

**CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 25, 2012**

A Charter Revision Committee Meeting of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, was called to order by Mr. Jay Alperin, Chairperson, in the First Floor Conference Room at City Hall at 8:00 a.m., on Friday, May 25, 2012.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed:

Present - Jay Alperin, Chairperson
Kimberly Camejo
Brian Cheslack
Deborah Dowd
Brenda Durden
Michael Malone
Scott Porten
David Schmidt

Absent - Doak Campbell
Gary Eliopoulos
Alberta McCarthy

Also present were - Brian Shutt, City Attorney
Venice Cobb, Executive Assistant/Advisory Board Liaison

I. CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

Mr. Alperin called the meeting to order for the purpose of considering the following items.

II. MINUTES

Mr. Alperin stated everyone should have a copy of the minutes from the last meeting. Mr. Scott Porten noted as a correction to the May 11, 2012 minutes that he did not attend the last meeting. Mr. Alperin asked if anyone else had any other changes.

Ms. Dowd moved to approve the May 11, 2012 amended minutes, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. Said motion passed unanimously.

III. DISCUSSION ON CHARTER AMENDMENTS

The Committee discussed Items A-E. Regarding Item A, Applicability of the extended terms to any current Commissioner who assumes the Office of Mayor, it was the consensus of the Committee that if a current Commissioner runs for Mayor it will begin a new term length meaning the previous years as Commissioner will not count as part of the new term. This provision does not apply if a Mayor assumes the office of Commissioner. Item B, Number of Votes for Hiring and Removal of City Manager, the Committee agreed that the number of votes should be the same for hiring and removal. It was the consensus of the Committee to have a vote of 3 to 2 for hiring and removal of the City Manager. For Item C, City Manager Compensation, Mr. Alperin read the language from the Charter. The Committee discussed this and felt it should not be in the Charter unless it is regulated by state statute.

Regarding Item D, Mayor and Commission Salaries, the Committee's recommendation was that the Commission review their salaries. Mr. Brian Shutt, City Attorney, discussed the ordinance that deals with expenses, etc. Discussion continued on this issue. Item E (Other Items) were discussed i.e. internal auditor. It was the consensus of the Committee that there should not be an internal auditor or have language regarding an internal auditor in the Charter. However, an outside auditor can be contracted. The Committee discussed the current Form of Government. Mr. Alperin asked if the committee felt there should be changes to the form of government. The Committee discussed the strong mayor form of government, vote of 3 to 2, etc. Mr. Alperin stated better guidance should be given to the City Manager as far as what the Commission wants. He stated it is Commission responsibility, not the Charter and not the City Manager regarding the Commission providing direction and then to make sure the policy is implemented. Grammar was mentioned and Mr. Shutt stated the changes will be made in the final version.

IV. SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Alperin stated he is hoping the committee is at the point where the next meeting can be the public hearing. He stated he will put together a preliminary report for the public hearing. The committee discussed dates for the public hearing. It was the consensus of the committee to have the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on June 26, 2012. Mr. Shutt stated staff will confirm the date and location and let the committee know.

V. COMMENTS – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

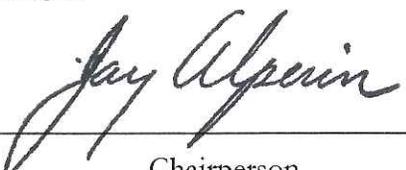
A committee member briefly mentioned the recommendation regarding Commission salaries. There were no other additional comments from committee members.

Mr. Alperin adjourned the Workshop Meeting at 9:09 a.m.



City Clerk

ATTEST:



Chairperson

The undersigned is the City Clerk of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Charter Revision Committee Meeting of the City of Delray Beach held on Friday, May 25, 2012, which Minutes were formally approved and adopted by the Committee on June 26, 2012.



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