

Office of the County Auditor
Auditor's Analysis

Amendment 4
Council Resolution No. 94-2020

Amendment Proposed by: Christiana Rigby and Opel Jones

Introduced: June 1, 2020

Auditor: Lisa Geerman

Fiscal Impact:

There will be no fiscal impact as a result of this amendment.

Purpose:

This amendment proposes the following changes:

- Increases the number of members of a Councilmanic Redistricting Commission from seven members to eight members and a chairperson;
- Removes the requirement of unanimous vote for appointment;
- Eliminates the requirement that the Central Committee nominate three persons to serve on the Commission and appoint all such nominees as well as one additional member of the Commission;
- Adds a new method of determining representatives on the Commission, specifying:
 - Nominees from the Central Committee shall consist of members from each political party with at least 20 percent of the registered voters at the time of the most recent general election;
 - The number of names shall be that same portion of the Commission as the percentage of registrants for that party;
 - The County Council shall appoint the names nominated by the Central Committees; and
 - Non-affiliated members to the Commission shall be in the same proportion as the proportion of non-affiliated registered voters in the County.
- Adds that the County Council shall appoint the Chairperson of the Commission without regard to party affiliation and that the Chairperson shall only vote in the case of a tie; and
- Includes a provision whereby the County Council shall adopt additional criteria for appointment to the Commission and specify deadlines and activities of the Commission.

Other Comments:

None.