Proposed Change:	Current Governance Charter Language:	Proposed Language:	Rationale
1. Add language regarding membership structure for Board Committees in the Responsibilities sections.	Unless approved by the CoC Board, seats on board committees will be held only by current board members	Remove committee categorization between Board vs CoC Committees and align all committee structure with committees outlined in the Strategic System Improvement Planning process (p. 11)	It was proposed to remove the distinction for "Board Committees" and allow both Board members and General Membership members to join any of the committees in the CoC.
2. Add clarifying language regarding committee seats	All Board members are required to serve on at least one committee of the CoC	All Board members are required to serve on at least one committee of the CoC as seats become available. Please be aware that your preferred Committee may not have available seats, but the CoC encourages your active participation in any available alternatives. (Pg.6)	It was suggested that all Board members be required to participate in a committee. However, a disclaimer would clarify that their preferred committee may not always have available seats. Board members are encouraged to join other committees with open positions to remain actively involved.
3. Add language regarding CoC Committees being required to upload meeting minutes as a standard to a shared	No current language	All CoC Committees will also be responsible for compiling and storing meeting minutes in a shared location (HAND website, Google Drive, etc.), in an effort to promote system wide information sharing and transparency. Meeting minutes will be archived for a	This suggestion aims to promote transparency within the CoC and ensure that Board members stay informed about the work being done by the committees.

Google Drive		minimum standard of 3 years. (p.11)	
4. Add language for the CoC Committees regarding workplans and guiding documents.	No current language	CoC Committees will develop both work plans and guiding documents which will be publicly available. Language around what should be found in a Guiding Document is also included. (p.11)	This was suggested to clearly define the Committees expectations.
5. Divide the section "Code of Conduct/Conflict of Interest/Recusal Process. Adopt a Code of Conduct and emerge into the charter	N/A; current section is found on pg.15-16	No language was altered, but the content was rearranged for better flow. Please review page 17-18 of the new draft of the charter for further evaluation.	The content was rearranged for better flow.
6. Update the language that says Board Chairs must be elected by the first meeting of the year	The Detroit Continuum of Care Board will elect a chairperson, a vice chairperson and a secretary at the first meeting of the calendar year	The Detroit Continuum of Care Board will elect a chairperson, a vice chairperson and a secretary in the first quarter of the year. (p. 9)	It was suggested to extend the time allowed for filling those seats.
7. Advance the language by saying in the absence of the chair, the co-chair can be assumed for x number of months.	In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair assumes the duties of the Chair (p. 11)	In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair assumes the duties of the Chair. Upon the end of the Chair's term, the Vice Chair will assume all duties of the Chair until such time as the new Board Chair elections have been held. If the	This suggestion aims to maintain the continuity of the Board's leadership in the event that the chair position expires and becomes vacant.

		outgoing Chair is willing to extend their term to ensure continuity of leadership until a new Chair is elected, then the CoC Board will allow for that interim extension. The Chair and Vice Chair shall perform other duties as the CoC may designate. (p.9)	
8. Add a Parliamentarian seat to ensure the Board's adherence to our bylaws and policies	**N/A**	The Parliamentarian will ensure the Board's adherence to proper meeting and voting procedures in accordance with the Governance Charter. (p.9)	This was suggested to ensure the Board's adherence to our bylaws and policies.
9.A process needs to be developed for the removal or termination of Board members in the event of any violations	Review the current Governance Charter on this section p. 10	Detroit CoC Board Members are subject to abiding by a Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest, and Board Member Agreement. Formal process for reporting violations of these agreements has been outlined in the charter. (p. 10)	A process needed to be developed for removal or termination of Board members in the event of any violations.
10. Language needs to be adopted regarding the recertification of the CoC, HMIS, and CAM Lead. • A notice should be added if an	Governance Charter p. 16-17	Each designated entity will have expectations and processes outlined in their respective Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) which will clearly identify the metrics by which designated entities will be reviewed and	It was suggested to add language regarding the recertification of the designated Leads.

entity plans to relinquish its role as the CoC, HMIS, or CAM Lead. • Procedures need to be developed for situations where the 75% vote threshold is not met to reaffirm designations. • A process should be created for cases where any of the lead designations fail to meet performance evaluation requirements		considered for recertification of their designation. Furthermore, clearly defined timelines will be expressed should an entity wish to relinquish its designation, and these timelines will also be agreed upon in the MOUs. (p.16)	
11. Address Appointed Seats and restructure		Appointed seats were restructured and the category of cultivated seats was expanded. (p. 7-8)	To allow for Appointed Seats to be responsive to the needs of the CoC, while also being flexible.
12. Remove condition that allows for an entity to exercise more than one vote on the Board if the Board has determined they represent a unique sector.		Condition was struck from the Governance Charter. Where applicable, entities that hold more than one Board seat will need to coordinate to cast a single vote on motions brought to the Board. (p. 7-8)	Aligning voting rights to affirm one agency, one vote.

13. Add a description for the PWLEH Council and List the DAG and YAB under this section.	Refer to pg. 13-14	**PWLEH Leadership Council:** In alignment with the CoC's vision, these bodies were established to foster power sharing and accountability within the system for Persons with Lived Experience of Homelessness (PWLEH). Members are comprised of PWLEH. The bodies within the PWLEH Leadership Council support the action planning of the system and help to ensure that decisions and policies are just and in alignment with the needs of the clients served by the system. There is mutual accountability between these groups and the CoC Board to respond to feedback from one another and co-create solutions to issues facing the system. The PWLEH Leadership Council has the authority to make recommendations to the CoC Board for system improvement and provide oversight/participate in the decisions made by the system that directly impact persons experiencing homelessness.	It was proposed as part of the strategic planning process to align with the strategies proposed to better center PWLEH in the work of the system as partners with set functions and mutual accountability mechanisms.

14. add the ambassador group under the PWLEH Leadership Council section	Refer to pg. 13-14	**<u>Ambassador Group:</u>** The Ambassador Program works to empower clients through education and 1:1 support. Ambassadors assist the Client Support Liaison in ***providing education to clients about their rights*** within the system and helping them to ***mediate with providers*** when they feel their rights have been violated. They also empower clients through trainings on topics clients elevate and through connection to resources.	This was an additional group created for PWLEH.

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