



Minutes City of Sacramento 2009 Sacramento Charter Review Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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| ◆William Edgar, Chair | ◆Grantland Johnson | ◆Chester Newland | ◆Tina Thomas |
| ◆JoAnn Fuller, Vice-Chair | ◆Alan LoFaso | ◆Chris Tapio | ◆Jay Wisham |
| ◆Cecily Hastings | ◆Robert Murphy | ◆John Taylor | |

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New City Hall
915 I Street, 1st Floor – Council Chamber
Monday - May 18, 2009 – 6:00 P.M.

The 2009 Sacramento Charter Review Committee is an advisory body to the City Council with review and recommendation authority. Its purpose is to review the City's current Charter and make recommendations for amendment with a final report to be presented to the City Council on or before January 26, 2010.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

You are welcomed and encouraged to participate in this meeting. Public comment is taken (per time allotted) on items listed on the agenda when they are called. Public Comment on items not listed on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting as noted on the agenda. Comments on controversial items may be limited and large groups are encouraged to select 3-5 speakers to represent the opinion of the group.

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The order of Agenda items are listed for reference and may be taken in any order deemed appropriate by the Committee. The Agenda provides a general description and staff recommendations; however, the Committee may take action other than what is recommended. The Agenda is available for public review at 915 I Street, courtyard posting kiosks. Hard copies are available from the City Clerk's Office. (10 cents per page)

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MINUTES

Monday, May 18, 2009

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All items listed are heard and acted upon by the Committee unless otherwise noted.

Call to Order – 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call – called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chair Bill Edgar; members Hastings and Taylor were absent (excused); member Johnson arrived at 6:20 p.m.

Staff Comment – None.

Discussion and Reports

Discussion or action reports include oral presentations including those recommending receive and file.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

Action: Moved, seconded, carried (LoFaso/Thomas) approval of May 7, 2009 minutes as amended.

2. **Correspondence**

Action: Received and filed. Chair Edgar requested staff to prepare draft letter for his signature in response to correspondence received by Dorothy Meadors requesting that the Committee consider SCERS retirement inequities advising her that her request is not within the purview of the Committee.

3. **Panel Discussion – Governance & Budget Process**

Raphael J. Sonenshein, Ph.D. – California State University, Fullerton

James H. Svara, Ph.D. – Arizona State University

Robert J. Waste, Ph.D. – California State University, Sacramento

Action: Public comment given by Mel Billingsley. The panelist's presentations were followed by discussion between Committee and panel.

4. **Updated Committee Work Plan**

- a. Outreach Plan
- b. Meeting Calendar
- c. Pool of Potential Speakers
- d. Benchmark Cities Matrix

Action: Member Newland requested that FAQs be added to the website and that the website be kept up to date. The Committee also suggested refining the outreach brochure to simplify the narrative related to the Committee’s charge and governmental structure description.

5. June Status Report to Council

Action: It was agreed that Chair Edgar would present the report and the first draft would be prepared by staff to share at the next Committee meeting. The report will be presented to Council on June 23.

Public Comments- Matters Not on the Agenda – None.

Committee Ideas, Questions and Announcements

Vice Chair Fuller requested that the work plan capture minority representation and proportional representation as a discussion item to include the impact it has on communities. Member Johnson suggested that Henry Cisneros, former Mayor of San Antonio, Texas and David Rusk, former Mayor of Albuquerque, New Mexico, be added to the speaker panel to address this issue.

Adjournment – Moved, seconded, carried (LaFaso/Fuller) to adjourn at 9:13 to the June 4 next regular meeting.