

**SECTION 10.01 INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.**

(a) Ordinances, resolutions and other measures may be proposed by initiative petition and adopted by election, and ordinances and resolutions adopted by the Council shall be subject to referendum, as provided by the Constitution and laws of Ohio; provided:

(1) Initiative and referendum petitions shall be signed by electors of the City equal in number to not less than ten percent of the number of electors of the City who voted at the last gubernatorial election.

(2) Ordinances and resolutions calling elections under this Charter shall not be subject to initiative or referendum.

(b) The initiative process shall not be used to propose or enact any legislation of any type that provides any person, partnership, association, corporation, organization, or other nonpublic entity, or any combination thereof, with a financial benefit or a grant of power over sphere of economic or commercial activity.