

Questions asked about Charter Commission recruitment and application process:

1. What has been the practice of submitting Charter Commission applications to the judge?
2. Are they submitted at one time?
3. After the deadline?
4. If so, was that done here?
5. Was there even a deadline?
6. Did the city adhere to it?
7. Who was responsible for creating the deadline?
8. Was the deadline an internal decision by staff?
9. Was the deadline legally required? If so, please provide the statute or other documentation that it was a legally required date.
10. The city clerk stated that she failed to meet the deadline to publish the advertisement for Charter Commission vacancies in the Nov./Dec. Ramsey Resident. What was that deadline and when was she aware of having missed it?
11. What was the deadline for publication in the Jan/Feb Ramsey Resident?
12. What was the initial date of vacancy of Charter Commission positions and the subsequent 60 day mark by which they were required to be filled?
13. When did staff begin discussions with a councilmember regarding the possibility of applying for the Charter Commission?
14. Did staff seek legal advice from anyone regarding this and if so, approximately what date(s)? If so, who did they reach out to for legal counsel? If staff did not consult the city attorney, why not?
15. Please list all dates, locations and duration of publication for the vacancies.
16. What was the initial date that the openings were listing as available opportunities along with the application on the Charter Commission page of the city website?
17. Did staff discuss bringing the state statute allowing Councilmembers to apply and the Charter's silence on the matter to the attention of the council, or charter commission? If so, when? What was the outcome of that discussion?
18. Were all six applications provided to the judge?"