



# THE CITY OF TUTTLE

## Memorandum

To: Tuttle Residents  
From: Tim Young, City Manager  
Date: September 24, 2010  
Re: Recommended Changes to the City Charter

In 2009, the City Council created the Charter Review Committee with the charge of reviewing the City Charter and recommending any changes that need to be made. The City Council has accepted their recommendations and has authorized an election. Their recommendations will be voted on at the General Election on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010. Below is a summary of the recommendations of the committee by proposition. There are a total of 11 propositions regarding the City Charter.

- PROPOSITION I. Clarify the requirements for holding elected office.
- PROPOSITION II. Allow councilmember pay to be set by ordinance. Current state law requires any increase in salary for elected officials to not take effect until after the elected official has been re-elected. Voters will be able to vote someone out of office before a pay increase will take effect.
- PROPOSITION III. Clarify who may give direction to the City Manager and City staff in accordance with State law.
- PROPOSITION IV. Clarify what qualifies as a vacancy in office and how to fill such vacancies.
- PROPOSITION V. Remove the requirement for the City Manager to live in the City limits upon beginning employment, allowing the City Council, by ordinance, to set the residency requirements in accordance with State law.
- PROPOSITION VI. Clarify and update the purchasing and contracting requirements of the City in accordance with State law.
- PROPOSITION VII. Simplify language regarding the operation of the Tuttle Ambulance Service (EMS) to be consistent with State law.
- PROPOSITION VIII. Remove the requirement of all Boards, Commissions, and Committees created by the City Council to have a representative appointed from each ward. Instead, the composition of these Boards, Commissions, and Committees will be set by ordinance or resolution, giving more flexibility regarding the membership requirements for these bodies.
- PROPOSITION IX. Clarify the process for certification of a recall election.
- PROPOSITION X. Require public notice prior to any de-annexation proceedings, similar to what State law requires for annexations.
- PROPOSITION XI. Fixes a spelling error of the word "PROCEEDINGS."

A copy of the ballot, the current City Charter, and a version of the current City Charter showing the actual changes is available at City Hall, 301 W Main St, Tuttle, OK, and at [www.cityoftuttle.com](http://www.cityoftuttle.com).