

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

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Greg Ross called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.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	P	P			
Jay J Greear	P	P	P	P			
Ian R. Dasho	P	P	P	A			
Scott J. Cooper	P	A	P	P			
Walter S. Jolliff	P	P	P	P			
Skip KLauber	P	P	P	P			
Helen Cohen	P	A	P	A			
Dick Sharpe	P	P	P	A			
David W. Rouse	P	P	A	P			
Greg Ross	P	P	P	P			

2. Approval of Minutes

2-21-2012

MOTION: To approve the minutes from the meeting of 02/07/2012.

Moved by Walt Jolliff, seconded by (unidentified).

All ayes voiced with no opposition. Motion passed.

3. Open Public Commentary

4. Guest Speakers

- Mayor Debby Eisinger
Mayor Eisinger voiced her appreciation for the efforts of the Board to review the charter and to clarify and/or amend any sections they find to be in need of simplification or expansion. She reviewed some of the sections that the Board has been discussing and opined regarding sections that they may want to look at closer.

5. Old Business

A. Section 3.01 – City Commission, Powers and Composition

- Further Discussion – Klauber
Mr. Klauber implored the Board to abolish the at-large system of elections that the City currently utilizes.

MOTION: To postpone further discussion on this issue until the meeting of March 20th to allow the input of absent Board members.

Moved by Skip Klauber. Seconded by Walt Jolliff.

Roll Call Vote

Lori Green: No
Jay Greear: No
Scott Cooper: No
Walt Jolliff: Yes
Skip Klauber: Yes
David Rouse: No
Greg Ross: No

Motion failed.

B. Section 3.03(2) - Election Districts

- Further Discussion Regarding Proposal of Redrawing of the District Map – Green
Lori Green inquired as to the obligation of the Board in the physical act of redrawing the District Map.
No motion was made.

C. Section 3.09(1) - Elections

- Further Discussion as it pertains to General Elections – Green
Lori Green proposed moving Cooper City elections to August to coincide with Judicial and School Board elections and to eliminate the primary restriction that accompanies November elections.
No motion was made.

D. Section 3.10 – Vacancies, Forfeitures of Office, Filling of Vacancies

- Further Discussion – Ross
Chair Greg Ross directed the meeting to temporarily move on to Item E on the Agenda.

E. Section 4.01 – City Manager

- Expand upon this Section - Jolliff
Walt Jolliff asked that this item be deferred to the next meeting as he was unprepared to articulate his opinion on this section at this time.

F. Section 5.09 – Signatures to bonds, checks, contracts, etc.

- Expand to be more specific – Jolliff
City Attorney Wolpin will provide suggested verbiage changes
MOTION: To accept the verbiage changes as suggested by the City Attorney.
Moved by Scott Cooper. Seconded by Walt Jolliff.
All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

D. Section 3.10 – Vacancies, Forfeitures of Office, Filling of Vacancies

- Further Discussion – Ross

Greg Ross suggested that a provision be made in the Charter that clarifies whether a term is “counted” against a Commissioner filling a seat based on the length of the remainder of the term they fill either greater than or less than 50%.

MOTION: To revise Section **3.02(3)** of the Charter to expressly state that service for a partial term of office where a person is either elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in an incomplete term will not be counted for term limit purposes.

Moved by Scott Cooper. Seconded by Walt Jolliff.

Motion passed 6-1 with Skip Klauber dissenting.

6. New Business

Chair Greg Ross stated that he would bring back a proposed clarification for Section 6.01.

Skip Klauber stated that he would like to discuss Sections 3.05 and 3.06

Walt Jolliff stated he would like to see a review of the action of the Board thus far.

Section 3.10 (5) – Incumbent officer to turn over records to the city.

David Rouse stated that it had been suggested that some verbiage be changed in this area.

MOTION: To change the word successor to City Clerk and to include a specific timeframe.

Moved by Greg Ross. Seconded by Lori Green.

MOTION: To withdraw the timeframe element.

Moved by Greg Ross. Seconded by Lori Green.

MOTION: To amend the original motion changing the verbiage specifically to read as follows: It shall be the duty of every officer of the city, prior to the expiration of their term of office or of their removal therefrom, to deliver to the City Clerk, all books, records, papers, vouchers and property of every kind in their possession or control belonging to the municipality.

Moved by Greg Ross. Seconded by Lori Green.

All aye on roll call vote. Motion passed.

7. Adjournment

Chair Greg Ross adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

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