

NEW ROCHELLE, NEW YORK
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CITY CHARTER
ARTICLE III, SECTION 12, CITY CLERK

NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of New Rochelle, New York, will hold a Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Charter of the City of New Rochelle and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 515 North Avenue, New Rochelle, New York, on Monday, September 12, 2016, at 7:00 P. M., on a proposed ordinance, as follows:

ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III, THE COUNCIL AND MAYOR, SECTION 12, CITY CLERK, OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCHELLE.

WHEREAS, presently the City Clerk is appointed by and takes direction from the Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk is only able to function effectively as an integrated part of the larger City Administration; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of administrative merit and efficiency, it is recommended that the City Charter be revised to place the Clerk's office under the jurisdiction of the City Manager, like every other department; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City of New Rochelle:

Section 1. Article III, The Council and Mayor, Section 12. City Clerk, of the Charter of the City of New Rochelle, is hereby amended as follows:

The [Council] City Manager shall appoint a City Clerk who shall hold office at the pleasure of the [Council] City Manager. The City Clerk shall attend all meetings of the Council and keep its records. The City shall have the custody of the City Seal and shall affix the same to such documents as action by the Council may require. The City Clerk shall transmit to the City Manager, in duplicate, within two days after their adoption, certified copies of all ordinances of the Council. The City Clerk may appoint, to hold office during his pleasure, a deputy and such other subordinates as the Council may prescribe.

The City Clerk shall act as clerk of elections, as the Registrar of Vital Statistics and shall discharge such other duties as may be prescribed by law or by the Council.

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

The purpose of the proposed legislation is to have the City Clerk's Office operate under the jurisdiction of the City Manager and be able to function effectively as an integrated part of the larger City Administration as opposed to taking direction from the Mayor and City Council.

All persons interested are invited to attend said Public Hearing or submit written communications to the City Clerk at or before the Public Hearing.

By order of the City Council dated July 12, 2016, pursuant to Resolution No 151.

Bennie F. Giles, III, City Clerk