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**TO:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**THRU:**

**FROM:** Karen M. McDonald, City Attorney

**DATE:** May 7, 2018

**RE:**  
Update on Four-Year Staggered Terms for City Council

**COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):**  
All

**Relationship To Strategic Plan:**  
Goal V: Sustainable Organizational Capacity

**Executive Summary:**  
The purpose of this agenda item is to provide a timeline for implementation of four-year staggered terms and for the Council to consider and discuss recall provisions.

**Background:**  
Council previously discussed four-year staggered terms at the April work session. Consensus at that time was to research this item and recall provisions, create a timeline of events, and bring this item back to Council for further discussion at the May work session. Based on your direction, the following is a proposed timeline:

PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF  
FOUR-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS

Adopt Resolution of Intent	May 14, 2018
Hold Public Hearing	May 28, 2018
Adopt Ordinance Amending the Charter	June 11, 2018

Council members also inquired about the recall provisions. There are several cities in North Carolina that have recall provisions. I have attached the provisions from Durham, Raleigh, Asheville, and Greensboro.

**Issues/Analysis:**

Whether to go forward with implementing four-year staggered terms and asking the local delegation to support adding recall provisions to the City's Charter.

**Budget Impact:**

Unknown at this time.

**Options:**

1. Accept the proposed resolution and direct staff to place on the May 14, 2018, agenda for adoption.
2. Do not accept the proposed resolution.
3. Provide additional direction to staff.

**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends that Council provide direction to staff as to Council's interest.

**Attachments:**

Proposed Resolution of Intent  
Durham Recall Provisions  
Raleigh Recall Provisions  
Asheville Recall Provisions  
Greensboro Recall Provisions