

St. Petersburg Municipal General Election
November 8, 2011

Council Member District 1

Charlie Gerdes
Robert A. "Bob" Kersteen

Council Member District 3

Bill Dudley
Brent Hatley

Council Member District 5

Steve Kornell
New Election*

Council Member District 7

Gershon Faulkner
Wengay "Newt" Newton

***NOTE:** A candidate for Council Member, District 5, has withdrawn his candidacy and the St. Petersburg City Code requires we replace his name with "New Election." For the District 5 race, the voters must choose between the remaining candidate and a "New Election." If the majority of the votes are cast for "New Election," the City will be required to conduct a Primary Election to be held January 31, 2012, in conjunction with the Presidential Preference Primary, to be voted on by residents who live within District 5, and a General Election, on a date to be determined, to be voted on by residents citywide. If the majority of votes are cast for the remaining candidate, he will be declared the winner.

Proposed Charter Amendments and Referendum Questions

NO. 1

CHARTER AMENDMENT

Charter Amendment Authorizing Leases of Port Property For Up To 25 Years

Shall the City Charter be amended to increase the length of leases on the Port property, including abutting submerged lands, from 10 years to 25 years, that can be authorized by a City Council resolution approved by no less than six members of City Council, without the need for a referendum or notice to surrounding properties, in order to encourage private investment, economic development, income for the City and reduction of the Port subsidy?

YES
NO

NO. 2
REFERENDUM QUESTION

Providing City Council with the Authority to Grant Economic Development Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions

Shall the City Council be authorized to grant, pursuant to s. 3, Art. VII of the State Constitution, ad valorem tax exemptions to new businesses and expansions of existing businesses that are expected to create new, full-time jobs in the City of St. Petersburg?

- YES For authority to grant exemptions
NO Against authority to grant exemptions

NO. 3
CHARTER AMENDMENT

Require the City Council to Adopt an Inclusive Downtown Waterfront Master Plan by Ordinance

Shall the City Charter be amended to require that City Council adopt an ordinance, by July 1, 2012, establishing criteria for the development of an inclusive Downtown Waterfront Master Plan and further require that City Council develop and approve an inclusive Downtown Waterfront Master Plan in accordance with that ordinance by July 1, 2015?

- YES
NO

NO. 4
CHARTER AMENDMENT

Require the Formation of a Citizen Committee to Evaluate and Determine City Council District Boundaries

Shall the City Charter be amended to require that a Citizen Committee, with the Mayor and each City Council Member appointing a Member from their district, determine the Council District Boundaries as opposed to the current process whereby City Council determines the Council District Boundaries?

- YES
NO

NO. 5
CHARTER AMENDMENT

Make Management Evaluation by City Council Optional Instead of Mandatory

Shall the City Charter be amended to require City Council to consider but not require a Management Evaluation every two years, while preserving the right of City Council to conduct such a study any time?

YES
NO

NO. 6
CHARTER AMENDMENT

Require Public Hearings on City Budget Amendments Regarding Fund Transfers and Finalizing Year-End Budget

Shall the City Charter be amended to require that City Council hold a public hearing before approval of any amendment to the City Budget which transfers money from one fund to another and further require that at the end of the budget year a public hearing be held to approve the year-end budget ordinance?

YES
NO

NO.7
CHARTER AMENDMENT

Mayor Must Submit a Balanced Budget to City Council

Shall the City Charter be amended to require the Mayor to submit a balanced budget to City Council?

YES
NO

NO. 8
CHARTER AMENDMENT

General Clarifications and Corrections to the Charter

Shall the City Charter be amended to clarify existing responsibilities between City Council and the Mayor, and to correct typographical errors?

YES
NO