

State of Texas

County of Brazoria

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Charter Review Commission met on Thursday, December 19th, 2013, at 6:15 p.m., at the Freeport Museum, 311 E. Park, Freeport Texas for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:

Charter Review Members: Eric Hayes
 Annette Sanford
 Sandra Barnett
 Jason Thompson

Present: Mayor Norma Garcia
 City Secretary, Delia Munoz

Visitors: James Barnett

Call to Order.

Eric Hayes Chairman of the Charter Review Commission opened the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Consideration of approving the minutes for December 13th, 2013.

A motion by Jason Thompson, seconded by Sandra Barnett, with all present voting "aye", the minutes for December 13th, 2013 were approved.

Discuss and Review Charter Review Articles 1-11.

The Charter Review reviewed Articles 1-11.

Consideration of proposing amendments to the Charter Review Articles 1-11:

1.02 Boundaries, 2.03 Eminent Domain, 3.01 Number Selection, and Term
3.05 Mayor Pro Tem, 3.15 Publication of Financial Statement, 4.01 City Manager
4.02 Department of Police, 4.08 Fire Department.

1.02 Boundaries – No motion on Article 1.02, it was decided that it was the Planning Commission's function.

2.03 Eminent Domain – No motion on Article 2.03, to remain the same.

- 3.01 Number Section and Term - The possibilities of changing to a 3 year term at an election. On a motion by Sandra Barnett, seconded by Annette Sanford to stay with the (2) year term. Motion passed.
- 3.05 Mayor Pro Tem. – On a motion by Sandra Barnett, seconded by Jason Thompson, to have the Mayor Pro Tem rotate by ward. Motion passed.
- 3.15 Publication of Financial Statement – On a motion by Annette Sanford, seconded by Eric Hayes, with all present voting “aye”, motion passed to Publish Financial Statements on the website.
- 4.01 City Manager – On a motion by Sandra Barnett, seconded by Annette Sanford to require the City Manager to reside in the City. Motion passed 3 to 1. Jason Thompson opposed.
- 4.02 Department of Police- On a motion by Eric Hayes, seconded by Sandra Barnett, to require the Police Chief to reside in the City. Motion passed 3 to 1. Jason Thompson opposed.
- 4.08 Fire Department – On a motion by Eric Hayes, seconded by Sandra Barnett, to require the Fire Chief to reside in the City. Motion passed 3 to 1. Jason Thompson opposed.

Consider and discuss with City Attorney proposed Charter Review’s amendments to the Charter Review.

Review and present to the City Attorney the proposed amendments.

Discuss and schedule next Charter Review meeting.

None scheduled.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Eric Hayes – Chairperson

Annette Sanford – Secretary