

2019 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
April 10, 2019

Mr. Jarvis called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. followed by a roll call.

PRESENT: Mr. Adams, Ms. Barlow, Mr. Canida, Ms. Giambrone, Mr. Jarvis, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Stein

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Clerk Miscisin, Mr. McHugh

OTHERS PRESENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Barlow MOVED to approve the April 2, 2019 Meeting Minutes, seconded by Mr. Adams. Motion PASSED by majority voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Topics for Discussion Presented to Commission at April 2, 2019 Meeting

Mr. McHugh presented a Charter timeline which sets Commission finalization date, Council meetings, and deadline to place approved amendments on the November ballot.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 4.02(A) relating to Mayor/Council member term limits. With the Charter amendment to allow direct election of Mayor, a Council member could run for Mayor in the middle of their term. As currently written in this section of the Charter, a Council member serving 6 consecutive years would not be eligible to run for Mayor. Mr. McHugh recommended setting a limit of three consecutive terms. In addition, Mr. Jarvis recommended adding language to require 2 years as a city elector to run for Council or Mayor. Mr. McHugh will draft term limit language for the Commission to review at the next meeting for discussion.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 5.03. Mr. McHugh recommended the public hearing take place with the first reading and adoption take place with the second reading. Ms. Giambrone recommended adding language which would allow Council to hold a third reading if so moved.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 6.01. After discussion, the recommendation was to remove the last sentence of the section requiring the city manager be a resident of the City.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 6.03. After discussion, the recommendation was to require five Council members to remove the City

Manager. Mr. Stein recommended reviewing the use of the word "majority" throughout the Charter. To be consistent with Section 6.03, after discussion, the recommendation was made to replace the word "majority" in Section 6.01 with five Council members to appoint the City Manager.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 6.05. After discussion, the recommendation was to replace the phrase "his or her" with the word "the." Mr. McHugh will review other instances of the phrases "his or her" or "he or she" throughout the Charter.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 9.02 related to whether individuals should be allowed to be appointed to multiple City boards. Mr. McHugh will draft language incorporating a variety of recommendations made by Commission members to review at the next meeting. After further discussion, an additional recommendation was to change "journal" to "minutes" in Section 9.02(7).

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 10.05. After discussion, the recommendation was to leave this section as is at this time.

Mr. Jarvis opened discussion on Charter Section 13.03. After discussion, the recommendation was to leave the section as is and advise council to draft an ordinance as allowed by the Charter. Mr. McHugh will further research State of Ohio ethics language and will report back at the next meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There being no comments, Citizen Comments was closed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Canida MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Mr. Adams. Motion PASSED by majority voice vote.



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