

CITY OF BURNET CHARTER AMENDMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

On this the 14th day of September, 2023, the 2023/2024 Charter Review Committee of the City of Burnet convened at 1:00 p.m., at the City of Burnet, Council Chambers, 2402 S. Water (Hwy. 281 South), Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Call to Order: Mayor Gary Wideman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

<u>Roll call:</u> In attendance: Gary Wideman, Philip Thurman, David Vaughn, Charlie Zech, Kelly Dix, Habib Erkan, Jr., Ken Graham, Calib Williams were present.

Paul Farmer and Stan Hemphill were absent.

<u>Approval of the 9-14-2023 Charter Review Committee Minutes:</u> Board Member David Vaughn moved to approve the minutes as presented. Board Member Philip Thurman seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Review and recommend changes to the City of Burnet Charter:</u> The committee proceeded with the review of each Article with the following suggestions:

Article I: No changes
Article II: No changes

Article III:

Section 3.01 Number, Selection, Term: No changes.

<u>Section 3.02 Qualifications:</u> Striking 3.02 G. City Attorney will review for requirement of limiting past employees running for a seat on the Council for at least one year after resignation/or termination. To be determined.

Section 3.03 Judge of Election Qualifications: No changes.

Section 3.04 Compensation: No changes.

<u>Section 3.05 Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem:</u> Recommended to strike the word initial, and re-word to allow the delay of the vote one time only.

Section 3.06, B. Forfeiture of Office. 2. Change verbiage to read as follows:

2. has been found by at least 2/3 of the eligible voting members of the City Council to have violated any express prohibition of this Charter; or

Section 3.07 General Powers and Duties of Elected Officials: No changes.

Section 3.08 City Council Responsibilities: No changes.

Section 3.09 Prohibitions: No changes.

<u>Section 3.10 Meetings of the Council:</u> No changes.

Section 3.11 Quorum: No changes.

Section 3.12 Rules of Procedure: No changes.

Section 3.13 Voting: No changes.

<u>Section 3.14 Ordinances and Resolutions:</u> City Attorney will provide ballot language to the committee for review pertaining to changing the requirement of two readings of an Ordinance to one reading (entire 4th paragraph) and removing the 14 day newspaper publishing requirement (end of 3rd paragraph).

<u>Section 3.15 Emergency Ordinances:</u> The reference to 7.07 B is invalid and needs to be removed. Ballot language to amend the vote requirement form five(5) members of the Council to read 2/3 vote of the eligible voting members (for consistency throughout the Charter)

Section 3.16 Council Investigative Body; Hearings; Process: No changes.

<u>Confirm next meeting date:</u> City Secretary, Kelly Dix, confirmed the next meeting of the 2023/2024 Charter Review Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Adjourn: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Philip Thurman, Committee Chair

ATTEST:

Kelly Dix, City Secretary