



REPORT TO 2009 Sacramento Charter Review Committee

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Staff Report
May 18, 2009

**Honorable Chair and
Members of the Committee**

Title: June Status Report to City Council

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Summary of Issue: At the request of the Committee, this report includes a draft status report to City Council for Charter Review Committee review.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
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Attachments

1 Background

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The Sacramento Charter Review Committee held its first meeting on April 2, 2009 and has adopted a twice per month meeting schedule. A website has been created (www.cityofsacramento.org/charter) to provide information to the public about the Committee. The website also includes a “Contact Us” link that allows the community to provide comments to the Committee. Committee meetings are being video streamed and can be viewed live on the City’s website. Archived video of meetings are available on the website as well.

The Committee has adopted a formal Outreach Plan with the goal of informing and engaging the community in the Charter Review process. In addition to a number of outreach strategies, the Outreach Plan includes eight (8) community forums intended to provide residents with an opportunity to learn more about the Charter Review process and to receive public input.

A short summary of each Committee meeting to date is provided below.

April 2, 2009

- Introduction of Committee Members and Staff
- Brown Act Orientation
- Parliamentary Procedure
- Meeting Calendar

April 20, 2009

- Selection of Chair/Vice Chair
- Review of the City Charter
- Review of City’s Governance Structure
- Review of Strong Mayor Proposal
- Work Plan Discussion

May 7, 2009

- Committee Meeting Topics/Speakers
- Strategies For Receiving Information
- Decision Making Process

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- Panel Discussion – Governance/Budget Process (Academic Focus)
- Updated Work Plan
- Public Outreach Plan

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- Panel Discussion – Governance/Budget Process (Practitioner Focus)
- Resource/Reference Materials