

**CITY OF COOPER CITY
CHARTER REVIEW BOARD
FEBRUARY 7, 2012**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Greg Ross called the meeting to order at 6:33p.m.

MEMBERS	1/17/2012	2/07/2012	2/21/2012	03/07/2012	3/20/2012	4/03/2012	4/17/2012
Lori G. Green	P	P					
Jay J Greear	P	P					
Ian R. Dasho	P	P					
Scott J. Cooper	P	A					
Walter S. Jolliff	P	P					
Skip KLauber	P	P					
Helen Cohen	P	A					
Dick Sharpe	P	P					
David W. Rouse	P	P					
Greg Ross	P	P					

2. Approval of Minutes – 1-17-2012

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the meeting of 01/17/2012.

Moved by Dick Sharpe, seconded by Walt Jolliff.

All ayes voiced with no opposition. Motion passed.

3. Open Public Commentary

None.

4. Old Business

Selection of a March Meeting Date

- Choose an alternate meeting date in March as there is a conflict with the original date of March 6, 2012.

Consensus was reached to make March 7, 2012 the first choice for the rescheduled date, with March 5, 2012 as a backup date.

5. New Business

- C.** Other portions of the City Charter which the Board desires to review and discuss.

Jay Greear suggested that election primaries be brought back as they were once part of our charter and help to simplify the election process.

Request was made by Lori Green for the City Clerk to research the cost of running a primary election.

Walt Jolliff mentioned a bill that would create earlier qualifying dates and may affect this issue.

Atty. Wolpin clarified that the bill in question states that municipalities that have November general elections in even-numbered calendar years, shall not have primary elections.

City Manager Loucks, suggested that the board look at Section 7.02 of the Charter which states that a Charter Review Board shall convene every five years and contains very specific language, which does not work in direct conjunction with the election schedule. He suggested that the board look at changing the language to reflect a schedule that falls to even-numbered years.

Consensus was reached to have this issue placed on the next meeting Agenda with the suggested language provided by staff.

Skip Klauber introduced Section 1.05 (1) and (2) Boards and agencies and Section 1.06 City attorney as areas for possible clarification. He addressed Section 3.01 and the "at large" election system.

Walt Jolliff introduced Sections 5.09 and 4.01 as areas that may need further clarification.

Chair, Greg Ross, made a recommendation to add web site and City building postings to Section 3.10(2). David Rouse added that 3.10(3) should include public notice as well.

A. How Filling a Vacancy Impacts Term Limits – (And all of Article III)

- Section 3.03 Term Limitations

Consensus was reached to propose that the filling of any vacancy of office for any length of time less than a full term, shall not be counted as a term where it relates to term limits and to remove the first sentence of Section of 3.02(3).

MOTION: To change term limits from (3) four-year terms to (2) full four-year terms.

Moved by Dick Sharpe, seconded by (unidentified).

Roll Call Vote

Lori Green: No
Jay Greear: No

Ian Dasho: No
Walt Jolliff: No
Skip Klauber: No
Dick Sharpe: Yes
David Rouse: Yes
Greg Ross: No

Motion Failed.

B. District Map Designation

- Section 3.03 Election Districts

MOTION: To propose a change to the Charter language to reflect district distributions based on population rather than registered voters.

Moved by Jay Greear, seconded by (unidentified).

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

C. Section 1.05 Boards and agencies

Skip Klauber questioned the function that all of the various advisory boards serve within the City.

MOTION: To open for discussion, the implementation of authorities and usage thereof as it applies to Section 1.05.

Moved by Skip Klauber. Seconded by Walt Jolliff.

Discussion ensued with no formal proposal articulated.

MOTION: To invite each Commission member to participate in one Charter Review Board meeting to offer their input and perspective on areas of the Charter they would like to see clarified or amended.

Moved by Lori Green, seconded by Jay Greear.

No objection was expressed. Motion passed.

Consensus was reached with no objection, to place Section 1.05 as an Item on the next Agenda.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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