



CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024 - 6:00 P.M. MINUTES - amended

A **Regular Meeting** of the Charter Review Committee of the Town of Redington Shores, Florida was convened at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Lisa Foster (District 4), Jim Everett (At Large), Marie Palena (District 1), Christy Herig (District 2), Ginger McQuigg (District 3)

Members Absent: none

Other Municipal Officials Present: Town Administrator Mike McGlothlin, Town Attorney Robert Eschenfelder, Town Clerk Margaret Carey

1. ROLL CALL BY THE TOWN CLERK

2. PRESENTATION BY THE TOWN ATTORNEY

Attorney Eschenfelder welcomed the group and explained the purpose of the Charter Review Committee. He also highlighted the general rules of the "Sunshine" Law, explaining about public records (including emails and text messages) and open meetings. He also encouraged members to return all documents to the Clerk at the conclusion of the Charter Review process, so that documents could be retained properly.

3. SELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE CHAIR, SECRETARY

According to RES-02-2024, Section 5, the CRC shall select a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.

Jim Everett motioned to approve Lisa Foster as the Chair, seconded by Christy Herig. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously all yay 5 to 0.

Marie Palena motioned to approve Jim Everett as the Vice Chair, seconded by Ginger McQuigg. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously all yay 5 to 0.

Christy Herig motioned to approve Marie Palena as the Secretary, seconded by Jim Everett. Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously all yay 5 to 0.

4. TIMELINE AND SCHEDULE

Clerk Carey previously distributed a binder to each member of the CRC. Included in the binder is historical information, the current Charter and a draft timeline for completion of the charter review. She explained that all charter amendments will be included in a proposed Ordinance that will be considered by the Board of Commissioners. Once approved, the amendments will be submitted to the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections for inclusion in the General Election ballot. There is a strict deadline for submission of ballot language. The deadline is August 9, 2024 for the November, 2024 Election and December 31, 2024 for the March, 2025 Election.

The CRC discussed the 2 deadlines. The CRC selected 4 future meeting dates: May 13, May 20, June 4, and June 10. This will allow time for the Board of Commissioners to vote on the 1st and 2nd reading of the proposed Ordinance in July. Attorney Eschenfelder noted that a Special Meeting of the Board would be required to meet the ballot language deadline.

5. INITIAL REVIEW OF THE CHARTER

Attorney Eschenfelder discussed the charter, section-by-section, noting areas with outdated language and areas that he suggests further review and discussion. He explained that his role is primarily as a legal advisor and charter amendment changes should come from the CRC and residents.

Attorney Eschenfelder will prepare a Word document with "track changes" so the CRC can keep track of all updates as they progress with the review process. Eschenfelder also encouraged Committee members to talk to other residents and invite them to attend meetings. The CRC also discussed various ways for the Town to advertise the upcoming meetings.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT - none

7. MISCELLANEOUS

Next meeting dates: May 13, May 20, June 4, and June 10

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Carey
Town Clerk



Date Approved by CRC