

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Community Development Department – Large Conference Room 979 San Pablo Avenue, Albany Tuesday, October 14, 2008 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Selection of a Vice-Chair

Committee Member Outis nominated Bart Grossman, Committee Member Jordan seconded the nomination. Motion carried and so ordered.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Members Grossman, Outis, Jordan & Chair Wallace

Absent:

Members: Berul, Holan & Mathiasen

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3-1. July 8, 2008.

Committee Member Outis noted a typographical error on the spelling of his last name on page 2.

MOTION:

Moved by Committee Member Outis, seconded by Committee Member Grossman to approve the minutes as submitted.

AYES: Committee Members Grossman, Outis & Chair Wallace

NOES: None ABSTAIN: Committee Member Jordan

ABSENT: Committee Member Berul, Holan & Mathiasen

Motion carried and so ordered.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

For persons desiring to address the Commission/Committee/Board on an item that is not on the agenda please note that each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Committee's ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

5. DISCUSSIONS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

- 5-1. Consideration of Instant Run-Off Voting
- 5-2. Choice Voting Representation in Multi-Seat Districts

Committee Member Jordan gave a presentation on Instant Run-Off Voting (IRV) and gave out information from the cities of Burlington, San Francisco and Los Angeles. He also gave a presentation on Choice Voting asking the following questions: 1) What is the largest group of voters that should be unrepresented? 2) What is the smallest group of voters that should be represented?

Chair Wallace noted that he had to leave the meeting early, as he had to attend the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting. However, before he leaves the Committee needs to think about the next month's meeting as the 2nd

Tuesday, is a City holiday. The Committee decided to have the City Clerk check to see if a room would be available for the 4th Tuesday in November.

7:55 p.m. – Chair Wallace left the meeting.

The Committee asked a lot of questions regarding both IRV and Choice Voting. Committee Member Jordan noted that he just wanted to give an overview of this to the group and if needed would give an in-depth presentation to the new Charter Review Committee after the election. It was noted that if the Committee takes up this subject that public education is a must so that people understand both systems.

The City Clerk asked Committee Member Jordan whether he would like this item on the next agenda for discussion and he stated no. The City Clerk then asked the Committee if there was nothing on the agenda why meet and they agreed stating to relay this information to the Chair.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7-1. Reorganization

8. ADJOURNMENT

8:30 p.m. – There being no further business before the Committee it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

MICHAEL WALLACE

CHAIR

ATTEST:

JACQUELINE L. BUCHOLZ, CMC

CITY CLERK