



**EXECUTIVE ORDER**  
**Constituting the 2023 Charter Review Council**  
**2023-0001**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIII of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island, the Home Rule Charter of the City of Central Falls was adopted on November 4, 1952; and

WHEREAS, Central Falls last convened a Charter Review Commission in 2012 and Central Falls voters last considered changes to the Home Rule Charter in 2018; and

WHEREAS, it is critical for the voters and residents of the City to understand and have a voice in the governance of their community; and

WHEREAS, a Charter Review Council will result in recommendations to the City Council for placement on the ballot for the 2023 general election.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Maria Rivera, Mayor of the City of Central Falls, pursuant to Sections 4-100, 102(6) and (9) of the Central Falls Home Rule Charter and Article XIII of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island, declare and order the following, effective immediately:

1. There is hereby reconstituted the Central Falls Charter Review Council; and
2. The Council shall be composed of the following five (5) members:
  - a. Miguel Garcia, Chair
  - b. Barbara Silvis, Vice-Chair
  - c. Hugo Figueroa
  - d. Freeman Freeman
  - e. Patricia Martinez
3. A quorum of the Council shall be three (3) members for the purpose of voting matters and two (2) members for the purpose of non-voting matters.
4. The Council shall meet at least five times with the final meeting being a scheduled vote on any recommendations to the city council no later than August 28, 2023.
5. The Council shall comply with relevant city, state and federal laws including R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-3, the Open Meetings Act, and the city clerk shall serve as the non-voting, ex-officio secretary of the Council ensuring that meeting minutes and agendas are promulgated.
6. The city solicitor shall serve as the legal counsel for the Council.



Maria Rivera  
Mayor

Dated: July 20, 2023