

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF LAKE JACKSON

BE IT KNOWN that the Charter Review Commission of the City of Lake Jackson met on Monday, October 4, 2021 at 4:30 P.M. Lake Jackson City Hall with the following in attendance:

Will Brooks  
Brad Whitehead  
Jesse Glatz

Modesto Mundo, City Manager  
Sherri Russell, City Attorney

Council Liaison - Rhonda Seth

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 20, 2021

On motion by Mr. Glatz second by Mr. Whitehead with all present members voting “aye”, the September 20, 2021, minutes were approved as presented.

DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS WITH CITY ATTORNEY – SHERRI RUSSELL

Discussion on action items from the September 7, 2021, meeting with Ms. Russell and Mr. Mundo for clarification included:

- A. Section 9.02, Rename the last section and remove subsection J – Ms. Russell will look into this
- B. Section 9.11 was cleared up by Ms. Russell. Mr. Yenne was under the impression that this went to the state, it goes to the county, and they still require this information
- C. Section 9.17 Ms. Russell will look into adding in a clause stating that the city can elect to contract with the County or other entity for tax collection

DISCUSSION AND AGREEMENT ON ARTICLE 11

11.01: No Action

11.02: No Action

11.03: No Action

11.04: No Action

11.05: No Action

11.06: Discussion on removing the word “whatever” when section discusses garnishment of accounts.

11.07: No Action

11.08: Mr. Brooks asked to have Mrs. Russell send him the VTCA for reference. Ms. Russell will send to Mrs. Villarreal to send to Commission for reference.

11.09: No Action

11.10: No Action

11.11: No Action

11.12: No Action. There was discussion regarding gender terminology, but it was already on the list from Section 3 as a recommended change. He/she clarification sentence closer to beginning

of charter for reference and change all references from councilman to council member.

11.13: No Action

11.14: Mr. Mundo agreed to find if the city has ever published the charter commission report. Ms. Russell shared that not even whole ordinances get published because they are too long, so the report is made available to public as records, just not published.

11.15: No Change

#### COMMISSION ITEMS

General discussion regarding simplifying charter (updating language, remove items that have been taken over by state, outdated etc.) The idea is to create a charter committee to be tasked with this operation since this would be a major overhaul. Recommendation for an “ad hoc charter commission” to work on potential changes because by law the charter commission can only meet bi-annually. The citizens grant the charter committee the power to pose the changes by voting.

Mrs. Villarreal walked in, and Mr. Mundo revisited the question of publishing the charter report from section 11. Mrs. Villarreal will check with Ms. Rodgers and have an answer by the October 18, 2021, meeting.

#### AFFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE AND DRAFT AGENDA

The next meeting will include an interview with Ms. Russell, Mr. Mundo, and Ms. Seth.

They will also discuss, review, and summarize proposed amendments.

They will begin to prepare a draft report for the city council with recommended changes and rationales.

The date set is October 18, 2021, at 4:30 P.M. in Lake Jackson City Hall.

#### ADJOURN

On motion by Mr. Whitehead second by Mr. Glatz to adjourn meeting with all present members voting “aye”, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

These minutes read and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of October 2021.

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Will Brooks, Chairman

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Ariel Lara, Secretary