

GO COMMITTEE #1
June 11, 2012

Interviews

MEMORANDUM

June 7, 2012

TO: Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee
FROM: Linda Lauer, Clerk 
SUBJECT: Charter Review Commission - Interviews to fill two vacancies

Two of the Council appointees on the Charter Review Commission have submitted their resignations: Jerry Pasternak (D) and Pamela Mason (R). After extending the solicitation twice the Council has received 8 applications, and all eight are scheduled for interview today.

The Commission is composed of eleven residents of the County appointed by the Council, five of whom are from a list of names submitted by the County Executive. No more than six members can be from the same political party. Since there are currently five Democrats serving on the Commission, no more than one of these new appointments can be a Democrat.

The following applicants are scheduled for interviews on **Monday, June 11, at 10:00 am** in the 3rd floor conference room. The interviews will be conducted in two panels of four applicants each.

Jerry Cave (R)
Barry E. Cohen (D)
Mark D. Fennel (R)
Wilbur H. Friedman (D)

Jerrold S. Garson (D)
Robert Katz, PH.D (D)
Milton J. Minneman (D)
Matthew A. Nisenoff (D)

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**CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
APPLICANTS**

Name of Applicant	Political Affiliation
Jerry Cave	Republican
Barry E. Cohen	Democrat
Mark D. Fennel	Republican
Wilbur H. Friedman	Democrat
Jerrold S. Garson	Democrat
Robert Katz, PH.D	Democrat
Milton J. Minneman	Democrat
Matthew A. Nisenoff	Democrat

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

- Created -- Charter of Montgomery County. Maryland Section 509
- Purpose -- To study the Charter and report at least once to the County Council on its activities within one year after appointment. Commission reports shall be submitted not later than May 1 of every even-numbered year. The reports shall contain recommendations concerning proposed Charter amendments, if any.
- Membership -- Eleven members who shall be residents of the County, five of whom shall be appointed from a list of names submitted by the County Executive. Not more than six members shall be of the same political party.
- Terms -- Four year terms to coincide with the Council term of office. No compensation. Amanda Mihill, 240-777-7815

Resolution No.: 17-124
Introduced: May 10, 2011
Adopted: May 10, 2011

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Appointment of the Charter Review Commission

Background

1. Section 509, Montgomery County Charter, specifies that a Charter Review Commission shall be appointed by the County Council, within six months after the Council assumes office, for the purpose of studying the Charter.
2. The Charter Review Commission must submit its recommendations concerning proposed Charter amendments, if any, to the County Council no later than May 1, of every even-numbered year.
3. The Charter Review Commission has eleven members, with no more than six members of the same political party, five of the members shall be appointed from a list of names submitted by the County Executive.
4. The Council designates the Chairperson of the Commission and the County Executive designates the Vice-Chairperson.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

1. Appointment of the following County Executive designees to the Charter Review Commission:

Democrats

Mark Feinroth
Olney, MD

Wendell Hollloway
Potomac, MD

Guled Kassim
Derwood, MD

Republicans

Diane Nash Dillon
Kensington, MD

Independent

Mariana Cordier
Potomac, MD

2. Appointment of the following County Council designees to the Charter Review Commission:

Democrats

Jeannie E. Cho, Esq.
Rockville, MD

Molly Mahoney Matthews
Bethesda, MD

Jerry Pasternak
Silver Spring, MD

Republicans

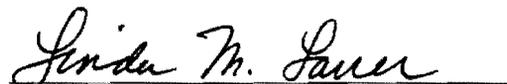
Thomas M. King
Olney, MD

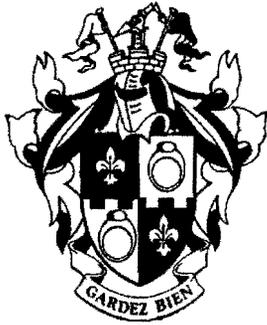
Pamela A. Mason
Glen Echo, MD

Albert J. Pearce
Olney, MD

3. The County Council designates Molly Mahoney Matthews as Chairperson and the County Executive designates Mark Feinroth as Vice-Chairperson.
4. The term of the Commission expires on December 1, 2014.

This is a correct copy of Council action.


Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council



Montgomery County Council

For Immediate Release

April 13, 2012

Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Two Vacancies on Charter Review Commission

Deadline to Submit Applications Extended to Wed., May 16

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 13, 2012—The Montgomery County Council is accepting applications to fill two unexpired terms on the Charter Review Commission. The appointees may be a Democrat, Republican or someone who declines to affiliate with a party, or a member of another party officially recognized by the Board of Elections.

Applicants should submit letters of interest by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16. Since there have been so few responses to an earlier recruitment, the search has been extended. The applications received earlier will be incorporated into this expanded search.

The Commission meets once a month, at 8 a.m. on the second Wednesday, in the Council Office Building in Rockville.

The County Charter was amended in 1976 to provide that a Charter Review Commission be appointed by the County Council every four years to study the Charter. The Commission researches and evaluates Charter issues raised by the County Executive, County Council, other government officials, and the public. Commission reports are submitted no later than May 1 of every even-numbered year. These reports contain recommendations concerning any proposed Charter amendments.

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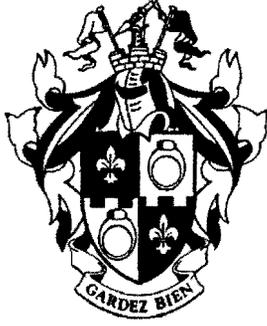
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Applicants should submit letters of interest with a resume to: Roger Berliner, President, Montgomery County Council, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville, Maryland 20850 by 5 p.m. on May 16. Resumes should include professional and civic experience, political party affiliation, home and office telephone numbers and an e-mail address. Letters and resumes submitted are made public as part of the appointment process. Members of County boards, committees and commissions may not serve on more than one such group at a time.

For more information about the Charter Review Commission or how to apply for consideration to become a commission member, call Linda Lauer at 240-777-7979.

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Montgomery County Council

For Immediate Release

March 7, 2012

Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Two Vacancies on Charter Review Commission

Deadline to Submit Applications Extended to Wed., April 11

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Applicants should submit letters of interest by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11. Since there was only one response to an earlier recruitment for the first vacant unexpired term, that search has been extended to the April 11 deadline. The application received earlier will be incorporated into this expanded search.

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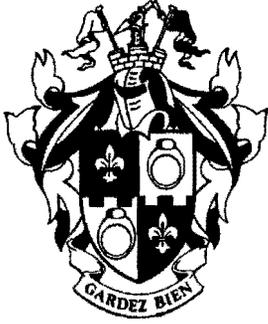
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Montgomery County Council

For Immediate Release

January 27, 2012

Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Charter Review Commission

Deadline to Submit Applications is Wednesday, Feb. 29

ROCKVILLE, Md., January 27, 2012—The Montgomery County Council is accepting applications to fill an unexpired term on the Charter Review Commission. The appointee may be a Republican or someone who declines to affiliate with a party, or a member of another party officially recognized by the Board of Elections.

Applicants should submit letters of interest by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 29.

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The Commission is composed of 11 residents of the County, five of whom are appointed from a list of names submitted by the County Executive. No more than six members can be from the same political party. Since six Democrats are currently serving on the Commission, applications from Democrats will not be considered for this particular vacancy.

Applicants should submit letters of interest with a resume to: Roger Berliner, President, Montgomery County Council, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville, Maryland 20850 by 5 p.m. on Feb. 29. Resumes should include professional and civic experience, political party affiliation, home and office telephone numbers and an e-mail address. Letters and resumes submitted are made public as part of the

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