

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
OF BOSSIER CITY LOUISIANA TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF
May 21, 2024**

The Charter Commission of the City of Bossier City, State of Louisiana, had a meeting in the Bossier Council Chambers, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City, Louisiana, on May 21, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call as follows:

Present: Julianna Parks, Vicky Whitman, Shane Cheatham, Lee A. Jeter, Sr., Lisa Wilhite, Sandra Morehart, David Johnson, Preston Friedley, Jr

Absent: Panderina Soumas

Also present was ex officio non-voting member: Chief Administrative Officer, Amanda Nottingham and Assistant City Attorney Richard Ray standing in for the City Attorney Charles Jacobs.

Invocation was given by Mr. Jeter.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Whitman.

Agenda Item called: Approve Agenda

By: Mrs. Wilhite **Motion to approve agenda.**
Second by Mr. Johnson

No comment from the audience.
No comments from the commission.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.
Present: Julianna Parks, Vicky Whitman, Shane Cheatham, Lee A. Jeter, Sr., Lisa Wilhite, Sandra Morehart, David Johnson, Preston Friedley, Jr

Absent: Panderina Soumas

Abstain: none

Agenda Item called: Approve Minutes from May 7, 2024 meeting.

By: Mr. Jeter Motion to approve minutes from May 7, 2024 meeting.

Second by Mrs. Whitman

No comment from the audience.

No comments from the commission.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

Present: Julianna Parks, Vicky Whitman, Shane Cheatham, Lee A. Jeter, Sr., Lisa Wilhite, Sandra Morehart, David Johnson, Preston Friedley, Jr

Absent: Panderina Soumas

Abstain: none

Old Business

Agenda Item Called: Discussion of Bossier City Charter all chapters

Mr. Crockett, 653 Dumaine Drive, Bossier City, commented that on future charter commissions should have one person representing each district with a citizen living in the district. He also stated his views on term limits and debt level.

Mr. Jeter indicated he agreed that each district should have a citizen living in their district to represent on appointed charter commissions.

New Business

Agenda Item Called: Review Bossier City Charter technical "Consensus?" changes

Mr. Ray stated the charter document has been revised with some changes such as he/she to clear up and make the document flow. In the latest version May 20, 2024 draft, there are items marked "Consensus?" for the next level of review to determine agreement. If there is not agreement, then the item will be placed in the parking lot for later review.

Mr. Ray led the discussion on all "Consensus?" items. A complete review and discussion on all "Consensus?" items were conducted.

By: Mrs. Parks Motion to approve "Consensus?" items on the reviewed list (see below)
included in the Charter draft version May 20, 2024
Second by Mrs. Morehart

Consensus? Items Approved			
20	50	78	101
23	52	79	102
24	53	80	104
25	54	81	105
27	62	83	106
30	67	86	108
31	69	87	110
34	70	88	112
36	71	90	113
38	72	94	114
41	73	96	116
44	74	97	118
47	76	98	119
48	77	100	

Mr. Crockett stated his concerns on including contract services as acceptable which comes with major risk in his opinion. Also, he commented the city should address the rules of the city council to allow speaking openly and not limit comments.

Mr. Ray indicated that the current charter allowed contract services for the arena.

No comments from the commission.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

Present: Julianna Parks, Vicky Whitman, Shane Cheatham, Lee A. Jeter, Sr., Lisa Wilhite, Sandra Morehart, David Johnson, Preston Friedley, Jr

Absent: Panderina Soumas

Abstain: none

Mr. Friedley asked that commission members review the approved list.

Items included in the "parking lot" are listed below.

Parking Lot
21
28
32
49
65
75
99
107
117

Mrs. Morehart asked that the budget date changes in the charter be reviewed and clarified before the next meeting.

The next meeting is June 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

By: Mr. Cheatham Motion to adjourn

Second by: Mr. Johnson

Adjournment – 8:18 pm

No comment from the audience.

No comments from the commission.

Vote in favor of motion is unanimous.

Present: Julianna Parks, Vicky Whitman, Shane Cheatham, Lee A. Jeter, Sr., Lisa Wilhite, Sandra Morehart, David Johnson, Preston Friedley, Jr

Absent: Panderina Soumas

Abstain: none

Respectfully submitted:

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