



Memo

To: All CRC Members

From: Cliff Shepard, General Counsel

CC: Jack Douglas

Re: Expansion of Authority - Expansion/Composition of County Commission Districts Committee

At their meeting of October 23, 2019, the “Expansion/Composition of County Commission Districts Committee” discussed whether the job of county commissioner (other than the Mayor who is already full-time) should be a full-time position. The charter currently provides that “commissioners shall only devote such time as is necessary to perform the legislative responsibilities of their office.” Sec. 207. As such, they are compensated as part-time officials. The question arises, in the context of studying potential expansion of the commission, whether simply making the positions full-time would obviate any perceived need for additional commissioners. This specific question would appear to exceed the scope of the original authority delegated to this committee.

Requested action:

The committee requests the full CRC board determine whether the committee’s authority should be expanded to include consideration of whether the position of county commissioner should be made full-time under the charter.