

## **CITY OF FULSHEAR**

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## CHARTER COMMISSION MINUTES JULY 14, 2015

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Fulshear Charter Commission was called to order by Commission Chair, CJ McDaniel at 6:34 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 in Irene Stern Community Center at 6920 Katy-Fulshear Road, Fulshear Texas and all citizens were welcomed.

### Members Present:

Erma Beal
Larry Beustring
Braxton Dailey\*
John Dowdall
Ken Knapp
C.J. McDaniel
D.E. (Gene) Morgan
Kent Pool
Carolyn Randle
Polly Royer
Randy Stacy
\*appointment pending

#### Members Absent:

Bill Archer Cherryl Finney Ira Leary James Molina

### City Staff Present:

Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr., Mayor C.J. Snipes, City Administrator Lynn Raymer, Executive Assistant

#### Others Present:

Dr. James Thurmond Ramona Ridge Shannon Purcell Todd Finney \*\*



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Grady Randle Byron Brown

\*\*Representing Member Cherryl Finney, but not voting

### II. ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was present

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Randy Stacy motioned to approve the June 25, 2015 minutes. It was seconded; however, the Member name was missed by the Secretary. The motion was carried by the following vote: Ayes: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nays: None opposed

#### IV. PRESENTATION BY DR. JAMES THURMOND

- Director, Masters of Public Administrator Program, U of H, 2008 to Present
- Retired from city government in 2003 after 30 years
- City Manager, Missouri City, 1993-2003

Dr. James Thurmond's presentation included a PowerPoint presentation highlighting and detailing the three (3) forms of municipal government, explaining that a Charter is a constitution for your local government. Dr. Thurmond further detailed the pros and cons of each form of municipal government and answered questions posed by Charter Commission Members.

#### V. DISCUSSION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION on Charter provisions related to

### Adopt Home Rule Charter Proposal

A motion was made by Member Beustring to adopt the Home Rule Charter Proposal. It was seconded by Member Dowdall. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nay: None



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### • Form of government

A motion was made by Member Stacy to adopt Council-Manager form government. It was seconded by Member Knapp. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nay: None

### Mayor and council terms, size, selection and qualifications

**Residency Requirement** - A motion was made by Member Pool to adopt residency requirement of one year of residency in Fulshear the day the office is taken. It was seconded by Member Morgan. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion and the Members continued to discuss the issue. Eight members in favor; two members opposed. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members McDaniel, Stacy, Knapp, Pool, Royer, Dowdall, Morgan, Randle Nay: Members Beustring and Beal

**Minimum Age for Holding Office** – A motion was made by Member Knapp for the minimum age for holding office to be 21 years of age. It was seconded by Member Dowdall. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nay: None

• <u>Election of a Vice Chair</u> — A motion was made by Member Beustring to elect Bill Archer as Charter Commission Vice Chair. It was seconded by Member Dowdall. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nay: None

<u>Council Terms, Size and Term Limits</u> – Due to the late hour, a motion was made by Member Dowdall to table discussion and vote on these topics. It was seconded; however, the Member name was missed by the Secretary. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and Randle

Nays: None opposed



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### VI. ADJORNMENT

A motion was made by Member Larry Beustring to adjourn. It was seconded by Member Dowdall. Chair McDaniel asked if there was further discussion. Attorney Grady Randle reiterated the topics to be discussed at the July 28, 2015 meeting and indicated the homework will be to read Chapters 7-10 in Terrell Blodgett's "Texas Home Rule Charters" book. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Aye: Members Beustring, Stacy, Knapp, McDaniel, Pool, Royer, Beal, Dowdall, Morgan and

Randle

Nay: None

Chair MeDaniel announced that we are now adjourned at 8:34pm.

C.J. McDaniel - Chairman

Attest:

Lynn Raymer - Executive Assistant