

**CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH  
BOARDS AND COMMITTEES MEETING MINUTES**

**NAME OF COMMITTEE:** CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE (CRC)  
**NAME/TELEPHONE OF PERSON PREPARING SUMMARY:** Elisabeth Pierre (305) 948-2900  
**NAMES OF MEMBERS, STAFF, AND INVITED GUESTS PRESENT:**  
**BOARD MEMBERS:** WILLIAM DEAN, NORMAN EDWARDS, GLENN FINLAY, (VICE CHAIR) JARRET GROSS,  
MARY HILTON, BARBARA FALSEY, (CHAIR) BETH SPIEGEL  
**STAFF:** CITY MANAGER KELVIN BAKER, CITY CLERK SOL ODENZ, ASST. CITY ATTORNEY MIRIAM BENSINGER  
**TYPE OF MEETING:** PUBLIC HEARING **DATE:** October 29, 2008

**MINUTES**

**AGENDA ITEM 1- INTRODUCTIONS-Call to Order and Roll Call followed by introductions:** Chairperson Spiegel called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm and Mr. Odenz called the roll.

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**AGENDA ITEM 2 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 15, 2008:** Board Members requested that the minutes be amended to reflect the following changes: (AGENDA Item #2) Member Hilton noted that Richard Riess’s last name was spelled incorrectly (Public comment section). The correct spelling is “Riess”. Motion was made to approve the minutes as amended. Motion was unanimously approved.

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**AGENDA ITEM 3– PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT:** Member Hilton noted some corrections in reference to the Memorandum issued by Mrs. Bensinger regarding the Charter amendment recommendations adopted by the Committee. Member Hilton noted that under #7 the Article number should read “78” not “7” and also under #8 it should read Article X section “62” not “22”.

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**AGENDA ITEM 4 – PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Chairperson Spiegel opened the floor for public input. **Name of parties appearing:** Stephanie Kienzle- 1653 NE 178<sup>th</sup> Street, Richard Riess- 23 NW169<sup>th</sup> Street, Marise Hayden- 16415 NE 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Mubarak Kazan- 15564 NE 12<sup>th</sup> Ave, Allison Robie- 2131 NE 179<sup>th</sup> Street, Diego Arboleda- 19230 NE 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Maria Hauck- 2023 NE 19<sup>th</sup> Street.

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**AGENDA ITEM 5- DISCUSSION OF AND AMENDMENTS TO PROPOSED FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT:** Motion was made by member Gross to close the public meeting portion of this agenda and adjourn. Members discussed this motion. Members discussed the Attorney Generals opinion mentioned by resident Robie regarding residency requirements for city commission. The committee wanted to gather more information regarding this to be reviewed at the next meeting. Member Edwards proposed that the Committee continue on and adopt the findings and recommendations tonight. Motion was approved by all members except member Edwards.

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**AGENDA ITEM 5- ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

**FUTURE MEETINGS:**

<b>November 05, 2008</b>	<b>Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Public Hearing</b>
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**APPROVED BY:** Charter Review Committee

APPROVED 11/05/2008

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## Resident comments

### **Stephanie Kienzle:**

General Elections- stated that the citywide election should be moved to November, which would save the city a lot of money and would bring a bigger voter turn out.

### **Richard Riess:**

General elections- moving the citywide elections to November would save the city a lot of money and would bring a larger voter turn out.

Residency requirements- one year residency requirement is sufficient.

Term limits- possible placement on the year 2009 ballot

The Budget- agreed with having a line item budget.

Capital Improvement- does not agree with the emergency/non emergency expenditure amounts. Too steep.

Article XIII sec. 90- thinks the language should be eliminated because city does not have fire department.

Health Benefits/Council- thinks there is no basis, should be resident decision.

Charter Reviews- Charter should be reviewed sooner than every 10 years.

Citizen's Bill of Rights- Noise nuisance portion should not be eliminated.

### **Marise Hayden:**

General elections- feel our elections should piggyback with May elections which will save money.

Health Benefits/Council- does not agree with lifetime benefits.

### **Mubarak Kazan:**

General elections- city should piggyback with county elections.

Citizen's Bill of Rights- does not agree with the recommendations to remove discriminatory portion or noise nuisance portion.

Charter Review- Charter should be reviewed more than every 10 years should be more flexible.

**Allison Robie:**

Residency requirement- offered an attorney general opinion number which states one year residency requirement was sufficient.

Citizen's Bill of Rights- does not agree with the recommendations to remove noise nuisance portion.

Moral turpitude- wants something placed in the charter addressing city commission.

Health Benefits/Council- should have been voted on by residents not council. Doesn't agree with lifetime benefits.

Staggered Terms- did not agree with recommendation and voiced her opinion on how candidates should run.

**Diego Arboleda:**

General elections- thinks it should be moved to November.

Term limits- questioned the dates recommended.

**Maria Hauck:**

Citizens Bill of Rights- agreed with the removal of noise nuisance portion.