

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 8:00 a.m.
6th Floor Conference Room
Council Office Building

Commission Members Present:

Paul Bessel, Chair
Wendy Cohen
Larry Lauer
Timothy Lighter
Randy McDonald
Angela Rey
Aryeh Shudofsky

Staff:

Bonnie Kirkland, Office of the County Executive
Justina Ferber, County Council
Marie Jean-Paul, County Council
Josh Hamlin, County Council

Guests:

Barbara Braswell
Jonelle Williams

Commission Members Absent:

Sharon Freeman
Joshua Lipsky
Ed Wisneski

Commission Chair Paul Bessel called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

I. Administrative matters

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The minutes for the April 13, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved

II. Consideration of plain-English explanation of the recommended Charter amendment: A motion to approve the draft explanation as the “official statement” of the Charter Review Commission passed 7-0.

III. Discussion of the possible Charter amendment via petition imposing term limits on County elected officials.

IV. Other Business - Discussion of forming subcommittees, or research groups to focus on certain issues covered in the Charter – Budget and Finance, Personnel, Government Structure.

V. Next meeting

The next Charter Review Commission is scheduled for June 8, 2016 at 8:00 am.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.