



CITY OF SUGAR LAND

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019

POSTED PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

4:00 PM

Charter Review Commission Meeting

QUORUM PRESENT

All members present, except for Commissioner Molho.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Citizens who desire to address the Charter Review Commission with regards to matters on the agenda will be received at this time. The number of speakers will be limited to the first ten (10) speakers, and each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. Citizens wishing to submit written comments may do so to the Commission Secretary, prior to the posted convening time of the meeting, and must provide seven (7) copies for the Commissioners and the record. Comments or discussions by the Commission will only be made as related to revisions of the City's Charter.**

No member of the public addressed the Commission.

II. MINUTES

- A. Consideration of and action on the minutes of January 23, 2019.**

Thomas Harris III, Interim City Secretary

A motion to **Approve**, Item II-A Minutes, was made by Stewart Jacobson and seconded by Tom DeMont, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: DeMont, Dunmore-Mondt, Gornet, Jacobson

Absent: Molho

III. CHARTER

A. Review of and discussion on the City of Sugar Land Charter.

Meredith Riede, City Attorney

Meredith Riede, City Attorney, gave comments and answered questions from the Commission regarding the following:

2.07 Powers and Duties of the Council

- Commission Consensus to leave it as written.

2.08 Council Meetings

- Commission Consensus:
 - (a) Change to two meetings a month, publish a calendar of meeting schedule for the following year in December, can change meeting in extenuating circumstances (as stated during the January 23, 2019 meeting)
 - (b) Add language, in addition to the minutes from the last month, that Council members must vote unless conflicted by state law; majority unless super majority to pass an item is needed by state law
 - (c) To change "death or disability" to "death, incapacitation, disqualification, resignation, and recall;" continue discussion regarding three absences that affect a quorum disqualifies the council members; set a minimum of three as quorum to conduct business; and review proposed language from the City Attorney.

2.09 Legislation

- Commission Consensus to leave it as written.

2.10 City Manager

- Commission Consensus to continue discussion regarding adding language that the City Council shall not interfere with the daily operations of the City; and for Legal to bring back language at next meeting.

2.11 Definitions

- Commission Consensus was to recommend no changes.

Commission Consensus regarding additional items in Article 2 of the City Charter:

- Add disqualifications for crimes of moral turpitude and felony convictions.
- Add disqualifications for unexcused absences to (a) 4 consecutive regular meetings and (b) 25% of regular meetings in a 12 month period. Further

discussion on giving Council ability to disqualify will continue at the next meeting.

- Discuss resign to run for another office during the next meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to **Approve**, Adjournment at 5:47 p.m., was made by Carla Dunmore-Mondt and seconded by Tom DeMont, the motion **Passed**.

Ayes: DeMont, Dunmore-Mondt, Gornet

Absent: Jacobson, Molho

Glenda Gundermann, City Secretary

