CITY OF LONG BEACH CHARTER AMENDMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mayor Bob Foster, Chair Vice Mayor Bonnie Lowenthal, Vice Chair All Members of City Council



FINISHED AGENDA & MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER (3:06 PM)

At 3:06 P.M., Mayor Foster called the meeting to order.

Councilmembers B. Lowenthal, Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske, Richardson, Reves

Present: Uranga, Gabelich and Lerch

Councilmembers O'Donnell

Absent:

ROLL CALL (3:06 PM)

Councilmembers B. Lowenthal, Lowenthal, DeLong, Schipske, Richardson, Reyes

Present: Uranga, Gabelich and Lerch

Councilmembers O'Donnell

Absent:

Also present: Gerald Miller, City Manager; Christine Shippey, Assistant City Manager; Robert Shannon, City Attorney; Larry Herrera, City Clerk; Nancy Muth, City Clerk Specialist.

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1. <u>06-0639</u>

Recommendation that the Committee continue deliberations relative to the following potential Charter Amendments:

- A. Deletion of Obsolete Charter Sections --Deletion of tax levy provisions relating to recreation, library, transportation and the Municipal Band and other provisions relating to nonexistent financial activities and Department of public utilities.
- B. Revision of term limits to allow serving three terms.
- C. Strengthening of elective office residency requirement.
- D. Allowing successful Primary Election write-in candidates to be treated as listed candidates on any run-off election ballot.

A motion was made by S. Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair B. Lowenthal, that Agenda Items 1 and 2 being considered as potential Charter Amendments, be laid over to Spring 2007 to obtain further information and public input. The motion carried by the following vote:

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2. 06-0690

Recommendation that the Committee receive presentations from City staff relative to the following topics:

- A. Creation of an Independent Reapportionment Commission to revise district lines based on the Decennial United States Census (City Clerk).
- B. Creation of an Independent Compensation Commission to set salaries for City Officers (by City Clerk).
- C. Deletion of City Prosecutor duties regarding Civil Service Commission (City Prosecutor).
- D. Change of election cycles to odd-numbered calendar years or move April Primary Election to February in even-numbered years (City Clerk).

Larry Herrera, City Clerk, distributed and provided a presentation entitled, 2004 Government Reform Task Force, Recommendations: Redistricting Commissions and Independent Compensation Commission.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Councilmember Reyes Uranga spoke.

Councilwoman Richardson spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Mayor Foster spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Councilmember S. Lowenthal spoke.

Vice Mayor B. Lowenthal spoke.

Councilmember Reves Uranga spoke.

Councilwoman Gabelich spoke.

Larry Herrera, City Clerk spoke.

Councilmember Lerch spoke.

A motion was made by S. Lowenthal, seconded by Vice Chair B. Lowenthal, that Agenda Items 1 and 2 being considered as potential Charter Amendments, be laid over to Spring 2007 to obtain further information and public input. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - B. Lowenthal, Richardson, Reyes Uranga, Gabelich, Lerch,

Lowenthal, DeLong and Schipske

Absent: 1 - O'Donnell

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (4:03 PM)

Harvey Cochran spoke.

Bob Fronke spoke.

ADJOURNMENT (4:03 PM)

At 4:03 P.M., Mayor Foster declared the meeting adjourned.