



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

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MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
CHARTER REVISION BOARD
FORT LAUDERDALE EXECUTIVE AIRPORT
RED TAILS CONFERENCE ROOM
6000 NW 21ST AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33309
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024 – 5:30 P.M.

Cumulative Attendance
January-December 2024

Judith Stern, Chair	P	1	0
Christopher Fertig, Vice Chair	P	1	0
Harrison Grandwilliams	P	1	1
Richard Weiss	P	1	0
Jacqueline Scott	A	0	1

Staff

Paul Bangel, Assistant City Attorney
Patrick Reilly, City Auditor
Anthony Fajardo, Assistant City Manager
Casandra Brown, Assistant City Clerk
Jeri Pryor, Principal Commission Assistant
David Solomon, City Clerk

Communications to City Commission

None.

I. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Stern called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION - DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

It was noted a quorum was present at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF CORRECTED NOVEMBER 02ND 2023 AND DECEMBER 14TH MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Grandwilliams, seconded by Mr. Weiss, to approve corrected November 2nd, 2023, meeting minutes, and approve December 14th, 2023, meeting minutes, as presented. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- **3.15 – Initiative: petition for proposed ordinance.**
- **3.03 – Qualifications of members; forfeiture of office.**
- **3.09 – Organization meeting.**
- **3.10 – Special meeting to seat a new member.**
- **3.13 – Meeting place; meetings to be public.**
- **4.05 – City Manager; appointment; qualifications; compensation.**

A brief discussion ensued about amending the agenda to include items 3.13, 3.09, 3.10, and 4.05 from previous agenda.

Motion made by Mr. Grandwilliams, seconded by Mr. Weiss, to amend the agenda to include the additional items. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Attorney Bangel reviewed the proposed changes to 3.15 from the previous meeting. The Board

Motion made by Mr. Weiss, seconded by Mr. Fertig, to amend 3.15 to provide for a regular election, providing it is approved by the Supervisor of Elections. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Attorney Bangle continued with the proposed changes to 3.15.

The Board discussed charter language and charging fees for petition review. Consensus was reached to leave section as is.

Discussion continued about the following items within 3.15: petition form; petition copies; and petition signatures percentage.

Motion made by Mr. Fertig, seconded by Mr. Grandwilliams, to keep the required petition signatures at 1%. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

The Board continued to review 3.15.

Motion made by Mr. Weiss, seconded by Mr. Grandwilliams, to change title in section 3.15 (e)iii to Qualifying Deadline. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Fertig, seconded by Mr. Weiss, to change the start the 180-day deadline to the date of approval by the City Attorney in section 3.15 (e)iii. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Discussion ensued about the process and a joint workshop with the City Commission.

Attorney Bangel reviewed additional proposed changes to 3.15.

The Board discussed proposed changes to 3.03.

Discussions ensued with Mayor Trantalis about the definition of permanent resident.

The Board discussed historical changes in district boundaries.

Attorney Bangel summarized additional proposed changes to 3.03 regarding qualifications. Discussion ensued about qualifications and candidate oath.

Attorney Bangel reviewed proposed changes to 3.13 and Board discussion ensued about City Commission meetings and walk-on agenda items.

Attorney Bangel agreed to make edits and also research other charter provisions regarding meetings and agendas.

The Board decided to revisit 3.09 and 4.05.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- **Sec. 2-26 - Code of Ordinances**
- **Sec. 322.212 - Unauthorized possession of, and other unlawful acts in relations to, driver license or identification card**

The Board did not discuss items.

VI. CHARTER REVISION BOARD DISCUSSION

None.

VII. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

IX. GENERAL PUBLIC INPUT

None.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.

[Minutes prepared by T. Baclawski, Prototype, Inc.]