



City of Rowlett Meeting Minutes

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City Council Charter Review Commission

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Monday, December 10, 2012

6:00 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

Present: Mayor Todd Gottel, Mayor Pro Tem Dough Phillips, Councilmember Chris Kilgore, Councilmember Donna Davis, Councilmember Carl Pankratz, Michael Lucas, Tammy Dana-Bashian, Mick Donnelly, Whitney Laning, Pam Liston, Jeffrey Sheldon, Brownie Sherrill, David Jenkins (Alternate), Kevin Lawson (Alternate), Susie Quinn (Alternate), Deb Shinder (Alternate), Lynda Humble (City Manager), Laura Hallmark (City Secretary)

Absent: Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Michael Gallops, Councilmember Ron Miller

1. Call to order.

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
Chairman Lucas called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Consider approving minutes from the December 3, 2012, Charter Review Commission Meeting.

Motion by Brownie Sherrill with second by Whitney Laning to approve minutes as presented.
Motion passed by a unanimous vote of those members present.

3. Public Input.

There were no public comments.

4. Receive input from Mayor and Councilmembers.

Mayor Gottel thanked Commissioners for serving. Councilmembers reviewed the items outlined in the scope for the Commission and provided additional comments regarding: recall provision, term limits, conflicts with State Law/Constitution, and a general review of the entire document.

Discussion regarding the recall provision included comments about the process being almost unattainable. Councilmembers stated the process needs to be stringent, but not impossible.

Discussion regarding term limits centered around regional opportunities in terms of service on committees and establishing relationships within regional entities.

Discussion regarding conflicts with State Law/Constitution included the information provided by Mr. Berman and providing an opportunity for citizens to have a vote in the proposed change and providing Council with the ability to make changes when citizens have already had a vote.

Councilmembers also requested the Commission do a general review of the entire document and welcomed any suggestions the Commission may bring forward.

5. Discussion and action on possible Charter items for review.

There were no additional specific items suggested for review.

6. Form sub-committees for review of items.

Chairman Lucas passed around a sign-up sheet for the four sub-committees. Members are as follows:

Term Limits	Recall Provision	Legal Conformance	General Review
Brownie Sherrill	Jeffrey Sheldon	Brownie Sherrill	Mick Donnelly
Mick Donnelly	Pam Liston	Whitney Laning	Jeffrey Sheldon
Tammy Dana-Bashian	Whitney Laning	Susie Quinn (Alt)	Pam Liston
Kevin Lawson (Alt)	David Jenkins (Alt)	Deb Shinder (Alt)	Susie Quinn (Alt)
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7. Public Announcements: Members of the Council, Commission and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No members may discuss nor take any action with regards to the announcements.

Mayor Gottel announced that City offices are closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24-25, 2012, and Tuesday, January 1, 2013.

8. Members of the Charter Review Commission may request topics for future agenda meetings. No member of the Commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on the posted agenda.

Further discussion regarding sub-committees. Chairman Lucas asked that sub-committees report on their findings at the January 7, 2013 meeting.

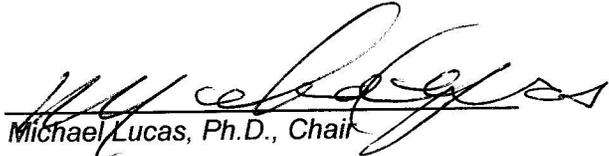
9. Adjournment.

Upon a motion by Jeffrey Sheldon with second by Whitney Laning and an unanimous vote of those members present, Chairman Lucas adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Gottel adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.



Todd Gottel, Mayor



Michael Lucas, Ph.D., Chair



Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: 1-15-13