

State of Texas

Brazoria County

City of Freeport

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City of Freeport, Charter Review Commission, met on Wednesday, September 9th, 2009 at 5:20 p.m., at the Freeport City Hall, 200 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Freeport Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

Charter Review Commission:           William W. Rains – Chairman  
  Tobey Davenport – Vice Chairman  
  Dorothy Pirrung - Absent  
  Annette Sanford - Board Member  
  Jeff Pynes – Board Member

Call to Order.

William W. Rains opened the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

Comments from Visitors or Guests

There were none.

Discuss City Charter Chapters 1-3.

Jeff Pynes reviewed and discussed Section 3.09 Meetings of the City Council. The charter states that City Council shall have two regular meetings per month. There are times when one meeting is sufficient for the month. The charter does state that a meeting may be cancelled or the location changed by the Mayor. He explained that in the past, when a meeting is changed or cancelled the issue has been on the agenda for consideration.

Tobey Davenport reviewed and discussed Section 3.06 Vacancies. The charter states that in the event of the occurrence of a vacancy in the City Council within a twelve month period in which a vacancy in the City Council has been filled by the said City Council, or in the event that more than one vacancy shall occur at the same time; then in such event a special election shall be held within (40) days from the date the last vacancy occurred, for the purpose of electing the successor or successors. He suggested having this changed to an ordinance instead of having a special election.

William Rains reviewed and discussed Section 3.07 Powers of the City Council, (g) & (i). No change at this time.

Discuss future meeting time.

The meeting time will be at 5:15 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m.

Chapters to discuss next meeting will be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)

The commission will review Chapters 4 and 5 at the next meeting and possibly revisit Chapter 1, 2, and 3.

Other questions from members.

Tobey Davenport suggested checking with State Laws that could affect the purposed changes to the Charter.

He asked Mr. Pynes if his staff had any changes to the Charter. Mr. Pynes said no at this time.

Adjourn

On a motion by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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Chairman/William W. Rains