AMENDED MINUTES

City of Modesto
CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE/
SPECIAL COUNCIL WORKSHOP
Conference Room 2001, Second Floor
Tenth Street Place
1010 10th Street, Modesto, California

Tuesday, February 5, 2020, at 5:30 PM

Roll Call – Present: Committee Members Chair Cecil Russell, Vice Chair Sam Pierstorff, Aaron Anguiano, Wendy Byrd, Janice Keating, Chris Tyler, Mike Moradian, Jose Sabala, Renaldo Rucker, and Sandra Lucas
Absent: Tim Ragsdale
Roll Call – Also Present: Regional Ad Hoc Members George Petrlakis and John Walker; Monica Valencia and Dewey Bedford (Alternates)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

CONSENT


ACTION: Motion (Tyler/Moradian; 10/0) approving the Minutes from the January 22, 2020 Charter Review Committee.
NEW BUSINESS

2. Consider reviewing suggested topics for consideration provided by the Mayor and Council, as well as City staff, as part of the Charter review.

The Committee members reviewed the Memos provided by the City Manager and City Attorney for Sections of the Charter to be reviewed:

Section 800 – City Manager:
Staff is directed to return to the Committee at the next meeting with information regarding California Government Code Section 50083 and how it applies to the City Charter with regards to residency of the City Manager.

Section 1104 – Meetings/Chairpersons:
ACTION: Motion (Tyler/Lucas; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing staff to return with revised language for consideration.

Section 1107-1111 – Board of Personnel Appeals, Powers and Duties – Human Relations Commission:
ACTION: Motion (Tyler/Lucas; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing staff to return with revised language for consideration; staff is directed to return with background and historical information for the Boards and Commissions.

Section 1205 – Hearing Officer:
ACTION: Motion (Tyler/Keating; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing the City Manager to return with updated language to “modernize” Section 1205 for current practices of the City.

Section 1302.1-1304 – Annual Budget:
This Section deferred for a total “budget” discussion by the Commission.

Section 1307 – Public Work to be Done by Contract:
ACTION: Motion (Moradian/Sabala; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing staff to return with revised language for consideration.

Section 1311 – Contracts for Official Advertising:
ACTION: Motion (Moradian/Sabala; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing staff to return with revised language for consideration.

Section 1313 – Purchase of Supplies and Equipment:
ACTION: Motion (Pierstorff/Byrd; 10/0; Ragsdale absent) directing staff to return with revised language for consideration, including “The Council shall annually adopt and maintain policies and procedures, including bidding regulations, governing purchases of supplies and equipment by the City.

The Committee will discuss at the next Charter Review Committee meeting on February 19, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in Conference Room 2001 the following: (i) clean-up items above; and (ii) Section 601 – Powers and Duties of Mayor and suggested topics for consideration provided by the Mayor and Council, as well as City staff, as part of the Charter review.
COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Wendy Byrd raised concerns about the process, the short timeline for interviewing applicants, and insufficient deliberation for the four (4) additional community members selected on January 20, 2020 which, in her opinion, resulted in inequitable representation and a potential omission of a highly qualified applicant from being appointed to the committee.

MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

None.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion (Tyler/Anguiano; 10/0) adjourning meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Attest: ____________________________
Stephanie Lopez, City Clerk