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Proposed Charter Amendment City of Wooster:

This amendment, if passed would:

- a. Changes the title of the Mayor's position on the Board of Governors from "President" to Chairperson and adds feminine pronouns.
- b. Removes the requirement that City Council approve Hospital ranges of Compensation as it is duplicative of their duty to approve the Hospital budget.
- c. Clarifies the duties and definition of the position of "Vice President of Fiscal Affairs".
- d. Eliminates term limits for members of the Wooster Community Hospital Board of Governors in order to create parity between Township and City board members.

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

Shall Article X and IV of the Charter of the City of Wooster be changed and amended as follows:

ARTICLE X
WOOSTER COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

SECTION 10.02. BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

The Municipal Hospital shall be operated, managed and controlled by a Board of Governors comprised of six members consisting of the Mayor, who by virtue of his *or her* office shall be its ***Chairperson*** ~~president~~, and five electors of the City, at least one of whom shall be a doctor of medicine, to be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the Council each for a term of four years. A vacancy in the office of any appointed member shall be filled in like manner for the unexpired term of such office. Where the City has entered in a participatory agreement with a joint township hospital district board or with a board of county commissioners concerning the involvement of such district or county in the erection or enlargement of the Hospital, the maintenance and operation thereof, or both, the membership of the Board of Governors shall be expanded to include such representatives appointed by the participating district or county board as may be provided for in any such agreement.

A majority of the members of the Board of Governors, ~~as it may be expanded~~, shall constitute a quorum. Such Board may establish such by-laws and regulations governing its procedures, and may elect such officers other than president, as its members determine. Members shall be entitled to such compensation for their services as may be established by the Council or, where the City has entered into a participatory agreement with a joint township hospital district board or with a board of county commissioners, as may be provided for in such agreement.

SECTION 10.03. POWERS AND DUTIES OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

Subject to ordinances of Council and, where the City has entered into a participatory agreement with a joint township hospital district board or with a board of county commissioners,

to any limitations set forth in such agreement, the Board of Governors shall have and be responsible for the management, operation and control of the Hospital and for the maintenance, repair, renovation, improvement, enlargement or expansion of Hospital facilities. In the exercise of such responsibilities, the Board shall be empowered, as it deems necessary or appropriate, to: (1) adopt rules for Hospital government and operation and for the admission of persons to Hospital privileges; (2) establish charges and rates for Hospital services; (3) employ an administrator, a professional medical staff and other administrative, professional and supportive personnel; (4) contract for, and authorize the expenditure of funds relating to, the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment and furnishings, and the performance of work and services, incidental to the operation and management of the Hospital or the maintenance, repair, renovation, improvement, enlargement or expansion of Hospital facilities except that purchases of real property which are not included in the annual appropriation ordinance shall be subject to City Council approval; and (5) manage, administer and authorize the expenditure of any funds or property donated, by deed of gift, devise or bequest, to the Hospital for Hospital purposes.

All Hospital personnel and staff employed by the Board of Governors shall be in the unclassified civil service of the City and the Board shall establish such procedures for the selection, promotion, demotion, discipline and dismissal of Hospital employees as it deems appropriate. The Board shall also fix the compensation and other conditions of employment for Hospital staff and personnel, ~~provided that the ranges of compensation for such Hospital employees shall be subject to approval of Council~~ **utilizing the Board of Governors' committee structure for review and available hospital compensation market data.**

All contracts made by the Board of Governors shall be executed in the name of the City by the chief administrative officer of the Hospital, or such other Hospital officer as may from time to time be designated by the Board, only after such contracts have been approved and such execution authorized by the resolution of the Board. In approving and authorizing such contracts, the Board shall comply with all applicable requirements governing the award of public contracts, including requirements relative to advertisement and formal bidding procedures, as are prescribed by this Charter or by Ordinance of Council or, when not prescribed by Charter or Ordinance, as provided by the general laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 10.04. FISCAL AFFAIRS.

~~The Director of Finance~~ ***Vice President of Fiscal Services***, as the chief fiscal officer of the City ***Wooster Community*** Hospital, shall, with respect to the Hospital, perform the functions and duties required of the ~~Director~~ ***chief financial officer of the Hospital and collaborate with the Director of Finance of the City pursuant to duties and functions as specified in*** pursuant to Section 4.034 of this Charter, ~~including the supervision of Hospital accounting, the custody and investment of Hospital funds, including funds donated to the Hospital, and the disbursement thereof upon the authorization of the Board of Governors. At the request of the Director of Finance, the Mayor may designate an officer or employee of the Hospital to exercise and discharge such duties and functions of the Director of Finance with respect to the financial affairs and operations of the Hospital as may be specified by the Mayor. Any such officer or employee so designated shall undertake to assume and perform the duties~~ ***The Vice President of Fiscal Services will be selected by a group consisting of the Mayor or his or her designee, the Hospital chief executive officer, the Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors, and the Finance Director. In the case of a tie in the selection process, the vote of the Mayor or his or her designee shall be considered as the tie-breaking vote. The Vice President of Fiscal Services***

~~will and functions to be assumed and performed duties by him only after first giving bond in such amount as may be established by ordinance of Council and shall thereafter serve, acting with the title of Deputy Director of Finance for Hospital Affairs, at the pleasure of the Mayor.~~
The Vice President of Fiscal Services and the Board of Governors shall assist the Mayor and Director of Finance in the preparation of those ***submit the Hospital*** portions of each ***City*** annual budget and appropriation ordinance, prepared pursuant to Article VI of this Charter, which concern the Hospital.

ARTICLE IV ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS AND COMMISSIONS

SECTION 4.06. COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS.

There shall be at least one member from each ward on any commission or board, except licensing boards, and where the total membership on the commission or board is less than the number of wards. Council shall adopt rules by which membership on a commission or board will be limited to no more than twelve (12) consecutive years per appointee. ***Appointments to the Wooster Community Hospital Board of Governors are specifically exempted from any limit on the number of years they may serve.***