

Orange County Government

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Final Meeting Minutes

Friday, May 29, 2020

5:30 PM

Communications Media Technology

2020 Charter Review Commission

CRC Members:

Camille Evans, Chair

James R. Auffant, Vice Chair

Jack Douglas–Russell Drake–John E. Fauth–Matthew Klein–

Jeffrey A. Miller–Nikki Mims–Angela Melvin–Samuel Vilchez Santiago–Soraya Smith–

Lee Steinhauer–Eugene Stoccardo–Anthony (Tony) Suarez–Dotti Wynn

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

Present: 14 - Member Camille Evans, Member James R. Auffant, Member Jack Douglas, Member Russell Drake, Member John E. Fauth, Member Matthew Klein, Member Angela Melvin, Member Jeffrey A. Miller, Member Nikki Mims, Member Samuel Vilchez Santiago, Member Soraya Smith, Member Lee Steinhauer, Member Eugene Stoccardo, and Member Dotti Wynn

Absent: 1 - Member Anthony (Tony) Suarez

Others present:

CRC General Counsel Cliff Shepard
CRC General Counsel Patrick Brackins
Deputy Clerk Katie Smith
Assistant Deputy Clerk Jessica Vaupel
Senior Minutes Coordinator Jennifer Lara-Klimetz

I. Pledge of Allegiance**II. Public Comment**

The following persons addressed the CRC for public comment:

- Anh Volmer
- Chuck O'Neal
- Valerie Anderson
- Lynette Scible

The following persons submitted written comments to the CRC during public comment:

- Angelene Bray
- Ariel Hartney
- Mary Nesler
- Jessica Sullivan
- Bob Stein
- Forest Gray Michael
- Christina Ragan McElyea
- Yuan Chang
- Steven A. Williams
- Caitlin Fogarty
- Lee Perry
- Nicole Wilson

The following person addressed the CRC for public comment: Kimberly Heise.

III. Consent Item

- A. **CRC-20-116** Approval and execution of the minutes of the May 6, 2020, and May 14, 2020 meetings of the Charter Review Commission (CRC).

A motion was made by Member Stoccardo, seconded by Member Smith, to approve and execute the minutes of May 6, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Member Evans, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Fauth, Member Klein, Member Melvin, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Vilchez Santiago, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Absent: 2 - Member Drake, and Member Suarez

A motion was made by Vice Chair Auffant, seconded by Member Wynn, to approve and execute the minutes of May 14, 2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Member Evans, Member Auffant, Member Douglas, Member Fauth, Member Klein, Member Melvin, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Vilchez Santiago, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Absent: 2 - Member Drake, and Member Suarez

IV. Chair Comments

Chair Evans thanked CRC members for their continued commitment to the work that they were assigned. Chair Evans reflected on the amount of work that has been done, the service that was provided to the community and all Orange County residents have been represented in their issues that are pertinent to the future and success of Orange County. Chair Evans thanked CRC staff, Comptroller's Office, Orange TV and general counsel for all of their hard work. The last CRC regular business meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3, 2020. The 2020 CRC will consider the Final Report for approval.

V. New Business

- A. **CRC-20-117** Proposed Split Oak Committee Resolution

General Counsel Shepard presented the proposed Split Oak Committee Resolution. General Counsel Shepard discussed the timing of the vote of the Split Oaks amendment on the November ballot and the future of Split Oaks by the Board of County Commissioners. Member Vilchez Santiago proposed that a resolution would come forth from the entire CRC requesting the Board of County Commissioners wait on the outcome of the November referendum on this particular Charter issue before finalizing or taking any action on the Split Oaks road extension. Member Vilchez Santiago drafted the proposed Split Oak Committee Resolution and the subcommittee agreed that it would be appropriate to bring the resolution before the full CRC for consideration and vote. General Counsel Shepard outlined that the resolution provides that the CRC opposes the Orange County Board of County Commissioners taking any action on the location of the expressway through any portion of the Split Oak Forest wildlife and environmental area prior to

the outcome of the popular vote on the Split Oak Charter Amendment at the general election of November 3, 2020. The resolution doesn't state that the Commission supports or doesn't support the action itself. It is the taking of any action to allow the voters to speak before action is taken. If this resolution is passed, then it would be provided to each member of the County Commission for their consideration. The resolution is non-binding, which means that CRC has no authority and cannot say what the Board of County Commissioners can or cannot do but it expresses the will of the CRC. General Counsel Shepard provided, in the agenda packet, an email analysis on whether the CRC can issue resolutions. General Counsel Shepard opined that the CRC does have the authority because there is no restriction on the CRC's ability to issue resolutions of any kind. The subject matter is within the authority because it is an attempt of the CRC to review and study, from top to bottom, all aspects of Orange County government. Discussion ensued.

Clerk's Note: Prior to the vote being taken, Member Douglas exited the meeting.

A motion was made by Member Vilchez Santiago, seconded by Member Stoccardo, to approve the proposed Split Oak Committee Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Member Auffant, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Melvin, Member Mims, Member Vilchez Santiago, Member Smith, and Member Stoccardo

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

Absent: 2 - Member Douglas, and Member Suarez

Abstain: 1 - Member Miller

VI. Work Session Item

A. CRC-20-118 2020 CRC Draft Final Report

General Counsel Shepard outlined in detail the table of contents of the draft Final Report.

There were no comments from CRC members for Sections I, II, and III, of the draft Final Report. Chair Evans stated that Section III will be updated to reflect the results of today's meeting with the approval of the resolution regarding Split Oak. After the June 3rd meeting, the final draft will include the final statistics regarding the approval of this report.

Chair Evans stated that Section IV includes an introduction, ballot questions and language, proposal, and text revisions for each proposed amendment. The section also includes the financial analysis impact as provided by the Comptroller's Office. Member Smith commented on Section IV, regarding the financial impact statement.

There were no comments from CRC members for Section V. Chair Evans stated that Section V will be updated to reflect the results of today's meeting regarding proposed by-laws and the Split Oak Resolution.

Member Santiago requested that the Final Report include "Subcommittee Chair" consistently throughout the document. He also requested that his full name, Samuel Vilchez Santiago, be represented throughout the document, without a hyphen in his name.

Chair Evans stated that Member Smith would like her name to read as Marie Soraya Smith throughout the document.

Member Fauth moved to accept the work group's recommendation on the proposed by-laws. Member Fauth thanked the members of the work group who assembled it. Chair Evans viewed it as content of the report but she was open to a separate approval for that particular item. Discussion ensued.

Member Stoccardo commented on the word "subcommittee". He stated that Commissions create committees not subcommittees and that it should be committees. Chair Evans appreciated his input but the word subcommittee would be kept in the Final Report.

A motion was made by Member Fauth, seconded by Member Wynn, to accept the work group's recommendation on the proposed by-laws as presented in the draft Final Report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Member Evans, Member Auffant, Member Drake, Member Fauth, Member Melvin, Member Miller, Member Mims, Member Vilchez Santiago, Member Smith, Member Steinhauer, Member Stoccardo, and Member Wynn

Nay: 1 - Member Klein

Absent: 2 - Member Douglas, and Member Suarez

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the CRC adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Camille Evans, Chair
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