## RESOLUTION TO DEFINE THE CHARGE OF THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Manchester, acting herein by its Board of Directors, desires to initiate a review and possible revision of its Charter;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Town of Manchester, acting through its Board of Directors, voted on September 10, 2024 to establish a Charter Revision Commission pursuant to its powers under to Section 7-188 of Chapter 99, Municipal Charters and Special Acts, of the Connecticut General Statutes;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Town of Manchester, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-190(a), shall appoint to the Charter Revision Commission nine electors.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-190(b), directs the following charges to the Charter Revision Commission:

- 1. Review Section 3-1 of the Charter to consider amending the limits governing fines for violations of municipal ordinances.
- 2. Review the Charter to consider amending all references regarding the "Board of Directors" to "Town Council."
- 3. Review the Charter to consider amending all references regarding the "Town of Manchester" to "City of Manchester."
- 4. Review the Charter, including Sections 2-2, 2-4(c)(4), and 3-8, to consider amending the term "elector" to "resident."
- 5. Review Charter Chapter 18 to consider restructuring the Department of Law to a Corporation Counsel.
- 6. Review Charter Section 3-10 to consider amending the process for Enactment by Petition.
- 7. Review Charter Sections 11-3 and 12-4 to consider removing the residency requirement for the Director of Public Works and Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Department.
- 8. Review Charter Sections 2-1, 2-11, and 8-1 to consider eliminating the Select Board.
- 9. Review technical changes as may be recommended by Town staff.

The review of the Town Charter by the Charter Revision Commission is not restricted to the areas identified above.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Town of Manchester that the Charter Revision Commission submit to the Clerk of the Town of Manchester its draft report no later than August 1, 2025.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024 at Manchester, Connecticut.

Pamela Floyd-Cranford, Secretary Board of Directors