RESOLUTION NO. 18-001

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE
ST. LOUIS PARK CITY COUNCIL
ADOPT A CHARTER AMENDMENT
BY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
RANKED CHOICE VOTING

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 410.12, subd. 7 provides that a charter commission may recommend a charter amendment to a city council and upon recommendation of the charter commission, the city council may enact a charter amendment by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2017, the City Council of St. Louis Park adopted Resolution 17-153 requesting that, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 410.12, subd. 7, the Charter Commission study and make a recommendation regarding whether the City’s Charter should or should not be amended to provide for the use of Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) in municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Commission met on October 24, 2017, December 6, 2017, and January 10, 2018, to discuss the City Council’s request; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Commission undertook a public process to gain information and feedback on the topic of Ranked Choice Voting that included hosting an Expert Q&A Panel event on February 13, 2018 and a Public Listening Session on March 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Commission has determined that the City Charter should be amended to provide for RCV by Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Charter Commission of the City of St. Louis Park, Minnesota that:

The Charter Commission recommends the City Council adopt the attached Ordinance amending the City Charter to provide for RCV.

Adopted by the St. Louis Park Charter Commission March 13, 2018

Reviewed for Administration:

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Thomas K. Harmening City Manager
Sara Maaske, Chair

Attest:

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Melissa Kennedy, City Clerk