

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-08**

**RESOLUTION PETITIONING DISTRICT COURT  
FOR APPOINTMENT OF A CHARTER COMMISSION  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINN. STAT. §410.05, SUBD. 1.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Grant is a statutory city; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012 residents of the City of Grant discussed with the Grant City Council the possibility of the City moving toward a charter form of government; and

**WHEREAS**, the residents identified a number of potential advantages in converting from a statutory city to a home rule charter; and

**WHEREAS**, the charter form of government may serve to involve residents in the development of the a city charter; and

**WHEREAS**, the charter form of government may provide the City with greater flexibility to make changes to its charter to better address the needs and concerns of the residents of the City of Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the charter form of government may allow the city charter to address many issues that are not presently regulated by State law or the City's Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the charter form of government may allow the City to operate more efficiently and with greater response to the needs of the residents of the City of Grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant City Council has discussed the opportunities presented by the appointment of a Charter Commission for the purpose of determining whether a charter should be presented to the residents of the City of Grant for approval; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant City Council desires to have a charter commission appointed by the District Court; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Minn. Stat. §410.05, subd. 1., "When the district court of the judicial district in which a city is situated, deems it for the best interest of the city so to do, the court, acting through its chief judge, may appoint a charter commission to frame and amend a charter;" and

**WHEREAS**, upon resolution of the governing body of the city requesting such action, "the Court shall appoint a charter commission;" and

**WHEREAS**, the commission shall be composed of not less than seven members, and not more than fifteen members, each of whom a qualified voter of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Grant, Minnesota as follows:

1. The Grant City Council deems it in the best interest of the City to petition the District Court for the appointment of a Charter Commission.
2. In accordance with Minn. Stat. §410.05, subd. 1., the Grant City Council hereby petitions the District Court for the Tenth Judicial District of the State of Minnesota to appoint a Charter Commission to frame a charter for the City of Grant.
3. The Charter Commission shall consist of nine members.
4. In accordance with Minn. Stat. §410.05, subd. 3, the Grant City Council submits the names of the following eligible nominees for the Court's consideration in appointing the Charter Commission: Mayor Tom Carr, Council member Steve Bohnen, Council member Scott Fogelson, Council member Jeff Huber, Council member Tina Lobin.

Passed and Adopted by the Council on this 5th day of February, 2013.

**CITY OF GRANT:**

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By: Tom Carr  
Its: Mayor

ATTEST:

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By: Kim Points  
Its: Administrator/Clerk