

MINUTES
LOUISVILLE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 20, 2020
6:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Nau, Chair
Mark Sigler
Rick Flory
Angie Burick

MEMBERS ABSENT

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CHARTER REVIEW LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

William Hanna, Esq.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT

Larry Collins, City Manager
Andy Turowski, Assistant City Manager/Police Chief
Tiffany Justice, City Clerk – Secretary of the Charter Review Commission

OTHERS PRESENT

Dave Thorley

Approval of the February 20, 2020 Charter Review Commission Agenda

Approval of the February 20, 2020 Charter Review Commission Agenda, The vote: All yea.

Approval of the February 6, 2020 Charter Review Commission Minutes

MEMBER SIGLER MOVED, SECONDED BY MEMBER FLORY, and the motion carried to approve the February 6, 2020 Charter Review Commission minutes approved as amended by Mr. Hanna. The vote: All yea.

Review Article I of Louisville Charter

Discussion followed regarding adding a provision in either Article I or Article X of a Charter Review Commission. Discussion followed: on the time period between reviews, the body of the review committee and when recommendations would be due to Council.

Mr. Hanna reported that he would bring example language to next meeting.

City Manager Collins suggested the first review commission may be earlier than the following. This would alleviate waiting a long period of time after this initial review if issues are found.

Chair Nau reported that a major consideration needs to be if there are multiple ballots or one and the associated costs. Discussion on Member Flory contacting Board of Elections in this regard.

Review Article II of Louisville Charter

Discussion followed regarding Section 3, Salary. The salary is listed and is original from when Charter was formed in 1960. Discussion followed on the current verbiage allows for an ordinance, with the exact amounts for transparency purposes.

Discussion on Section 4, Presiding Officer, Mayor-Council Member followed on: streamlining with Section 12 – Introduction of Council Into Office and Meetings of Council. Discussion on breaking sections 4 and 12 into separate sections based on functionality.

Discussion followed regarding Section 5 Powers number 15, to serve as Board of Control. Discussion followed on the redundancy with Council being the Board of Control.

Discussion on Section 9 Vacancies in Power with Mr. Hanna to provide other municipality examples.

Section 11 City Clerk, discussion on changing wording to appoint from elect.

Section 12 Introduction of Council into Office and Meetings of Council was further discussed on the sections of the Charter or meetings could likely be made clearer by consolidation and updating language to current time of meetings per ordinance. Mr. Hanna to provide an example of this wording at the next meeting.

Regarding Executive Sessions discussion followed on current statute language and updates. Discussion of adding a provision to refer to the Ohio Revised Code with all other reasons of an Executive Session.

Discussion of Section 15 through Section 21 followed on updates Ordinance and Resolution language, publication updates, effective dates and Emergency Ordinances clarification. Mr. Hanna to provide more streamlined language.

Review Article III of Louisville Charter

Discussion followed on including a spending limit for City Manager and bidding language.

Chair Nau reported that for the next meeting we will look at what Mr. Hanna provides regarding discussions from this meeting and review Articles IV-VI.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Justice, Secretary of the Louisville Charter Review Commission