CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI MINUTES OF CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION **OCTOBER 11, 2018**

A meeting of the Charter Review Commission was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018, 6:00 p.m. in the Parks Administration Conference Room of the Blue Springs Fieldhouse, 425 NE Mock Avenue, Blue Springs, MO.

COMMISSION MEMBERS

Jeanie Lauer

Kelli Montgomery

Bryan Pratt

Maureen Johnson - ABSENT

Becky Nace

James Wallace

Jason Bonney - ABSENT

Kynette Campbell (arrived at 6:20)

Traci Via - ABSENT

Also present were Assistant City Administrator Christine Cates. City Attorney Jacqueline Sommer, and City Clerk Sheryl Morgan. Councilmen Culpepper, Kaylor and Carter were present, as well as Planning Commission member Scott Casev.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Co-Chairs Pratt and Lauer called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Co-Chair Lauer moved to approve the Minutes of the September 27, 2018 Charter Review Commission meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Nace and was approved unanimously.

GLOBAL REPLACEMENT The Commission reviewed and approved the replacement of global specific terms.

SECTION 3.3 -QUALIFICATIONS COMPARISON

The Commission reviewed and approved the comparison in qualifications for the position of Mayor and Council.

SECTION 3.10 - FILLING COUNCIL VACANCIES

The Commission reviewed options for changes relating to the filling of Council vacancies. The Commission reviewed and approved the following changes:

A vacancy of a City Councilmember shall be filled by appointment by the Mayor and approval by the City Council. This shall occur at the next regular City Council meeting and shall be decided by approval of the City Council by a majority of the remaining City Council members. The person appointed to fill the vacancy shall hold the appointed position until the next regular municipal election for which the filing period has not closed, unless the filing period for the next regular municipal election has already opened, in which case the appointed official and shall serve until the second next regular municipal election, or until the end of the current term, whichever first occurs. The election shall occur in accordance with the election laws of the State of Missouri.

SECTION 3.12 – LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Co-Chair Pratt recommended continuing the discussion regarding Section 3.12 - Voting to the next meeting when more members are present to discuss.

Co-Chair Lauer asked if Section 3.12.E - Overriding Mayor's Veto should be sent back to the Council for further consideration.

ARTICLE V - CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Section 5.1.B - The Commission unanimously agreed to change the minimum age to serve as the City Administrator to 25. The Commission unanimously agreed that no other changes were recommended to Section 5.1.

COMMISSION **CAMPBELL ARRIVED AT** 6:20 P.M.

ARTICLE V - CITY **ADMINISTRATOR** (Continued)

Section 5.2 - The Commission unanimously agreed to change the vote from five-sevenths (5/7) from two-thirds (2/3) to remove the City Administrator.

Section 5.3 - The Commission unanimously agreed to add "by majority vote" to revoke the designation of the Acting City Administrator.

Section 5.4 - The Commission unanimously agreed that no changes were recommended.

Section 5.5 - The Commission agreed the annual performance review of the City Administrator should be sent back to the Council for further consideration.

AMENDMENTS AND DISCUSSIONS **REGARDING ARTICLE IV** - MAYOR

The Commission unanimously agreed to the amendments previously made to Article IV as noted in the redlined changes attached to these Minutes.

AMENDMENTS AND **DISCUSSIONS** REGARDING ARTICLE V - CITY ADMINISTRATOR

The Commission unanimously agreed to the amendments previously made to Article V as noted in the redlined changes attached to these Minutes.

ARTICLE VI -ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION, PERSONNEL SYSTEM AND COMPREHENSIVE **DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

The Commission unanimously agreed that no changes were recommended.

PROCEDURES

ARTICLE VII - FINANCIAL The Commission unanimously agreed that no changes were recommended.

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- Performance appraisals
- Organizational chart reflecting what should be happening on a daily basis
- Four-year terms for Council and Mayor to save on election expenses

- Consistency with voting Councilmember on each board and commission
- Section 3.12.E Overriding Mayor's Veto
- Section 110.150 of the Code in relation to Section 3.12.H
- Section 5.5 City Administrator Performance Review

REDLINED CHARTER

A copy of the Charter with all proposed changes redlined are attached to these Minutes and incorporated herein.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:51 p.m., there was no further business to come before the Council, Co-Chair Pratt adjourned the meeting.

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Jeanie Lauer, Co-Chairman

Sheryl Morgan, City Clerk