

**AGENDA**  
**CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, February 8, 2012**  
**Council Office Building**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**8:00 a.m. I. Opening Comments and Approval of Minutes**

- Approval of minutes from January 11 meeting

**8:05 a.m. II. Meeting with League of Women Voters – Council Structure**

- Linna Barnes will discuss the League of Women Voters Fact Sheet Entitled “The Composition of the Montgomery County Council”

**8:30 a.m. III. Discussion – Draft Report**

**Issues Raised**

1. Allow a special hiring authority for people with disabilities
  - There was general consensus that the Commission continue to study this issue for possible recommendations.
  - Additional Questions re Disability Hiring to send Mr. Maxin.
2. Council structure
  - Increasing the size of the Council by 2 district members
  - Abolish Council districts
  - Having a 4-year Council President term
  - There was general consensus that the Commission continue to study this issue for possible recommendations.
3. Collective bargaining and the authority for the County Executive to fund or not fund the bargaining contracts
  - Commissioners agreed to wait until a final court decision on the law suit between the unions and the county government before pursuing the issue further.
4. Provide for the removal of a Councilmember by a vote of 6 members for a serious violation of the Ethics law
  - Additional information is needed before pursuing further.
5. Remove the fire tax from the Charter §305 property tax limits
  - There was no interest in pursuing this issue.
6. Adjust budget deadlines
  - Additional information is needed before pursuing further.
    - Timeline of report due to Council
      - Draft report due to Council staff: March 2012
      - Final draft approved by the CRC: April 11, 2012
      - Final report due to the Council: May 1, 2012
      - Report presented to the Council: June 2012

**9:30 a.m. IV. Adjourn**