

2012 Charter Revision Committee Meeting November 17, 2011 Minutes

AGENDA

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair Gonzalo Barrientos
Vice Chair Ann Kitchen
David Butts
Fred Cantu
Delia Garza
Richard Jung
Delores Lenzy-Jones

Nelson Linder
Dr. Fred McGhee
Margaret Menicucci
Susan Moffat
Ken Rigsbee
Ted Siff
Kathleen Vale

Fred Lewis

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Gonzalo Barrientos. A quorum was present (Butts, Jung, Lewis, McGhee absent).

1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 3, 2011 MEETING Motion by Moffat, second by Lenzy-Jones; motion passed on a vote of 11-0.

(At 6:35, Committee member Lewis present. At 6:45, Committee members Butts and McGhee present. At 6:55, Committee member Jung present.)

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Citizen communication is an opportunity for members of the public to speak on an unposted agenda item. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes.

Members of the public signed up to speak on this item were Roscoe Overton, Steven Aleman, Lorraine Atherton, Sandra Baldridge, Charlie Jackson, and Cynthia Valadez.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation regarding the Council proposal for geographic representation consisting of six members elected from geographic districts, two members elected at large, and a mayor elected at large (6-2-1), and the related draft maps showing six City Council districts, presented to Council on June 9, 2011.

Members of the public signed up to speak on this item were Rudy Williams, Stewart Snider, Richard Franklin, Peck Young, Volma Overton, and Sam Osemene. Motion to table by Siff, second by Menicucci; motion passed on a vote of 8-7 (Barrientos, Cantu, Jung, Lenzy-Jones, Lewis, Linder, Menicucci, Siff voting aye; Kitchen, Butts, Garza, McGhee, Moffat, Rigsbee, Vale voting nay).

B. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation regarding the single member versus hybrid approaches for a future City Council district map.

Members of the public signed up to speak on this item were Cynthia Valadez, John Lawler, Eliza May, Susanna Woody, L. "Mike" Rodriguez, Roscoe Overton, and Rudy Williams. Motion to invite Steve Bickerstaff to speak on item 3.B. and 3.C., by Kitchen; friendly amendment by Butts to also invite Mike Richardson; motion passed on a vote of 15-0. Motion to also invite Luis Figueroa, a lawyer representing the NAACP, and a lawyer representing the Asian American community, by Lewis; second by Kitchen; motion passed on a vote of 15-0.

(At 8:45, Committee member Siff and Vale off the dais.)

C. Discussion and possible action on a recommendation regarding the number of total districts for a future City Council map.

Members of the public signed up to speak on this item were Peck Young, Rudy Williams, and John Lawler. See motion on item 3.B.

D. Presentation by the Charter Amendment Working Group regarding proposed recommendation to Council regarding campaign finance, for future action (Vice Chair Kitchen, Siff, Moffat, Lewis, Menicucci)

Vice Chair Kitchen presented campaign finance recommendations for consideration at the next meeting.

E. Public input process update (Vale)

Member Cantu made comments on this item.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee adjourned at 9:30.