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CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Second Floor, Room 2008
Tenth Street Place
1010 10th Street, Modesto, California

Tuesday, August 21, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Committee Members: Altman, Bairey, Bernal, Cogdill, Harrigfeld, Lucas, Petrulakis, Shores, Williams, Wright

Absent: Altman, Bernal, Williams

Councilmembers Dunbar, Hawn, Keating, Marsh, O'Bryant, Olsen, Mayor Ridenour

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Three minute time limit per speaker

Only interested persons in the audience may present these matters. Under State law, Committee Members may respond to matters being presented under this item only as follows:

- a. Briefly respond to statements made or questions raised.
- b. Ask a question for clarification.
- c. Provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information.
- d. Request staff to report back at a subsequent meeting.
- e. Finally, a Committee Member or the Committee itself may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

CONSENT ITEMS – ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED: Item #1

Information concerning the consent items listed above has been forwarded to each Committee Member prior to this meeting for study. Unless some member of the audience or Committee Member has a question concerning an item and asks that

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it be withdrawn from the consent list, the Committee approves the items at one time. The action taken by the Committee in approving consent items is set forth in the explanation of this individual item.

Any and all of the following agenda items are subject to action by the Charter Review Committee.

CONSENT ITEMS

An item may be removed from consent and discussed at the request of an audience member or Committee Member.

CONSENT

1. Consider approving minutes from the Charter Review Committee Meeting on August 13, 2007.
Minutes of previous meetings were unanimously approved by the Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss Accountability Reforms Including Mayor's Powers, Budget Procedure and Statement of Policy for City Departments.
Support Materials: Draft Language Sec. 600 et al

Committee members discussed proposed provisions, and provided direction on the proposed draft, including nepotism policy. Committee requested that copies of sample Statement of Policies for City Departments from the City of Stockton be obtained if possible. Committee requested that the draft language be completed and returned for action by the Committee.

2. Discuss Advisory Vote Public Outreach Program
Support Materials: Informational Mailer
Committee members approved of the informational mailer contents, with minor revisions; Staff to communicate needed revisions to Doug Johnson.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

These may be presented by members of the Committee and staff upon determination by a majority vote that an emergency exists, as defined by State law, or by a 2/3 vote that (1) there is a need to take immediate action, and (2) that the need for action came to the City's attention after the agenda was posted.

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Compensation Issues
2. Redistricting Language
3. Submission of Final Report to Council

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

BY ORDER OF THE CHAIR

JEAN MORRIS City Clerk

By _____
Susana Alcala Wood, City Attorney