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PHASE	KEY STEPS & STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS
PHASE 1 Initiation Jul 23, 2026 Aug 27, 2026	Authorize and Appoint the Commission - Board votes (2/3 majority required) to establish Black Point Charter Revision Commission. - Resolution shall specify commission size (5-15 members), scope of review, and deadline for final report. - The Board may recommend specific items of the Charter be considered for amendment; the Commission must consider the Board's recommendations and may consider additional items. - Commission members to be appointed - no more than a bare majority from any one political party; not more than 1/3 may hold another office (BOG, Zoning, ZBA). - Set date for draft report – recommend February 15, 2027 for review by Board at February 25, 2027 Regular Meeting.
PHASE 2 Organize & Scope Jul 24, 2026 – Sep 15, 2026 Aug 27 – Sep 30, 2026	Organizational Setup & Initial Public Hearing - Commission holds first <u>mandatory</u> public hearing — must occur BEFORE any substantive drafting begins. - Notice of public hearing to be published in The New London Day at least 10 days before the hearing. - Public hearing should allow for virtual participation and acceptance of written public comments. - Commission defines specific charter sections and topics under review.
PHASE 3 Review & Draft Sep 15, 2026 – Jan 15, 2027 Sep 30, 2026 – Jan 15, 2027	Research, Deliberation, & Drafting - Commission reviews current charter section by section. - Commission may hold <i>additional</i> public hearings or meetings at its discretion. - Meetings shall be open to public, minimum 48 hour public notice; public input for meetings shall be at Commission's discretion. - Draft minutes of all hearings and meetings shall be available within 7 days via posting to Association website. - Draft proposed charter language developed and refined over successive meetings. - Hold second <u>mandatory</u> public hearing on completed draft BEFORE submitting draft report — Commission may amend draft based on testimony at the public hearing. - Notice of public hearing to be published in The New London Day at least 10 days before the hearing.

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PHASE 4 Draft Report <i>Jan 15, 2027 – Mar 15, 2027</i>	Submit Draft Report to Appointing Authority • Commission files draft report (including proposed charter text) with Board by February 15, 2027. • Board holds at least one public hearing on the draft report; hearing must occur within 45 days of receipt of draft. – Notice of public hearing to be published in The New London Day at least 10 days before the hearing. – Recommend Public Hearing on March 4, 2027; holding public hearing at same time as a Board Meeting (February 25) is not recommended. • Within 15 days (March 19, 2027) following public hearing, Board may recommend changes to the Commission.
PHASE 5 Final Report <i>Mar 15, 2027 – Apr 15, 2027</i>	Commission Issues Final Report • Commission confers with Board on any recommended changes; Commission may accept or reject recommendations; target March 25, 2027 Board Meeting. • Commission issues final report to Board no later than 30 days after receiving recommendations. • If Board makes no recommendations within 15 days, draft report becomes final automatically.
PHASE 6 Appointing Authority Action <i>Apr 15, 2027 – Apr 30, 2027</i>	Final Report - Approve, Amend, or Reject • Board votes by majority to approve, approve with modifications, or reject the final report (April 22, 2027). • If approved, publish proposed charter (in full or as amendment notice) in The New London Day within 30 days (May 1, 2027).
PHASE 7 Referendum <i>May 29, 2027</i>	Public Referendum / Voter Ratification • Proposed charter changes submitted to voters at Annual Meeting. • Board determines whether changes are submitted as a single question or multiple separate questions. • Simple majority of votes cast required for approval.
PHASE 8 Effective Date & Filing <i>Jul 1, 2027</i>	Post-Referendum Certification, Filing & Implementation • Upon voter approval, certified copies filed with the Secretary of the State and State Library. • New charter or amendments take effect per the effective date specified in the document (commonly 30–60 days post-certification). • Commission records archived • Board takes any implementation actions required (e.g., reconstituting boards, adjusting terms of office).