

AGENDA

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Thursday, September 15, 2005
8:00-10:00 a.m.
Council Office Building
6th Floor Front Conference Room

8:00 a.m. I. Welcome New Member

Robert Reeder from Silver Spring, MD

8:05 a.m. II. Public Forum

- A. Review Op-Ed pieces (Mr. Muir)
- B. Ongoing Community Outreach Efforts
 - Local papers
 - Community groups
 - Government contacts (Regional Services Centers, Housing Opportunities Commission, Montgomery Community Television, etc.)
 - Other suggestions
- C. Forum to be televised on County Cable Montgomery

8:30 a.m. III. Discussion of Issues and Subcommittee Assignments

- A. **Proposals to Change the Structure of the Council**
Assigned to entire CRC
 - Expand the Council to 11 members—8 district and 3 at-large representatives (as advocated by Mr. Leggett)
 - Maintain the size of the Council, but go to all district representation (as advocated by the Civic Federation)
 - Maintain the size of the Council, but go to 8 district seats and one at-large seat
- B. **Full-Time versus Part-Time Compensation for Councilmembers**
Subcommittee members: Mr. Skelton, Mr. Skolnick, and Ms. Sternbach
 - Should Council positions be considered full-time or part-time for compensation purposes?
 - Should Councilmembers' outside employment be limited?
- C. **Congruency of Petition/Ballot Language**
Subcommittee members: Ms. Davis, Mr. McKeehan, and Mr. Scritchfield

- Draft proposal from Commissioner McKeehan
- Review letter from Civic Federation

D. Number of Signatures Required to Petition a Charter Amendment

Subcommittee members: Ms. Habermeier, Ms. Hawk and Ms. Kagan

- Charter Section 114 Referendum and Article XI-A, Section 5 of the MD Constitution.

E. Deadlines to Exercise an Executive Veto

- Charter Section 208 Veto. At the March 3 meeting, the Commission agreed to resubmit this issue as provided in the 2004 Report.

9:45 a.m. IV. Administrative Items

- Future Meeting Dates
October 20 (Councilmembers Silverman and Praisner are scheduled to attend)
October 17 (**Public Forum**, 7:30-9:30 p.m. COB, 7th floor)
November 17 (Councilmember Floreen is scheduled to attend)
December 15
- Review and approve July 28 minutes