

MINUTES
HOME RULE CHARTER COMMISSION (HRCC) MEETING

February 11, 2020

CALL TO ORDER – Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum

The Home Rule Charter Commission (HRCC) met on the above date. Chair Macduff called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and noted there was a quorum.

HOME RULE CHARTER COMMISSION MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES

HRCC Members

- ✓ 1. Z Marshall
- ✓ 2. James A. “Andy” Redmond
- ✓ 3. Billy Barron (Secretary)
- ✓ 4. David Gilmore
- ✓ 5. Tom Macduff (Chair)
- ✓ 6. Randy Kercho (Vice Chair)
- ✓ 7. Homer Adams II
- ✓ 8. Todd Fecht
- ✓ 9. Scott Livesay

HRCC Alternates

- ✓ 1. Terry M. Lynch

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AMERICAN PLEDGE: Homer Adams led the pledge.

TEXAS PLEDGE: David Gilmore led the pledge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION ITEMS

1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR JANUARY 14, 2020. [BARRON]
Approved unanimously. Note: Alternate Lynch voted because Commissioner Redmond had not arrived yet.

2. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL ON A PREAMBLE. [MACDUFF]

Motion by Commissioner Livesay and second by Commissioner Redmond that Parker's charter should have a Preamble. Passed 6-2 (Fecht, Marshall against).

3. MONTHLY VOTE ON PREFERRED FORM OF GOVERNMENT. [MACDUFF]

Motion by Secretary Barron and second by Commissioner Livesay to hold this vote. The result was 2 for Strong Mayor-Council (Gilmore, Redmond), 2 for Weak Mayor-Council (Kercho, Adams), 3 for Council-Manager (Marshall, Livesay, Barron) and 1 Abstained (Fecht).

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ON FORMATION OF TWO TO THREE PERSON GROUPS TO STUDY/RECOMMEND PREFERRED AUTHORITIES, RESPONSIBILITIES, ETC FOR COUNCIL; MAYOR; MANAGER POSITIONS OPERATING UNDER A COUNCIL/MANAGER CHARTER [MACDUFF]

Motion by Secretary Barron and second by Commissioner Marshall to form two subcommittees. The first subcommittee is to investigate Mayor-Council form of government with Commissioner Adams leading with Commissioner Redmond, Vice Chair Kercho, and Commissioner Fecht. The second subcommittee is to investigate Council-Manager form of government with Commissioner Livesay leading with Commissioner Gilmore, Commissioner Marshall, and Secretary Barron. Both groups will prepare to present their form at the next HRCC meeting.

ROUTINE ITEMS

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Not discussed

6. ADJOURN

Chair Macduff adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Minutes Approved on 10th day of March, 2020.




Chairperson Tom Macduff


Commission Secretary Billy Barron

Attest:


City Secretary Patti Scott Grey

Exhibit(s): **None**

Parker HRCC Duty	Powers & Duties of the Mayor Curr Stance	Duty	Curr Stance
Duties of the Mayor	As provided in Charter	Appoint City Attorney	<i>Same as City Administrator / Manager</i>
Appoint individuals to all Boards created by the Charter	Council & Mayor reviews the applicants; Council votes as to who is on Board	Appoint Judge of Municipal Court	Appoint by majority vote of Council
Removing Board appointees	<i>Mayor & or any Council Member may seek to remove Board appointees w/ majority Council Approval</i>	Administrative control over all Depts	???
Have all laws & ordinances enforced	???	Can move employees(not Heads) from one Dept to another	???
Preside at all City Council Meetings	Yes	Prepare and submit Annual Budget	???
Head for Ceremonial, Civil, Emergency & Military Purposes	Yes	Keeps Council fully advised of financials and needs of City	???
Appointing Heads of Depts	<i>Mayor & a 2 person subcommittee to recommend to Council Heads of Dept to be voted on by Council</i>	Power to settle claims & lawsuits	Power to settle all claims & lawsuits w/o Council if < \$5k
Removing or Suspending Employees	<i>Mayor may Suspend Dept Heads subject to Council & Legal approval. Staff can be removed by Dept Heads</i>	Delegate duties to City Administrator as deemed necessary	???
Appointment of City Administrator	<i>Appoint City Administrator/ Manager subject to confirmation by Council (may not be terminated by Mayor but can be suspended by Mayor - final termination subject to Council approval and legal)</i>		