
FROM: Mayor John L. Vieau

To the City Council:

Pursuant to Section 13 of the Chicopee City Charter, at the request of the City Council, I have called a special meeting of the City Council to meet on Tuesday evening, October 3, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium, 274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA or via Zoom Meeting, call in (see attached)

## Question 1

Shall the term of office of the Mayor of the City of Chicopee be four years?

### Question 1 Summary

This is a non-binding question aimed at gaining the public's perspective on the issue. The City Council is considering amending the term of office for Mayor from two years to four years effective at the start of the next Mayoral term beginning January 2026. Chapter 144 of the Special Acts of 1917 defines the term of office for Mayor of Chicopee as two years. To be changed, the City must hold an election for a Charter Commission, or the City Council must pass a home rule petition to be sent to the state legislature and Governor for adoption.

## Question 2

Shall At-Large City Councilors serve four-year terms with two being elected every two years?

### Question 2 Summary

This is a non-binding question aimed at gaining the public's perspective on the issue. The City Council is considering amending the term of At-Large City Councilors from two years to four years. The municipal election in the year of 2025 would provide the two candidates receiving the highest vote totals with a four year term, and the other two elected with two year terms. Those two-year term seats would then be up for election in the 2027 municipal election with a set term of four years. The At-Large Councilors would then be set with four-year terms. Chapter 10 of the City Charter defines the term of office for all City Councilors as two years. To be changed, the City must hold an election for a Charter Commission or the City Council must pass a home rule petition to be sent to the state legislature and Governor for adoption.

Thank you for your time and consideration concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
John L. Vieau  
Mayor

ATT: Agnes Czarniecki

CITY OF CHICOPEE MAYOR'S OFFICE

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# Notice of Meeting

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25 of the General Laws of a meeting of the:

## City Council Special Meeting

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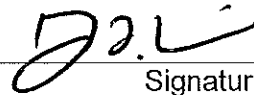
Name of the board, Committee, Commission, Authority, Etc.)

The meeting will be held at: 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday  
October 3, 2023

The location of the meeting will be: City Hall Auditorium or via zoom

Full description of location: 274 Front Street

Purpose of the meeting: A. See attached agenda



Signature

Mayor

Title

September 29, 2023

(to be completed by signing authority)

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