

**City of Palmer
Action Memorandum No. 16-050**

Subject: Direct Staff to Prepare a Resolution to Place Council Term Limits on the October 4, 2016, Ballot

Agenda of: June 28, 2016

Council Action: **APPROVED**

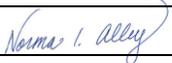
Originator Information:

Originator: Pete LaFrance & Steve Carrington
Date: 5/28/2016 **Requested Agenda Date:** June 28, 2016

Department Information √:

Route to:	Department Director:	Signature:	Date:
_____	Community Development	_____	_____
_____	Finance	_____	_____
_____	Fire Department	_____	_____
_____	Police Department	_____	_____
_____	Public Works	_____	_____

Approved for presentation by:

	Signature:	Remarks:
City Manager	<u></u>	_____
City Attorney	<u></u>	_____
City Clerk	<u></u>	_____

Certification of Funds:

Total amount of funds listed in this legislation: \$ _____

This legislation (√):

Has no fiscal impact Creates a positive impact in the amount of: \$ _____
 Creates a negative impact in the amount of: \$ _____

Funds are (√):

Budgeted Line item(s): _____
 Not budgeted Affected line item(s): _____

General fund unassigned balance (after requested budget modification): \$ _____

Enterprise unrestricted net position (after requested budget modification): \$ _____

Director of Finance Signature: 

Attachment(s):

- None

Summary Statement: To discuss taking a charter amendment proposition to the vote of the people at the October 4, 2016, election regarding the possibility of limiting the mayor and council members to two consecutive three year terms. The proposition would not address lifetime term limits.

Matters of consideration could be:

- How Many Consecutive Years to Serve
- How Many Consecutive Years to Wait Before Serving Again
- Date Term Limits Become Effective

Palmer Charter 3.2. **Terms of Office** states the terms of two councilmen shall expire each year, except that in each third year, counting from 1963, the terms of the Mayor and of two Councilmen shall expire. When appointments are made to fill vacancies in the manner provided by Section 2.13(a) of this Charter, appointees shall qualify for and assume the duties of office within ten days after appointment, unless such time be extended for not more than sixty days by the Council.

Palmer Municipal Code §§ 2.04.041. **Term of office** states the term of office of each council member shall be for three years and shall commence on the Monday following his or her election. (Ord. 648 § 3, 2005)

Administration Recommendation: Authorize Action Memorandum 16-050.