



CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH CHARTER UPDATE COMMISSION AGENDA

Council Chambers - 3300 Newport Boulevard
Tuesday, February 16, 2010 - 2:00 p.m.

Commission Members:

Marian Bergeson, Chairwoman
Rush Hill
Richard Luehrs
Dennis O'Neil
Karen Rhyne
Larry Tucker
Paul Watkins

Non-Voting Council Liaisons:

Mayor Pro Tem Michael F. Henn
Mayor Keith D. Curry (alternate)

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2, 2010 MEETING MINUTES

1. Waive reading of subject minutes, approve as written, and order filed.
 - Attachment A: Draft Minutes

III. CHARTER SECTION DISCUSSIONS (COUNCIL-APPROVED PROVISIONS)

2. **CHARTER SECTION 1110 – PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS.** Recommend to the City Council that Charter Section 1110 1) be amended to increase the contract cost limits requiring formal bidding to \$125,000 (Alternative 1); and 2) include a provision granting City Council the power to regulate all aspects of public works projects, including the bidding, award and performance of public works contracts, through ordinance or resolution.
 - Attachment B: Staff Report

The Charter Update Commission is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act. Among other things, the Brown Act requires that the Commission's agenda be posted at least 72 hours in advance of each meeting and that the public be allowed to comment on agenda items before the Commission and items not on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. The Commission may limit public comments to a reasonable amount of time, generally either three (3) or five (5) minutes per person. Speakers are encouraged to identify themselves for the minutes.

Please note: The Commission staff may audiotape or videotape the meetings to assist in the preparation of the minutes. Any writings or documents provided to a majority of the Commission regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office located at 3300 Newport Boulevard during normal business hours. In addition, such writings and documents will be posted on the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov.

3. **CHARTER SECTION 1402 – SALE OF WATER FRONT PROPERTY.** Recommend to the City Council that Charter Section 1402 be amended to allow for the sale or conveyance of waterfront property upon an affirmative vote of the electorate. (Alternative 1).
 - Attachment C: Staff Report
4. **CHARTER SECTIONS 800 - 803 – CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM.** Receive and file.
 - Attachment D: Background Material

IV. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS TO BE CONSIDERED (NOT YET COUNCIL APPROVED)

5. **DETERMINE WHETHER THERE ARE OTHER CHARTER PROVISIONS THAT SHOULD BE REVIEWED.**
6. **REQUEST FROM THE WEST NEWPORT BEACH ASSOCIATION TO REVIEW CHARTER SECTION 400 – CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS.** Discuss the request received from the West Newport Beach Association and determine whether the request should be forwarded to the City Council for review and approval.
 - Attachment E: Transmittal Report and Correspondence
7. **REQUEST FROM THE NEWPORT BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING A NEW CHARTER PROVISION REGARDING THE FUNDING OF NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.** Discuss the request received from the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce and determine whether this request should be forwarded to the City Council for review and approval.
 - Attachment F: Transmittal Report and Correspondence

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- VI. **ADJOURNMENT – Adjourn to Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.**