

**CITY OF MANOR  
SPECIAL ELECTION  
CHARTER AMENDMENT**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

The proposed amendments shall take effect upon their adoption and the entering of an order by the City Council declaring the amendments adopted. The proposed amendments affect only the Articles and sections listed below and submitted for amendment to read as follows (*with proposed new language being underlined, bolded, and italicized and language proposed to be removed is struck through*):

**PROPOSITION O  
Franchise Authority**

**Article XI. Public Utilities, Franchises and Contracts**

**Section 11.02. - Franchises.**

The council shall have the power and authority to grant franchises for the use and occupancy of streets, avenues, alleys and any and all public property belonging to or under the control of the city. Except as specifically authorized and provided otherwise by state law, no individual, organization, entity, political subdivision, corporation, public utility or any provider of public service shall provide any service within the city requiring the use or occupancy of any street, public right-of-way or property without first being granted a franchise or permit to use such city facilities. The franchise ordinance or permit shall fully describe the terms of the agreement, and regardless of the title given, shall be subject to the terms of this Article. The terms of such agreements shall be explicit so as to protect the interests of the citizens and shall include but not be limited to the terms prescribed in this charter. No franchise ordinance or permit shall be passed except on two readings held after a public hearing for which ten days' notice is given in a newspaper of general circulation in the city *and posted on the City's website, unless applicable state or federal law requires the issuance of the franchise or permit within a specific time period, in which case the franchise ordinance or permit will be approved in accordance with the procedures established by ordinance.*