

**CM Fuentes Alternative Charter Amendment
City Attorney Appointed by Council only**

PROPOSITION H (City Attorney appointment alternative requested by CM Fuentes)

Ballot Language:

Shall the City Charter be amended to provide that the city council appoints and may remove the city attorney?

Charter changes if proposition passes:

Article V, § 6 -City Attorney

There shall be a department of law, the head of which shall be the city attorney, who shall be appointed by the city council ~~[manager]~~. The city attorney shall be a competent attorney who shall have practiced law in the State of Texas for at least five years immediately preceding his or her appointment. The city attorney shall be the legal advisor of, and attorney for, all of the officers and departments of the city, and he or she shall represent the city in all litigation and legal proceedings. He or she shall draft, approve, or file his or her written legal objections to every ordinance before it is acted upon by the council, and he or she shall pass upon all documents, contracts and legal instruments in which the city may have an interest. The city attorney may be removed at the will and pleasure of the council by a majority vote of the entire membership of the council.