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*Proposed Charter Amendment*

## **Elimination of City Primary Election**

### **~ FACT SHEET ~**

**GENERAL ELECTION DATE:** Tuesday, November 3, 2015  
Polls open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. at 18 Precinct Locations throughout the City.

**PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT OVERVIEW:**

The Southfield City Charter currently provides that primary Elections for City elected officers are required whenever the number of candidates for nomination to any office exceeds twice the number to be elected to that office. This proposal would eliminate City primary elections, and instead, would provide for the election of City officers at the general City election. The City of Southfield is currently one of only five remaining cities in Oakland County that still hold primary elections.

**ANTICIPATED COST SAVINGS:**

The anticipated cost savings to the City should the charter Amendment pass would be approximately \$76,000 per primary election.

**BALLOT PROPOSAL LANGAUAGE:**

Shall Chapters III and XI of the City Charter be amended to delete Sections 3.3, 3.4, 3.9, 3.10, 3.11, and 3.12, and amend Sections 3.7, 3.8, 3.27, 3.28, 3.31, and 11.5 which would eliminate City Primary Elections and provide for the election of City Officers at the General City Election?