



**2018 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

The 2018 Charter Review Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, February 5, 2018, Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Room 1029, Austin, Texas.

Chair Palvino called the Commission Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Commission Authur	Commissioner Borgelt
Commissioner Hersh	Commissioner Lewis
Commissioner Martinez-Moncada	Commissioner Musselman
Chair Palvino	Vice-Chair Weigand

Commission Members absent:

Commissioner Cotera	Commissioner Smith
Commissioner Ward	

Staff in Attendance:

Jannette Goodall, City Clerk's Office
Myrna Rios, City Clerk's Office
Lynn Carter, Law Department

1) CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL (3 minutes to speak)

There were no citizens who registered to speak.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a) Approval of minutes from January 29, 2018 meeting.

The minutes of the January 29, 2018 meeting were approved on Commissioner Borgelt's motion, Vice-Chair Weigand's second on a 7-0 vote. Commissioner Authur was off the dais.

3) NEW BUSINESS

The Commission may discuss and take action on the following agenda items:

a) Briefing by Frank Rodriguez on City budget process.

Presentation was made by Frank Rodriguez, former staff member for Mayor Adler. The Commission requested that Mr. Rodriguez formalize the recommendations and bring back the recommendations at the February 26, 2018 Commission meeting.

b) Briefing by Lynn Carter on the 5th Circuit opinion on the Zimmerman lawsuit.

Presentation was made by Lynn Carter, Assistant City Attorney, Law Department.

c) Recommendation on an Independent Ethics Review Commission.

Presentation was made by Commissioner Lewis outlining the proposed structure, membership selection, duties and staffing needs of an independent ethics review commission. The Commission recommended the following:

- **Add a requirement that the executive director be “a licensed attorney in Texas” to section 3.01.**
- **Include an appeals process in section 4.**
- **Amend section 5.02 to require the applicant review panel be made up of outside auditors.**
- **Provide a detailed fiscal impact.**

d) Recommendation on Council pension.

This item was postponed until the February 12, 2018 Commission meeting without objection.

e) Discussion on the impact of redistricting on the 2022 Election.

This item was postponed until the February 12, 2018 Commission meeting without objection.

4) FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS

The Commission may discuss and identify additional meeting dates and future agenda items, topics or presentations.

a) Approval of the public hearing schedule.

A list of possible locations was provided by Jannette Goodall, City Clerk. The Commission selected the following dates as possible public hearings dependent upon facility availability:

- **March 20, 2018**
- **March 21, 2018**
- **March 27, 2018**
- **March 28, 2018**
- **April 3, 2018**
- **April 7, 2018 (start time 1 PM)**

Chair Palvino adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved on this the 12th day of February 2018 on Commissioner Borgelt’s motion, Commissioner Weigand’s second on a 10-0 vote. Commissioner Smith abstained.