Sacramento Charter Review Committee

Benchmark Cities Matrix (DRAFT)

Agenda Item 4D

	Sacramento*	Los Angeles	Phoenix*	San Diego	San Antonio	San Jose	Austin*
GENERAL INFORMATION							
Population	475,000	4,065,585	1,552,259	1,336,865	1,328,984	1,006,892	743,074
Number of Full-time Employees (approximate)	4,100	30,000,000	17,297	10,729	12,000	6,985	3,700
Unified Legislative and Executive Branches?	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes		
No. of Voting Council/Board Members	9	15	9	9	11	11	7
Form of Government	Council-Manager	Mayor-Council-Commission	Council-Manager	Mayor-Council - **Trial - Sunsets December 2010**	Council-Manager	Council-Manager	Council-Manager
Are Council/Board Members Full-Time or Part-Time?	Part-Time	Full-Time	Full-Time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	
Are Council/Board Members Elected by District or At-Large?	District	District	District	District	District	District	At-Large
Length of Mayoral Term?	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	2 years	4 years	3 years
How Long May the Mayor Serve?	Unlimited	2 terms	2 terms	2 terms		2 terms	3 terms
Length of Council/Board Term?	4 years	4 years	4 years		2 years	4 years	3 years
How Long May Council/Board Members Serve?	Unlimited	3 terms	3 terms		4 terms	2 terms	3 terms
APPOINTMENT POWER							
Who Appoints/Removes City Manager?	Council	Mayor	Council	Mayor with Council Confirmation	Council	Council	Council
Who Appoints/Removes City Treasurer?	Council	Mayor	N/A	Chief Financial Officer	N/A	Council	N/A
Who Appoints/Removes City Clerk?	Council		Council	Council	Council		Council
Who Appoints/Removes City Attorney?	Council	Elected	Council	Citizens - Elected	City Manager with Council Confirmation	Council	City Manager
Who Appoints/Removes Department Directors?	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager with Council Confirmation	City Manager
Who Appoints/Removes Commissioners?	Council	Mayor	Council			Council	
Who Appoints/Removes Subordinate Staff?	Department Directors	Department Directors	Deartment Directors	Department Directors	Department Directors	Department Directors	Department Directors
Are Mayor's Appointees Automatically Confirmed if No Council Action?	N/A		N/A				
Excluding Mayor's Office, Number of Employees Appointed by Mayor	0	25	0			0	
LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES							
Who appoints City Manager/Chief Administrative Officer?	Council	Mayor	Council	Mayor	Council	Council	Council
Appoints/Removes Department Directors	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Manager
Appoints Members of Boards/Commisssions/Advisory Agencies	Mayor	Mayor	Council	Mayor	Council	Council	
Subject to Council Confirmation (unless otherwise noted)?		Yes	Yes				
Responsible for Administration of City	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Manager
Prepares Annual Budget	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Manager
Supervises intergovernmental relations function?	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Manager
Responsible for the City's emergency response activities	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	
May Issue executive orders that are not inconsisent with City Code/Ordinance	N/A	Yes	City Manager				City Manager
OTHER							
Does Mayor Vote?	Yes		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Does Mayor Have Veto?	No		No	No	No	No	No
Does the Charter Provide for a Council President?	No	Yes	No		Yes - Mayor	No	
Who Retains all Residual Powers?	City Council		City Council				
Who Proposes Budget?	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Manager
If Mayor Proposes Budget, Is It Effective If No Council Approval/Override?	N/A	Yes	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A
Does the City have an Ethics Commission?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes - Review Board	Yes - Review Board	
What Charter Officers are included in the Charter?							
Mayor	No	Yes	Elected	Elected	Elected	Yes	Elected
Council/Board	No	Yes	Elected	Elected	Elected	Yes	Elected
City Manager	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Attorney	Yes	Yes	Yes	Elected	No - Under City Manager	Yes	No
City Clerk	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Treasurer	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
City Controller	N/A	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
Chief Administrative Officer of Each Department	No	Yes	No				No
Members of the Boards or Commissions of the Departments	No	Yes	No			Yes	
Executive Director of the Board of Police Commissioners	N/A	Yes	No				

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	Sacramento*	El Paso	Seattle	Fresno	Long Beach	Oakland	Cincinnati
GENERAL INFORMATION							
Population	475,000	606,913	594,210	495,913	492,682	425,068	364,040
Number of Full-time Employees (approximate)	4,100	6,300	10,000	3,700	5,810		5,320
Unified Legislative and Executive Branches?	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes
No. of Voting Council/Board Members	9	9	9	7	9	7	9
Form of Government	Council-Manager	Council-Manager	Mayor-Council	Mayor-Council	Council-Manager	Mayor-Council	Council-Manager
Are Council/Board Members Full-Time or Part-Time?	Part-Time				Part-time		Part-time
Are Council/Board Members Elected by District or At-Large?	District	District	At large	District	At large	District	At Large
Length of Mayoral Term?	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years
How Long May the Mayor Serve?	Unlimited			2 terms	2 terms	2 terms	2 Terms
Length of Council/Board Term?	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years	2 Years
How Long May Council/Board Members Serve?	Unlimited			2 terms	2 years	Unlimited	8 Years Total
APPOINTMENT POWER							
Who Appoints/Removes City Manager?	Council	Council	n/a	Mayor	Council	Mayor with Council confirmation	Mayor + 5 Council
Who Appoints/Removes City Treasurer?	Council	N/A	n/a	N/A	N/A	Elected	N/A
Who Appoints/Removes City Clerk?	Council	City Manager	Council	Council	Council	City Administrator	Mayor + 5 Council
Who Appoints/Removes City Attorney?	Council	Mayor with Majority Vote of Council	Elected	Council	Elected	Elected	City Manager
Who Appoints/Removes Department Directors?	City Manager	City Manager		City Manager	City Manager	City Administrator	City Manager
Who Appoints/Removes Commissioners?	Council	Council	Some Mayor/ some Council/ some Other	Mayor	Some Mayor/some Council	Council	Mayor + 5 Council
Who Appoints/Removes Subordinate Staff?	Department Directors	City Manager		Department Directors	Dept. Directors with CM input	Department Directors	Department Directors
Are Mayor's Appointees Automatically Confirmed if No Council Action?	N/A	N/A			No		N/A
Excluding Mayor's Office, Number of Employees Appointed by Mayor	0	0			0		
LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES							
Who appoints City Manager/Chief Administrative Officer?	Council	Council	n/a	Mayor	Council	Mayor	Mayor+ 5 Council
Appoints/Removes Department Directors	City Manager	City Manager		City Manager	City Manager	City Administrator	City Manager
Appoints Members of Boards/Commisssions/Advisory Agencies	Mayor	Council	Depends	Mayor	Som Mayor/some Council	Mayor	Mayor
Subject to Council Confirmation (unless otherwise noted)?		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	
Responsible for Administration of City	City Manager	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager	City Manager	City Administrator	City Manager
Prepares Annual Budget	City Manager	City Manager	Mayor	Mayor	City Manager	City Administrator	City Manager
Supervises intergovernmental relations function?	City Manager	City Manager	Mayor's office	City Manager under General City Purpose Dept.	City Manager	City Administrator	City Manager
Responsible for the City's emergency response activities	City Manager	Fire Dept	Mayor	City Manager - Fire Dept.	City Manager		City Manager
May Issue executive orders that are not inconsisent with City Code/Ordinance	N/A		Mayor	City Manager - Fire Dept.	?		N/A
OTHER							
Does Mayor Vote?	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No*	No
Does Mayor Have Veto?	No	Yes (3.5E)	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Does the Charter Provide for a Council President?	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
Who Retains all Residual Powers?	City Council		?	Mayor	Depends		City Council
Who Proposes Budget?	City Manager	City Manager	Mayor	Mayor	City Manager	Mayor	City Manager
If Mayor Proposes Budget, Is It Effective If No Council Approval/Override?	N/A	N/A	No	Approval	No		
Does the City have an Ethics Commission?	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
What Charter Officers are included in the Charter?			n/a				
Mayor	No	Elected	Yes	Elected	Yes	Yes	Yes
Council/Board	No	Elected	Yes	Elected	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Manager	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Attorney	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
City Clerk	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
City Treasurer	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	N/A
City Controller	N/A	No	No	Yes	No	N/A	N/A
Chief Administrative Officer of Each Department	No	No	Some, not all	No	No	No	No
Members of the Boards or Commissions of the Departments	No		Yes		Yes	No	
Executive Director of the Board of Police Commissioners	N/A		No		No	N/A	N/A

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