



City of Hallandale Beach Charter Review Committee Meeting

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Hallandale Beach, FL 33009
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Chair Irina Cotler
Vice Chair Eve Paul
Board Member Anthony Adelson
Board Member Howard Garson
Board Member Etty Sims
Board Member Brian Stewart
Board Member Michael Wead

City Attorney Jennifer Merino
Assistant City Manager Keven Klopp
Staff Liaison Sheena D. James

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 3, 2020	10:00 AM	Commission Chambers
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Eve Paul called the meeting to Order at 10:02 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Vice Chair Eve Paul, Board Members: Howard Garson, Brian Stewart, Etty Sims, Anthony Adelson and Michael Wead.

Absent: 1 - Chair Irina Cotler

Member Stewart arrived at 10:04 a.m.

City Attorney Jennifer Merino and Assistant City Manager Keven Klopp were also present.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no speakers.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. FEBRUARY 18, 2020 CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Motion by Member Garson, Seconded by Member Sims, to approve the Draft Minutes of February 18, 2020, as presented. The Motion carried with a 5-0 Voice vote.

Member Stewart was absent from the meeting during the vote.

6. CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF ARTICLE III. CITY COMMISSION

A. PROVIDE CLARITY AND OPTIONS: JUNGLE VOTING AND

DISTRICTING

Motion by Member Stewart to amend the City Charter requiring district residency and district voting with an at-large Mayor.

Motion dies for lack of a Second.

Primary Proposal:

Motion by Member Stewart, Seconded by Member Adelson to amend the City Charter to require a Two (2) district solution, district residency, voted on by district, one at large Commissioner seat, rotating appointed Mayor for a two (2) year term, candidates must reside in the district for a minimum of 1 year at the time of qualifying. The Motion carried with the following votes:

Ayes: 5 - Member Adelson, Member Sims, Member Wead, Member Stewart and Vice Chair Paul

Nayes: 1 - Member Garson

Absent: 1 - Chair Irina Cotler

Alternative Proposal:

Motion by Member Garson, Seconded by Member Sims to offer an alternative Charter amendment requiring all Commissioners be elected at-large by a 'Jungle' electoral system, i.e. the top two (2) or three (3) vote getters will be elected to the position of Commissioner; with an appointed Mayor The Motion carried with the following votes:

Ayes: 5 - Member Adelson, Member Sims, Member Wead, Member Garson and Vice Chair Paul

Nayes: 1 - Member Stewart

Absent: 1 - Chair Irina Cotler

Motion by Member Stewart, Seconded Adelson, to include recommendations in the Final Report advising the City Commission that the Charter Review Committee

considered Ranked Choice Voting as an option; however, since this is not a feasible option at this time it may become feasible in the future and the City Commission is encouraged to revisit the idea. The Motion carried with a 6-0 Voice vote.

Unanimous Consensus:

- Staff to provide a legal opinion concerning the Charter Review Committee's ability to lobby the City Commission.

7. REVIEW OF ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

Motion by Member Adelson, Seconded by Member Stewart to update pronoun usage throughout the City Charter; and to utilize gender neutral references as much as possible and provide for clarification where necessary. The Motion carried with a 6-0 Voice vote.

8. SCHEDULING NEXT MEETING

MARCH 17, 2020

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Unanimous Consensus:

- To reconsider Article III, City Commission for Commissioner Compensation Provisions at the next meeting March 17, 2020.
- Staff to provide itemized listing of salary and all benefits for the City Commission.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss before the Charter Review Committee, the meeting adjourned without objection at 12:08 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

Eve Paul Chair

Sheena D. James, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

Adopted Date: