CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 9, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Dennis R. McGee Room at the Daytona Beach International Airport, 700 Catalina Drive, Daytona Beach, Florida.

ROLL CALL

Members present included Chair Hyatt Brown, Frank Bruno Jr., Frank Darden, Patricia Drago, Ambassador Stanley Escudero, Dr. Phillip Fleuchaus, David Haas, Peter Heebner, Patricia Northey, Glenn Ritchey, Derek Triplett, Mark Watts and Lisa Ford Williams. Dr. Bailey attended via conference line. James Morris was not in attendance. Also present were County Attorney Dan Eckert, County Manager Jim Dinneen, county support staff and members of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chair Brown opened the floor to public participation. There was none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Glenn Ritchey made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of March 23, 2016, April 4, 2016, and April 11, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mark Watts. The motion was approved unanimously.

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION FINAL REPORT

Chair Brown asked the commission members for any questions, suggestions, and or modifications of the provided draft of the final report. Mark Watts made a motion to change the verbiage of a sentence in the first full paragraph on page 76 of the agenda package from, "As there would be some risk in a charter amendment not passing by citizen vote, discussion with stakeholders resulted in an effort to work on a version of the Rules of Procedure that would accomplish the desired changes while not requiring a change to the Charter.", to, "As stakeholders determined there would be some risk in a charter amendment not passing by citizen vote, discussions resulted in an effort to work on a version of the Rules of Procedure that would accomplish the desired changes while not requiring a change to the Charter." The motion was seconded by Lisa Ford Williams. There was no discussion regarding the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was no additional discussion relating to the final report. Ambassador Stanley Escudero made a motion to approve the final report as provided with the change as previously accepted. The motion was seconded by Glenn Ritchey. The motion was approved unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Dr. Bud Fleuchaus complimented Chair Brown for efficient and well-run meetings.

Chair Brown stated that the reason for the success had been the quality of the Commission and teamwork. He thanked all of the members for the good work they had done, the county staff for the many hours of work, as well as Volusia Growth Management Commission representatives Gerald Brandon, Jim Wachtel, and Heather Ramos.

Dr. Bud Fleuchaus also complimented Dan Eckert for his work on assisting the Commission.

Jim Dinneen thanked the Commission on behalf of the county council members.

Dan Eckert reminded the Commission that the process will continue. The final report will be taken to the county council, three informational public hearings will be held, and a resolution will be adopted to call the special election on November 8, 2016. Chair Brown asked if he would need to attend the meetings. Mr. Eckert responded that it would be helpful for Chair Brown, as well as members of the Commission, to attend to answer any questions that may arise.

Jim Dinneen thanked the Commission for giving him the opportunity to suggest the change regarding payment of in-county expenses for county council members. He stated that many would be surprised in how much council members spend personally on county related activities. He felt, as a citizen, that it was not fair for elected officials not to be compensated for expenditures.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for discussion, Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.