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**City of College Park Announces That Recent Charter Amendment
Did Not Pass Due To Insufficient Number Of Votes**

COLLEGE PARK, MD, September 15, 2017 – City of College Park officials said on Friday that Charter Amendment 17-CR-02 that would have allowed City residents who are not U.S. citizens to vote in City elections did not receive the required number of affirmative votes by elected officials to be adopted.

For most Council actions, a simple majority of Councilmembers present must vote in favor of an item for it to be adopted. However, changes to the Charter have a different requirement. The City Charter was amended in June to require the affirmative vote of six elected officials to change the Charter. On Tuesday night, four of the seven voting Councilmembers voted in favor of Charter Amendment 17-CR-02, which was not enough for passage. Therefore, Charter Amendment 17-CR-02 was not adopted.

City officials are notifying residents and the media that the Charter Amendment did not pass. The City Council will discuss this development at their Worksession next Tuesday, September 19.

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