

MINUTES OF THE CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

**April 13, 2020
9705 E. Hibiscus Street
Palmetto Bay, FL**

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:30 pm.

The following members of the Charter Review Commission were present:

David Zisman

Mitchell Mandler

Shelley Stanczyk

Marc Levy

Tim Schaffer

Councilman Patrick Fiore, serving as the non-voting Council member.

The following staff members were present:

John Dellagloria, Village Attorney

Greg Truitt, Interim Village Manager

Also present:

Joyce McGee, resident

Joseph Bier, resident and member of NPC

Jerry Proctor

Gary Pastorella

2. It was confirmed that there was a quorum present.
3. Public Comments, including comments from Village Council, Village Manager, or staff:
 - a. Joe Bier updated the Committee on the status of the Neighborhood Protection Committee status. Joe said they had not been meeting for a while due to the Covid 19 virus. Discussion about when they would reconvene. Joe wanted the Charter Revision Committee to wait on further discussion of 10.2 until his committee could present final work of NPC to Charter Revision Committee.
 - b. Joyce McGee said she hoped the Charter Revision Committee would change paragraph 10.1 of the Charter from 75% to 60% of the electors voting within a 2000 square foot radius of the school to approve an increase in student enrollment.

- c. Gary Pastorella spoke and said if this Committee reduced the percentage vote from 75% to 65% in 10.1, then the radius of those who vote should go from 2000 feet to 3,000.
 - d. Jerry Proctor spoke and re-affirmed McGee's comments and said on behalf of his client Montessori, he had no objection to expanding the radius of votes to 3,000 feet.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Minutes from prior meeting were unanimously approved.
5. Old Business: No discussion.
6. Discussion of Agenda Items:
 - a. Discussion about section 10.2 of the Charter, called Neighborhood Protection. Tim Schaffer says that this section was originally put in Charter for protection of residents, but it has now handcuffed prior and current administrations. He suggests these are better to be addressed thru zoning ordinances or at zoning hearings. Maybe take some things out or reduce the language. Delagloria said he doesn't think this section prohibits the Council from adding any ordinances that are consistent with 10.2. Marc Levy said it should be up to the NPA committee to come up with changes. If not, leave it as it is. Marc also suggested that some people from code enforcement should come in and speak to the Committee to see if 10.2 has presented a problem. There was a suggestion to bring in Allen White, Maria Paneda and Wes Maltby to speak to Committee. 7:50 pm, Shelly Stanczyk leaves the meeting. Returns at 7:58.
 - b. Discussion on amending section 2.3 of the Charter. Tim moved to modify the existing language of 2.3(C) by adding language to provide that one Council member shall be elected to a seat from each residential area and the vote shall be from the residents of that district only. Also discussed that single member districts shall be determined as reflected by district boundaries as may be redrawn from time to time. **There was also a motion to place on the ballot the option for the residents to decide on single member districts where only the voters from a particular district can vote for their district representative Residential Area Council Member.** That motion was seconded by Marc Levy. Marc Levy, Tim Schaffer, Mitchell Mandler, Dave Zisman voted in favor of the motion. Shelly Stanczyk voted against the motion. The motion passed.
 - c. Discussion of agenda items for next meeting. Tim Schaffer proposed a further discussion of 10.2 with continued discussion of private school expansion section 10.1 and Stanczyk agenda items including new 3.3 plus the one distributed at meeting. Marc Levy proposed to add a discussion of Council ability to "slice and dice" parks. It was agreed by all that these would be on agenda for next meeting.

d. There was a motion to adjourn which was seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by the Charter Revision
Commission this ____ day of
_____, 2020.

Missy Arocha, Village Clerk

David Zisman, Chairperson