Ordinance No. 3671 Passed: July 28, 2020

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORATE FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY CHARTER, SECTION 4.14, OF THE CITY OF WEST CARROLLTON, OHIO.

WHEREAS, the City Council appointed a Charter Review Commission which has met and thoroughly reviewed the West Carrollton City Charter and has submitted recommendations for changes in such Charter to City Council; and

WHEREAS, Article XVIII, Section 9, of the Constitution of the State of Ohio provides that proposed amendments to a city charter may be submitted to the electors by a two-thirds vote of the legislative authority of that city; and

WHEREAS, City Council has considered the recommendations of the Charter Review Commission and desires to place before the electorate of the City of West Carrollton proposed amendment to the Charter at the general election to be held in November of 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF WEST CARROLLTON, STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY ORDAINS:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: That the question of the amendment of certain sections of the Charter of the City of West Carrollton shall be submitted upon a separate ballot to a vote of the qualified electors of the City of West Carrollton at the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at the regular places of voting in the city as determined by the Montgomery County Board of Elections.

SECTION 2: That the question to be voted upon at such election shall be as follows:

1. Shall Section 4.14 of the City Charter which presently reads as follows:

"Section 4.14. Meeting of Council. The first Council meeting in January of each year shall be an organizational meeting of Council. At such meeting, the newly elected members of Council shall take the oath of office and Council shall then elect a Deputy-Mayor. Thereafter, regular meetings shall be held as prescribed in the Council Rules, but not less frequently than twice each month. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor or four (4) or more members and, by giving at least 12 hours advanced notice to each Council Member and all media outlets that have requested such notification; or as otherwise required by Ohio Statute. Council may hold Executive Sessions at a regular or special meeting as permitted by Revised Code Section 121.22 or any Ohio Statute governing meetings of a public body. All regular and special meetings shall be open to the public except as otherwise provided by Ohio Statute or Ordinance. A majority of the members of Council shall constitute a quorum at all meetings."

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be amended to read as follows:

"Section 4.14. Meeting of Council. The first Council meeting in January of each year shall be an organizational meeting of Council. At such meeting, the newly elected members of Council shall take the oath of office and Council shall then elect a Deputy-Mayor. Thereafter, regular meetings shall be held as prescribed in the Council Rules, but not less frequently than once each month. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor or four (4) or more members and, by giving at least (24) hours advanced notice to each Council Member and all media outlets that have requested such notification; or as otherwise required by Ohio Statute. Council may hold Executive Sessions at a regular or special meeting as permitted by Revised Code Section 121.22 or any Ohio Statute governing meetings of a public body. All regular and special meetings shall be open to the public except as otherwise provided by Ohio Statute or Ordinance. A majority of the members of Council shall constitute a quorum at all meetings.

SECTION 3: That the ballot for said election shall be ENTITLED "PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDS, CITY OF WEST CARROLLTON" and the questions to be submitted on said ballot shall be in the following words:

1. Shall the proposed amendment to Section 4.14 of the City Charter which reads as follows:

"Section 4.14 Meeting of Council. The first Council meeting in January of each year shall be an organizational meeting of Council. At such meeting, the newly elected members of Council shall take the oath of office and Council shall then elect a Deputy-Mayor. Thereafter, regular meetings shall be held as prescribed in the Council Rules, but not less frequently than once each month. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor or four (4) or more members and, by giving at least 24 hours advanced notice to each Council Member and all media outlets that have requested such notification; or as otherwise required by Ohio Statute. Council may hold Executive Sessions at a regular or special meeting as permitted by Revised Code Section 121.22 or any Ohio Statute governing meetings of a public body. All regular and special meetings shall be open to the public except as otherwise provided by Ohio Statute or Ordinance. A majority of the members of Council shall constitute a quorum at all meetings. "

be adopted?

<u>SECTION 4</u>: That the Clerk of Council be, and hereby is, directed to publish the full text of the proposed Charter amendments as set forth above, once a week for not less than two consecutive weeks in the Miamisburg News, a newspaper of general circulation in the city

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of West Carrollton, with the first publication being at least 15 days prior to the election hereinbefore provided, all in accordance with Section 9 of Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution and Revised Code Section 731.211. Such publication shall include the date and time of such election.

<u>SECTION 5:</u> That the Clerk of Council be and hereby is, directed to certify a copy of this ordinance to the Board of Elections of Montgomery County, Ohio and to take such other steps as may be required by law to make the necessary arrangements with the Board of Elections of Montgomery County, Ohio for placing the proposed Charter amendments on the ballot.

<u>SECTION 6</u>: That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Attest:

Clerk of Council \

Effective Date: August 28, 2020

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