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XENIA CITY COUNCIL SEEKS CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION MEMBERS

Xenia, Ohio (February 14, 2019) – The Xenia City Charter was originally adopted on August 30, 1917, and was re-adopted in its entirety on November 3, 1998. The Charter has not been reviewed in its entirety since that time. To ensure the Charter is being comprehensively reviewed every five (5) years and that any necessary changes are presented to Xenia voters, Xenia City Council voted to put a Charter Amendment on the November 6, 2018, ballot to create Section 8.05 of the City Charter to create a Charter Review Commission, which was approved.

Council is now accepting cover letters and resumes from those interested in volunteering to serve on the Charter Review Commission, which will consist of five (5) to eleven (11) members. Xenia City Council will appoint up to nine (9) members with two (2) members being current members of City Council. The City Manager and Finance Director may serve as advisors to the Commission and the Law Director will serve as legal counsel to the Commission. Selected Commission members shall be registered voters of the City of Xenia, will serve without compensation, and can hold no other office or employment in the government of the City of Xenia.

The Charter Review Commission is charged with the duty of reviewing the present Charter of the City of Xenia for the purpose of recommending to City Council amendments, if any, to be submitted to the electors of the City for approval. When a final recommendation is submitted to City Council, the Commission shall be dissolved. Those appointed should expect to serve for a one-year period and meet one to two times per month. If any amendments are recommended by the Commission and approved by City Council, it is likely that those changes would appear on a ballot in 2020.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume to Michelle Johnson, Xenia City Clerk, 107 E. Main Street, Xenia, 45385 or email mjohnson@ci.xenia.oh.us.

Council desires a minimum of five (5) Commission members to be appointed by March 14, 2019, with the Commission conducting its first meeting within 30 days of appointment. To meet this deadline, those interested should apply no later than March 1, 2019.

For more information, visit www.eXploreXenia.com and search for “Charter Review Commission.”