

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
Wednesday, April 9, 2008 – 8:00 a.m.
6th Floor Conference Room
Council Office Building

Commission Members Present:

Nancy Soreng, Chair
Alice Gresham Bullock, Vice-Chair
Michael Cogan
Karen Czapanskiy
Wilbur Friedman
Mollie Habermeier
Robert Shoenberg
Judith Vandegriff
Anne Marie Vassallo
Charles Wolff

Staff:

Justina Ferber, County Council Staff
Marie Jean-Paul, County Council Staff
Marc Hansen, County Attorney's Office
Amanda Mihill, County Council Staff

Commission Chair Nancy Soreng called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

I. Administrative Items

Approved the minutes from the January 9 Commission meeting. Motion made by Alice Gresham Bullock and seconded by Judith Vandegriff. Those in favor: Alice Gresham Bullock, Karen Czapanskiy, Wilbur Friedman, Nancy Soreng, Judith Vandegriff, Anne Marie Vassallo, Charles Wolff.

Approved the minutes from the February 13 Commission meeting. Motion made by Alice Gresham Bullock and seconded by Judith Vandegriff. Those in favor: Alice Gresham Bullock, Karen Czapanskiy, Wilbur Friedman, Robert Shoenberg, Nancy Soreng, Judith Vandegriff, Anne Marie Vassallo, Charles Wolff.

Approved the minutes from the March 12 Commission meeting. Motion made by Alice Gresham Bullock and seconded by Karen Czapanskiy. Those in favor: Alice Gresham Bullock, Karen Czapanskiy, Wilbur Friedman, Robert Shoenberg, Nancy Soreng, Judith Vandegriff, Anne Marie Vassallo, Charles Wolff.

II. Discussion and action on draft Report

The Commission discussed the draft Report that was circulated to Commission members on April 3 and Commission members generally agreed to make several changes to be incorporated to the final report.

Approved the report as amended during the meeting. Motion made by Judith Vandegriff and seconded by Wilbur Friedman. Those in favor: Alice Gresham Bullock, Michael Cogan, Karen Czapanskiy, Wilbur Friedman, Mollie Habermeier, Robert Shoenberg, Nancy Soreng, Judith Vandegriff, Anne Marie Vassallo, Charles Wolff

III. Discussion of attendance policy.

Council staff discussed with Commission members the attendance policy as provided in County Code §2-148 and the importance of informing Council staff when members will be unable to attend a scheduled meeting. Commission members generally agreed to begin the new year for attendance purposes in June and to record excused absences in the meeting minutes.

IV. Agendas for future meetings

Commission members generally agreed not to hold a meeting in July or August and to devote the May meeting to developing a work plan for the next report, due May 1, 2010. Commission members further agreed that the Commission should hold an evening public hearing in October.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.