

City of Excelsior

Charter Commission

Minutes of Special Meeting

Wednesday, August 8, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chair Viesturs called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
2. ROLL CALL

Charter Commissioners Present: Chair Viesturs, Beattie, Bolles, Caron, Crow, Finch, Fulkerson, Hartwich, and new commissioner Doug Schmidt.

Commissioners absent: Bratland, Brokaw, Harrod, Leafer, Norman and Wilson.

Also present: City Clerk Johnson and City Finance Officer Tumberg.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL: Commissioner Fulkerson made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a new item "Election of Recording Secretary". Chair Viesturs suggested adding this under New Business as Agenda Item 6. Revised Agenda approved 9/0.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
5. APPROVE MINUTES:
  - a) Regular Meeting of June 6, 2012: Commissioner Beattie made a motion to approve minutes seconded by Commissioner Crowe. Motion carried 8/0 with Commissioner Schmidt abstaining.
  - b) Special Meeting of July 14, 2012: Commissioner Beattie made a motion to approve minutes; seconded by Commissioner Caron. Motion carried 7/0 with Commissioners Crow and Schmidt abstaining.
6. NEW BUSINESS:

ELECTION OF RECORDING SECRETARY: Commissioner Crow volunteered to be Recording Secretary through the end of the year 2012. All commissioners gratefully accepted Commissioner Crow's offer.

7. OLD BUSINESS

a) Petition for Charter Amendment: Discussion only. No motion made.

b) Proposed Charter Language and Ordinance: Commissioner Beattie made a motion to express approval to the City Council for the Ordinance version (dated 7/26/12); seconded by Commissioner Fulkerson. Motion carried 8/1 with Commissioner Finch voting no.

Commissioner Beattie made a motion that the Charter Commission ask the City Council and the City Attorney to address how the competing Charter amendment and the petition would be treated legally within the Charter and which version would City Council follow. Friendly amendment to the Motion made by

*Commissioner Finch to also request the City Attorney's presence at the September Charter Commission meeting. Commissioner Crow seconded the amended motion. Motion carried 9/0.*

8. *ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Crow made a motion for adjournment; seconded by Commissioner Beattie. Motion carried 9/0 and Chair Viesturs adjourned the meeting at 8:25 a.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Mary Jo Fulkerson  
Acting Recording Secretary*