

Initiative Petition to Amend the Charter of the City of Daytona Beach

I am a registered voter of the City of Daytona Beach and hereby petition that the following amendment to the City Charter of the City of Daytona Beach be submitted to the City Commission of the City of Daytona Beach as required by Section 40 of the City Charter and, if the City Commission fails to pass the measure as proposed, that the measure be submitted to a vote of the electors of the City of Daytona Beach as provided in the City Charter.

Name (please print) _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

TITLE: Budgeting Controls

SUMMARY: Revises the budgeting process of the City to require that all non-budgeted expenditures over \$1,000 must be introduced by individual resolution, allow for public discussion, and be voted upon as a matter of public record; that all funding items designated as “other,” “emergency,” or “miscellaneous” funds are to be non-allocated and held in the general or reserve fund; and that all unspent, budgeted or allocated funds will be returned to the city general or reserve at the end of the fiscal year.

Article III, Section 4 of the City Charter is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. - General powers.

The City of Daytona Beach hereby created and established shall have perpetual succession; may sue and be sued; plead and be impleaded; shall have and may exercise all of the powers, privileges and functions of municipalities prescribed, authorized and provided in the home rule powers granted by the Constitution and the General Laws of the State of Florida; and in addition thereto, shall have the power, by and through its city commission herein created.

To purchase, lease, acquire by eminent domain, receive and hold property, real and personal, within or without the limits or territorial boundaries of said municipality; and to sell, alienate, convey, lease or otherwise dispose of the same for the benefit and advantage of said municipality; acquire by eminent domain, lease, receive and hold property, real and personal, within or without the limits or territorial boundaries of said municipality to be used for the erection, construction and maintenance of waterworks, storm and sanitary sewer systems, and lighting plants, for the establishment of hospitals and houses of detention and correction, for the establishment of docks, wharves, bulkheads, breakwaters and boat basins, public parks, playgrounds, golf grounds, fair grounds, airports, seaplane bases, and for such other public purposes as the city commission may, by ordinance or otherwise, deem necessary and proper; and may sell, lease or otherwise dispose of said property for the benefit of said municipality to the same extent that natural persons might or could do; to lease space for the maintaining of advertising on all parking meter standards, benches or other property owned and operated by the city; to pass and enforce ordinances for the preservation of the property of said municipality and to preserve order on the same, either within or without its limits.

The commission may make such other and further ordinances, not inconsistent with the constitution and the laws of the State of Florida as shall be deemed necessary for the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties. The enumeration of particular powers herein shall not be held or deemed to be exclusive or limiting.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the commission shall not utilize a “consent agenda” or other similar method to approve non-budgeted expenditures over \$1,000. All non-budgeted expenditures over \$1,000 must be introduced by individual resolution, allow for public discussion, and be voted upon as a matter of public record. There shall be no budgeted, allocated funds held or listed as “other,” “emergency,” or “miscellaneous” in any city department or division budget category. All “other,” “emergency,” or “miscellaneous” funds are to be non-allocated and held in the general or reserve fund. All unspent, budgeted or allocated funds will be returned to the city general or reserve at the end of the fiscal year.

The following registered voters shall be officially regarded as filing the petition: Ron Bynum, 2616 S. Peninsula Drive, Daytona Beach, Florida 32118; Greg Gimbert, 255 Euclid Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida 32118; George Smith, 1033 Chaffee PL., Daytona Beach, Florida 32116; Scott Jackson, 445 Dorothy Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida 32117; Keon Williams, 645 Dr. Mary Bethune BLVD., Lefevre #12, Daytona Beach, Florida 32114.

Pd. Pol. Adv. Paid for, by Striving Towards A New Daytona, (STAND). 2616 S. Peninsula Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32118.