City of Denton Charter Review Committee

After determining that a quorum was present, the Charter Review Committee of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a meeting on Thursday, October 3, 2024, at 5:32 p.m. in Training Rooms 3-5 at the Development Service Center, 401 N. Elm Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Kristine Bray, Angela Brewer-Isma, Brian Danhof, Jesse Davis, Jeremy Fykes, Nate Johnson, Michelle Jones, Gabriel Kirkpatrick, Weaver McClure, Lesly Molina Poer, Peter Mungiguerra, Julie Remski, Esperanza Trevino, Jane Zygiel.

ABSENT: None.

The posted agenda noted the registration process for in-person, call-in, and public participation at this meeting. While citizen commentary received via the online registration process was not read, each member for the Charter Review Committee received each online commentary. In-person, and online comments received are reflected on the exhibit to the minutes of this meeting.

1. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. CRC24-026 Receive comments from members of the public.

There were three presentations from the public from Charles Lee, Annetta Ramsey, and David Zoltner. Citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

B. CRC24-027 Consider approval of the minutes of the September 19, 2024 Charter Review Committee Meeting.

Lesly Molina Poer made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, motion seconded by Jeremy Fykes. Motion carried.
AYES (14): Bray, Brewer-Isma, Danhof, Davis, Fykes, Johnson, Jones, Kirkpatrick, McClure, Molina Poer, Mungiguerra, Remski, Trevino, Zygiel
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (0): None

C. CRC24-025 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on modifying the Ethics Ordinance requirements.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Brian Danhof made a motion to recommend no modifications to the Ethics Ordinance requirements. Jeremy Fykes seconded. Motion carried.
AYES (14): Bray, Brewer-Isma, Danhof, Davis, Fykes, Johnson, Jones, Kirkpatrick, McClure, Molina Poer, Mungiguerra, Remski, Trevino, Zygiel
NAYS (0): None
ABSENT (0): None

D. CRC24-028 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on implementing a trigger amendment stating that if gay marriage is struck down in the courts and left not protected

by the state of Texas, then "civil unions" will receive all the same benefits and restrictions currently applied to marriages in the city's codes, ordinances, and charter.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Gabriel Kirkpatrick made a motion to recommend implementing a trigger amendment stating that if gay marriage is struck down in the courts and left not protected by the state of Texas, then "civil unions" will receive all the same benefits and restrictions currently applied to marriages in the city's codes, ordinances, and charter. Peter Mungiguerra seconded. Motion failed.
AYES (7): Bray, Brewer-Isma, Johnson, Kirkpatrick, Molina Poer, Mungiguerra, Trevino
NAYS (7): Danhof, Davis, Fykes, Jones, McClure, Remski, Zygiel
ABSENT (0): None

E. CRC24-029 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on implementing a one-year residency requirement for individuals serving on a citizen board, committee, or commission appointed by Council.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Lesly Molina Poer made a motion to recommend a one-year residency requirement for judicial and quasi-judicial boards, committees, and commissions appointed by Council. Brian Danhof seconded. Motion carried.
AYES (13): Bray, Brewer-Isma, Danhof, Davis, Fykes, Johnson, Jones, Kirkpatrick, McClure, Molina Poer, Mungiguerra, Trevino, Zygiel
NAYS (1): Remski
ABSENT (0): None

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS
Members provided concluding items.
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

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Kristine Bray	Kristi Fogle
Chair	Recording Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED ON: _____

October 3, 2024 Charter Review Committee Meeting - EXHIBIT A							
Name	**Last**	**Address**	**City**	**Agenda Item**	**Position**	**Method**	**Comments**
Charles	Lee	624 W. University Dr.	Denton	None listed	None listed	Blue Card	Charter Review Committee Individual Consideration
Annetta	Ramsey	722 W. Oak	Denton	CRC24-025	Opposed	Blue Card	Charter Review Committee Individual Consideration
David	Zoltner	2501 Timber Trail	Denton	CRC24-025	None listed	Blue Card	Charter Review Committee Individual Consideration