



# 2024 City of Dallas Charter Review Commission

## Proposed Amendment #108

<b>Submitted by:</b> Adam McGough	<b>Location:</b> Chapter III	<b>Category:</b> Policy
<b>NEW</b> <p>Create a limited power of veto for the Mayor in three specific areas along with a city council override of the veto with 2/3 vote. The mayor would have authority to veto only: 1) the budget, 2) a bond proposition, or 3) A department level direct hire such as the Chief of Police and Fire Chief. Upon the exercise of the veto power, the city council could override the veto based on a vote of 2/3 of the city council.</p>		
<b>Rationale:</b> <p>Governance should be efficient and accountable. The 14-1 governance has been important. By creating a step of accountability in three very limited areas, collaboration is encouraged and rightly placed on the only city wide elected official. However, for such impactful areas, the city council as a whole should have the final say, and it should be based on a 2/3 majority to ensure all representatives have a say and the best outcomes are achieved. To have adequate time for review and alterations, timelines for budget preparation and deadlines for veto must be established so that state required deadlines are met.</p>		