

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 366  
HOUSE BILL 570

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO  
PROVIDE A VETO AND A VOTE FOR THE MAYOR IN CERTAIN  
SITUATIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** Chapter III, Subchapter B, Section 3.23(b) of the Charlotte City Charter being Chapter 713, Session Laws of 1965, as rewritten by Chapter 140, Session Laws of 1971 and by ordinance under G.S. 160A-106 is hereby amended by deleting the following:

"Provided: as to ordinances, unless they are approved by at least nine (9) members of the council, the mayor shall have the power to provide for a period of additional deliberation by postponing the passage of the ordinance until the next regular or special meeting of the council. An ordinance postponed for additional deliberation by the mayor shall automatically be on the agenda at the next regular or special meeting of the council, but shall not become effective until reapproved by the council with at least eight (8) members voting in the affirmative at such regular or special meeting of the council. In the absence of the mayor, the mayor pro tempore shall preside, but shall not have postponement power, and shall only vote when so presiding as herein provided for the mayor",

and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Except for council appointments to committees, boards, and commissions; its employment of the city manager, the city attorney and the city clerk; its internal affairs and matters which must be approved by the voters, the mayor may veto any action adopted by the city council. The veto must be exercised at the meeting at which the action was taken. An action vetoed by the mayor shall automatically be on the agenda at the next regular or special meeting of the council, but shall not become effective unless it was readopted by the council with at least seven members voting in the affirmative. In the absence of the mayor, the mayor pro tempore shall preside, but shall not have veto power, and shall only vote when so presiding as herein provided for the mayor".

**Sec. 2.** Chapter III, Subchapter B, Section 3.23(b) of the Charlotte City Charter as rewritten by Chapter 140, Session Laws of 1971 is hereby further amended by adding the following at the end of the present subsection:

"; provided further, however, the mayor shall have a vote in the consideration of the employment or dismissal of the city manager, the city attorney and the city clerk."

**Sec. 3.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 12th day of May, 1981.