

CARSON CITY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Charter Review Committee was held at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 in the City Hall Capitol Conference Room, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

PRESENT: Chairperson Shelly Aldean

Ernie Adler

Blair Allen

Gail Parsons

Vivian Pickett

Richard Reich

John Vettel

STAFF: John Berkich, City Manager

Neil Rombardo, Deputy District Attorney

Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

(CRC 05/23/00; Tape 1-0001)

NOTE: Unless indicated otherwise, each item was introduced by Chairperson Aldean. A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's Office and is available for review and inspection during regular business hours.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (1-0003) - Chairperson Aldean called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Roll call was taken; a quorum was present. Vice Chairperson Kuester and Members Jackson and Nuzum were absent.

B. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MAY 4, 2000 (1-0009) - Member Allen moved to accept the minutes as presented. Member Pickett seconded the motion. Discussion regarding Member Adler's motion for item D-11 took place, and he provided clarification for what he meant the motion to convey. Ms. King advised that she would review the tape recording to determine the exact wording of the motion. Member Allen amended her motion to include a correction to item D-11, if appropriate. Member Pickett continued her second. Motion carried 7-0.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS (1-0041) - None.

D. PUBLIC MEETING ITEMS

D-1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND THE CARSON CITY CHARTER BY ADOPTING A PROVISION AUTHORIZING A STORM WATER UTILITY, INCLUDING FLOOD CONTROL AND DETENTION/RETENTION BASINS (1-0047) - Chairperson Aldean referred to Mr. Rombardo's May 4, 2000 memorandum. Mr. Rombardo reviewed the memorandum as pertaining to this item. **Member Adler moved to indefinitely postpone this item. Member Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.**

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D-2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND THE CARSON CITY CHARTER BY ELIMINATING THE PURCHASING AGENT POSITION (1-0074) - Mr. Berkich thanked the Committee members for their service. He explained the recent reorganization, the functions of the Purchasing and Contracts Department, and the reasons for dividing the function. To satisfy the requirements of the Charter, a Purchasing and Contracts Manager has been appointed; however, the functions have been delegated to two separate departments, as follows: the Development Services Department is handling contracts at the Corporate Yard and the Finance Department is handling purchasing at City Hall. Mr. Berkich explained the reasons the previous set up was becoming an inefficient way of conducting business.

Chairperson Aldean suggested amending the language in §3.077 to make the Purchasing Director position discretionary. Mr. Berkich concurred. **Member Adler moved to recommend that the Carson City Charter be amended by making the position of purchasing agent discretionary rather than mandatory under the Charter.** Discussion followed regarding the current structure, and the effect of the proposed amendment. **Member Vettel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.** Discussion regarding proposed language took place, and Committee and staff consensus was to leave the motion in a general form.

D-3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND THE CARSON CITY CHARTER BY TERMINATING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION ONCE THE ELECTED OFFICIAL'S TERM IN OFFICE IS ENDED (1-0203) - Member Adler advised of his conversation with Vice Chairperson Kuester following the May 4, 2000 meeting. He referred to proposed language which he had prepared and read the same into the record. He pointed out that there are appointments made to boards and commissions which are not by virtue of elected office. **Member Vettel moved to adopt Member Adler's proposed language. Member Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.**

D-4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO AMEND THE CARSON CITY CHARTER TO ALLOW FOR VOTING AT LARGE, BY WARD, OR ANY COMBINATION OF THE TWO (1-0242) - Member Adler referred to proposed language which he had drafted and provided an overview of the same. He commented that once the census data is available and an adjustment is determined to be necessary, the Board of Supervisors should be free to make the adjustment. The Committee members and staff reviewed and revised the proposed language. Chairperson Aldean referred to Mr. Glover's concern that an amendment will also affect the Hospital and School Boards. Discussion followed regarding the same, and Member Vettel expressed opposition to changing the current method by which the mayor is elected. Mr. Rombardo pointed out the section in the Charter requiring the mayor's position. He suggested adding a sentence that the mayor's position will remain an at large election.

Chairperson Aldean requested a clarification regarding the citation in the proposed language. Member Adler acknowledged that the citation should be §2.010(4). Mr. Rombardo provided proposed language for the last sentence, as follows: "However, the office of mayor must be voted upon by the registered voters

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of Carson City at large.” Chairperson Aldean reviewed the revisions. **Member Reich moved to approve the proposed language as amended. Member Vettel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.**

D-5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION REQUIRING ALL VOLUNTEERS SERVING ON CARSON CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS, WHICH ARE CREATED BY THE CARSON CITY CHARTER, TO BE ACTUAL, PHYSICAL RESIDENTS OF CARSON CITY (1-0462) - Chairperson Aldean referred to the proposed resolution prepared by Mr. Rombardo. Discussion took place regarding the definition of residency. **Member Allen moved to adopt the language as presented. Member Parsons seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.**

D-6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SELECT COMMITTEE MEMBER(S) TO PRESENT PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS TO THE CARSON CITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON JUNE 15, 2000, AND TO THE NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE AT THE NEXT SESSION (1-0589) - Chairperson Aldean solicited volunteers. **Member Allen moved to appoint Chairperson Aldean. Member Adler seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.** Member Adler volunteered to accompany Chairperson Aldean to the legislature. Chairperson Aldean requested as many Committee members as possible to attend the June 15th Board of Supervisors meeting.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (1-0638) - Chairperson Aldean advised that Clerk-Recorder Alan Glover had suggested that the Committee meet again on June 27 to discuss the Board of Supervisors presentation, and the Committee members concurred. Chairperson Aldean requested that copies of the resolutions be mailed to each of the Committee members.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (1-0660) - Chairperson Aldean expressed appreciation for the Committee members’ time and participation.

G. ADJOURNMENT (1-0680) - Member Vettel moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Member Reich seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The Minutes of the May 23, 2000 meeting of the Carson City Charter Review Committee are so approved this _____ day of June, 2000.

SHELLY ALDEAN, Chairperson