

Orange County Government

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201 S Rosalind Ave.
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Draft Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

6:00 PM

District 6 - Holden Heights Community Center

2020 Charter Review Commission

CRC Members:

Camille Evans, Chair

Carmen Torres, Vice Chair

*James R. Auffant–Jack Douglas–Russell Drake–John E. Fauth–Matthew Klein–
Jeffrey A. Miller–Nikki Mims–Samuel Vilchez Santiago–Soraya Smith–
Lee Steinhauer–Eugene Stoccardo–Anthony (Tony) Suarez–Dotti Wynn*

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Present: 12 - Member Camille Evans, Member Carmen Torres, Member James R. Auffant, Member Jack Douglas, Member Russell Drake, Member John E. Fauth, Member Jeffrey A. Miller, Member Nikki Mims, Member Soraya Smith, Member Lee Steinhauer, Member Eugene Stoccardo, and Member Dotti Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Matthew Klein, Member Samuel Vilchez Santiago, and Member Anthony (Tony) Suarez

Others present:

CRC General Counsel Cliff Shepard
Deputy Clerk Katie Smith
Senior Minutes Coordinator Craig Stopyra

Pledge of Allegiance**I. Invited Guest**

District 6 Board of County Commissioner (BCC) Victoria P. Siplin

Commissioner Siplin thanked CRC members for their service and residents for making their voices heard and concerns known to the CRC.

II. Public Comment

The following persons addressed the CRC for public comment:

- Marj Holt
- Bob Olsen
- Roselyn Clouden
- Chuck O'Neal
- Emmett O'Dell
- Bill Lutz
- Kelly Semrad
- Arlene Cuellar
- Jane Goddard
- Debi Meli
- Trini Quiroz
- John Lina
- Steve Meyers
- Peri Sedigh
- Todd Catella
- Barbara Anderson
- Vicki Vargo

III. Consent Item

- A. **CRC-20-041** Approval and execution of the minutes of the June 5, 2019 Regular Business Meeting of the Charter Review Commission (CRC).

A motion was made by Member Wynn, seconded by Vice Chair Torres, to approve and execute the Minutes of June 5, 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Evans, Member Torres, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

IV. Discussion Items

- A. **CRC-20-042** Proposed Charter Review Topic - Number and Composition of County Commission Districts

CRC General Counsel Cliff Shepard presented the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Number and Composition of County Commission Districts and stated that this topic has been addressed in every Charter Review Commission since 2000 and was rejected each time before or after the topic was evaluated. CRC General Counsel Shepard discussed the pros and cons as argued previously. Discussion ensued. CRC General Counsel Shepard contributed to the discussion.

A motion was made by Member Smith, seconded by Member Mims, to have the Number and Composition of County Commission Districts established as an evaluation topic for the 2020 CRC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Member Douglas, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Stoccardo, and Member Torres

Nay: 4 - Member Auffant, Member Evans, Member Steinhauer, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

A motion was made by Member Auffant, seconded by Member Stoccardo, to establish the Number and Composition of County Commission Districts as a Subcommittee for the 2020 CRC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Drake, Member Evans, Member Fauth, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, Member Torres, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

Chair Evans appointed the following CRC members to serve on the Number and Composition of County Commission Districts Subcommittee:

Chair of Subcommittee: Vice Chair Torres

Subcommittee: Member Drake, Member Klein, Member Suarez, and Member Wynn

B. CRC-20-043 Proposed Charter Review Topic - Various Topics Regarding Land Use and Zoning

CRC General Counsel Shepard presented the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Various Topics Regarding Land Use and Zoning including information regarding agricultural zoned areas outside the urban service area, the requirement for a super majority vote of the BCC for ordinances that increase land use densities and intensities, urban service boundaries, dedicated funding for the Green Place Land Acquisition Program, and rural land protection by virtue of a super majority of the BCC for any annexations and a majority of the voters in the area to be annexed. Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Member Stoccardo, seconded by Member Wynn, to have the Various Topics Regarding Land Use and Zoning established as an evaluation topic for the 2020 CRC. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Torres, Member Drake, Member Fauth, and Member Stoccardo

Nay: 8 - Member Evans, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

C. CRC-20-044 Proposed Charter Review Topic - Unlicensed Contractor Activity within Incorporated Orange County

CRC General Counsel Shepard presented the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Unlicensed Contractor Activity within incorporated Orange County and stated that this topic had not been addressed by the CRC in previous cycles. The request is to consider amending the Charter to provide authority to the County to enter into interlocal agreements with cities to enforce unlicensed contractor activity in the area as being detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of citizens. Backup for this topic was provided in an audit that was conducted by the Orange County Comptroller's Office. CRC General Counsel Shepard suspects that the CRC will hear from the County Attorney's Office stating they already have the authority to do these interlocal agreements.

A motion was made by Member Steinhauer, seconded by Member Auffant, to table the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Unlicensed Contractor Activity within incorporated Orange County until the CRC receives information from the County Attorney's Office. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Evans, Member Torres, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

D. CRC-20-045 Proposed Charter Review Topic - Rights of the Wekiva River and Econlockhatchee River

CRC General Counsel Shepard presented the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Rights of the Wekiva River and Econlockhatchee River. The request is to amend the Orange County Charter to provide protection rights of natural features. Discussion ensued. CRC General Counsel Shepard contributed to the discussion.

A motion was made by Member Stoccardo, seconded by Vice Chair Torres, to have the Rights of the Wekiva River and Econlockhatchee River established as an evaluation topic for the 2020 CRC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Fauth, Member Douglas, Member Stoccardo, Member Drake, Member Torres, Member Auffant, and Member Mims

Nay: 5 - Member Evans, Member Miller, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

A motion was made by Member Auffant, seconded by Member Stoccardo, to establish the Rights of the Wekiva River and Econlockhatchee River as a Subcommittee for the 2020 CRC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Evans, Member Steinhauer, Member Fauth, Member Douglas, Member Stoccardo, Member Drake, Member Miller, Member Torres, Member Wynn, Member Smith, Member Auffant, and Member Mims

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

Chair Evans appointed the following CRC members to serve on the Rights of Wekiva River and Econlockhatchee River Subcommittee:

Chair of Subcommittee: Member Stoccardo

Subcommittee: Member Auffant, Member Fauth, Member Mims, Member Suarez

E. CRC-20-046 Proposed Charter Review Topic - Ethics for Appointing Lobbyist to Citizen Boards and Commissions: Prohibition

CRC General Counsel Shepard presented the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Ethics for Appointing Lobbyist to Citizen Boards and Commissions: Prohibition. The request is for an ethics rule to be applied in the County through the Charter that would prohibit lobbyists from being appointed to committees except in so much to conflict with State law. CRC General Counsel Shepard added that it would prohibit for a period of two years after a citizen serving on a non-elected committee or Board commission position from becoming a paid lobbyist. Discussion ensued. CRC General Counsel Shepard contributed to the discussion.

CRC General Counsel Shepard will provide a brief to the CRC regarding the County's current rules of Ethics, State Law and lobbying pertaining to this proposed Charter Review Topic.

The motion that was made by Member Stoccardo, seconded by Vice Chair Torres, to have the

Ethics for Appointing Lobbyist to Citizen Boards and Commissions: Prohibition established as an evaluation topic for the 2020 CRC was rescinded by Member Stoccardo.

A motion was made by Member Stoccardo, seconded by Member Auffant, to table the Proposed Charter Review Topic - Ethics for Appointing Lobbyist to Citizen Boards and Commissions: Prohibition to the next CRC meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Evans, Member Torres, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Absent: 3 - Member Klein, Member Santiago, and Member Suarez

V. New Business

Chair Evans reminded the audience that the Charter website has the process for submitting documents to get topics on the agenda. The next CRC meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., on August 7, 2019, in District 1, at Dr. Phillips High School. The deadline for written materials is due to CRC Staff by close of business day on July 26, 2019. The agenda for the August 7, 2019, meeting will be distributed on July 31, 2019.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the CRC adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Camille Evans, Chair
2020 Charter Review Commission