

Sacramento Charter Review Committee

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Meeting	Day	Topics	Resources	Discussion Points/Focus
05/07/09	Thursday	Committee Workplan - Establish Criteria for Benchmark Cities - Establish Benchmark Cities - Discuss Potential Speakers	"Are Elected Executives Needed to Achieve Accountability to Citizens?" by James H. Savra, Ph.D., Arizona State University Public comments received	N/A
05/18/09	Monday	Governance (Academicians Focus) - Council-Manager/Strong Mayor - Delegation/Reservation of Powers - Appt./Removal of Officers/Employees - Budget Process	Panel discussion with James H. Savra, Ph.D.; Raphael Sonenshein, Ph.D.; and Robert J. Waste, Ph.D. "The Visionary Facilitator in City Hall and the County Courthouse" by James, H. Savra, Ph.D. "Charter Reform: How to Think about It" by John Nalbandian, Ph.D.	Benefits/limitations of unified vs. separated executive and legislative branches in local government (impact on policy development, leadership, accountability, etc.) Why do cities convert to/from unified vs. separated governmental structures? What have been their/others' impressions after the change? Examples? What are the typical appointment powers of Mayor vs. City Manager? Why? Pros/cons of Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget?
06/04/09	Thursday	Governance (Practitioner Focus) - Council-Manager/Strong Mayor - Delegation/Reservation of Powers - Appt./Removal of Officers/Employees - Budget Process	Panel discussion with Gerald Newfarmer, Daniel Whitehurst and Henry Gardner A Call For Policy Based Budgeting in an Era of Diminishing Resources & Expanding Needs: A Review of the City & County of San Francisco's Development & Financial Planning Process - Management Partners, Inc. - Dec. 2008	Benefits/limitations of unified vs. separated executive and legislative branches in local government (impact on policy development, leadership, accountability, etc.) Why do cities convert to/from unified vs. separated governmental structures? What have been their/others' impressions after the change? Examples? What effect does the governmental structure have, if any, on civil service recruitment and administration of the City? Why? Pros/cons of Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget from a practitioner's point of view?
06/15/09	Monday	Governance (Budget Practitioners)	Russ Fehr - Budget Overview Panel discussion with Russ Fehr, Jay Goldstone, and Matthew Hymel	Describe the strengths and limitations of the budget development processes you have experience with (including roles, responsibilities and authorities). What influence, if any, does the governmental structure have on the process? What are the pros/cons of a Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget? If you had the opportunity to design an organizational structure to promote effective fiscal management, budget development processes and public policy development, what would such a structure look like and why?
06/23/09	Tuesday	Status Report to Council		
07/02/09	Thursday	Governance (Organizations) Elections Process - Term Limits - Run-off Elections - Proportional Representation	Presentations by National Civic League (Derek Okubo) and ICMA (Dave Mora) Asst. City Clerk Stephanie Mizuno County Registrar of Voters, Jill Lavine Fairvote.org flyers on Instant Runoff Voting & Proportional Representation	Organizational Perspectives on Governance/Budget Process City Election Process; Term Limits County Election Process
07/08/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Pannell-Meadowview Community Center	2450 Meadowview Road
07/13/09	Monday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	South Natomas Community Center	2921 Truxel Road

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07/15/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Stockton Blvd. Resources Center	5625 Stockton Blvd.
07/20/09	Monday	Community Meeting - 6:30PM	Hart Senior Center	915 27th Street
07/20/09	Monday 7:30PM	Elections Process - Term Limits - Run-off Elections - Proportional Representation	Presentation by New America Foundation (Blair Bobier)	
08/03/09	Monday	Community Outreach Meeting Follow-up Tentative Decision Making - Governance/Budget Process		
08/17/09	Monday	Tentative Decision Making - Elections Issues Full-Time Status for Mayor & Council Members		
08/25/09	Tuesday	Status Report to Council		
09/03/09	Thursday	Full-Time Status for Mayor & Council Members Tentative Decision Making - Full-Time Status Issue		
09/09/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Pannell-Meadowview Community Center	2450 Meadowview Road
09/14/09	Monday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Robertson Community Center	3225 Norwood Avenue
09/16/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Coloma Community Center	4623 T Street
09/21/09	Monday	Community Meeting - 6:30PM	Hart Senior Center	915 27th Street
09/21/09	Monday 7:30PM	Community Outreach Meeting Follow-Up Ethics Commission (Academics)		
10/01/09	Thursday	Community Outreach Meeting Follow-up Ethics Commission (Practicioners/Organizations) Tentative Decision Making - Ethics Commission		
10/19/09	Monday	Green Waste		
10/27/09	Tuesday	Status Report to Council		
11/05/09	Thursday	Reserved for Revisiting Topics/Testimony - Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics - Opportunity to discuss other topics		
11/09/09	Monday	Community Meeting -7:00PM	Mims-Hagginwood Community Center	3271 Marysville Blvd.
11/16/09	Monday	Community Meeting - 6:30PM	Hart Senior Center	915 27th Street
11/16/09	Monday 7:30PM	Discussion of Recommendations - Opportunity to discuss other topics - Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics - Discuss/Reach consensus on recommendations		
11/18/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Pannell-Meadowview Community Center	2450 Meadowview Road
11/18/09	Wednesday	Community Meeting - 7:00PM	Coloma Community Center	4623 T Street

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12/03/09	Thursday	Discussion of Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Opportunity to discuss other topics- Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics- Discuss Reach consensus on recommendations		
12/15/09	Tuesday	Present Preliminary Report to Council		
01/07/10	Thursday	Refinement of Report		
01/11/10	Monday	Refinement of Report		
01/19/10	Tuesday	Present Final Report to Council		