

1 The Charter Review Commission held a regular meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in
2 Seabrook City Hall, 1700 First Street, Seabrook Texas in the second floor conference room to discuss,
3 and if appropriate, take action on the items listed below.
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5 THOSE PRESENT WERE:

6 LAURA DAVIS	CHAIR
7 JOHN CHISLER	MEMBER
8 KEVIN FERGUSON	VICE-CHAIR
9 DELAINA HANSSSEN	MEMBER
10 DON HOLBROOK	MEMBER
11 DAVID JOHNSON	MEMBER
12 ELAINE RENOLA	MEMBER
13 GAYLE COOK	CITY MANAGER
14 STEVEN L. WEATHERED	CITY ATTORNEY
15 MICHELE L. GLASER	CITY SECRETARY

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17 Chair Laura Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
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19 **1.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

20 Pete Braccio, Dolphin Drive, spoke about proposed amendment to Section 11.28, stating that the
21 new wording may cause confusion and misinterpretation. He suggested that the following
22 sentence be added to Section 11.28 of the Charter, "*Compliance with this section does not*
23 *relieve any of the entities and their appointees from complying with any other sections of this*
24 *Charter.*" Mr. Braccio also stated that the oath of office taken by all Seabrook elected and
25 appointed officials states that each person shall comply with all federal, state and city laws.
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27 **2.0 NEW BUSINESS**

28 **2.1 Approve the minutes of the January 12, 2015 regular meeting.**

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30 Motion was made by Mr. Chisler and seconded by Mr. Ferguson
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32 To approve the minutes of January 12, 2015 as written.
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34 MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.
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36 **2.2 Review and sign final report with attachments of proposed Charter changes and ballot**
37 **propositions.**

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39 Mr. Weathered proposed a change to Proposition 20 as follows:
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41 "Shall Article XI, Section 11.28, "Other Charter Requirements" be amended to clarify, confirm
42 and specify that all city appointees of boards, corporations, organizations, committees and other
43 related entities shall conform to the requirements of the Charter provisions regulating personal
44 interest, conflicts of interest, nepotism and ethics? Currently the Charter **references application**
45 **[applies]** to entities and **does not specify [specifically to]** individual members. Budget impact
46 cannot be quantified due to variables."
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49 Mr. Ferguson suggested a modification to the above by changing the words “references
50 application” to “refers”, so that Ballot Proposition 20 will read as follows

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53 related entities shall conform to the requirements of the Charter provisions regulating personal
54 interest, conflicts of interest, nepotism and ethics? Currently the Charter refers [~~applies~~] to
55 entities and does not specify [~~specifically to~~] individual members. Budget impact cannot be
56 quantified due to variables.”

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58 Motion was made by Mr. Ferguson and seconded by Mr. Holbrook

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60 To approve the newly modified Proposition 20 as shown in lines 51-56 above.

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62 MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

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64 Motion was made by Mr. Chisler and seconded by Mr. Ferguson

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66 To discuss and review Mr. Braccio’s suggested revision to the Charter, Section 11.28.

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68 Motion was made by Mr. Ferguson and seconded by Mr. Holbrook

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70 To go into executive session to consult with the City Attorney.

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72 Ayes: Davis, Ferguson, Hanssen, Holbrook, Johnson, Renola.
73 Nays: Chisler.

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75 MOTION CARRIED BY MAJORITY VOTE.

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77 At 7:25 p.m. Mr. Weathered announced that the Charter Review Commission would now hold a
78 closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551,
79 Government Code and Vernon’s Texas Codes Annotated, in accordance with the authority
80 contained in Section 551.071, “Consultation with Attorney.”

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82 At 7:37 p.m. Chair Davis announced that the Commission would now reconvene in Open
83 Session and that no action had been taken during Executive Session.

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85 For the record, Mr. Chisler stated that he voted against going into Executive Session, as he is
86 opposed to Executive Sessions in general.

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88 Mr. Ferguson pointed out one typographical error in proposition 20. The word “committee”
89 should be plural. He also stated that there was a discrepancy in the citations for Ballot
90 Propositions 4 and 5 as referenced in the Charter, Section 2.09. Either the citations in the charter
91 need to be reversed or the language for ballot propositions 4 and 5 need to be reversed as they do
92 not match the citations in the charter. Mrs. Glaser stated that she thought the citations in the
93 charter needed to be reversed, but that she would review and correct.
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95 Mrs. Glaser stated that based on the last meeting, she had placed the budget impact at the end of
96 each proposition into sentence form.

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98 No action was taken concerning Mr. Braccio's recommendation.

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100 Motion was made by Mr. Holbrook and seconded by Mr. Chisler

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102 To accept the Final Report, Charter Amendments and Ballot Propositions with the following
103 changes:

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105 1. Change made to Ballot Proposition 20 as shown on lines 51-56 of these minutes:
106 2. Correct the discrepancy between the citations in Charter Section 4.09 and ballot
107 propositions 4 and 5.
108 3. Correct the spelling error in Proposition 20 by changing the word "committee" to
109 "committees".
110 4. Approve that the budget impact of each proposition is now in sentence form.

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112 MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

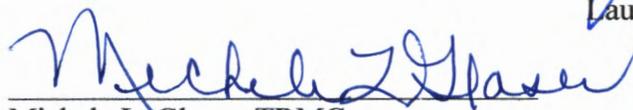
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114 Mr. Weathered stated that it is customary to allow the city attorney to make any minor
115 corrections not previously noticed, such as typographical or citation errors.

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117 Due to the above changes, Commission members agreed to hold a final meeting to approve
118 tonight's minutes. It was agreed to hold the meeting on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 in the first
119 floor conference room immediately before the Council meeting.

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121 Upon motion, Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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123 Approved this 3rd day of February, 2015.

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129 Laura Davis, Chair

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131 Michele L. Glaser, TRMC
132 City Secretary

