



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final Charter Review Commission

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Cheri Pagni-Griffith
Jon Hoover
Chelsea McCoy
Sarah Norman
Michael Ryan
Jennifer Spitalieri
Scott Trainor*

Marshal Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel

Wednesday, June 25, 2025

7:00 PM

City Hall
1140 Terex Road

1. Call to Order

Chair Kagler called to order the meeting of the Charter Review Commission at 7:07 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Ms. Pagni-Griffith, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Ms. Norman and Ms. Spitalieri
Absent: 2 - Mr. Ryan and Mr. Trainor

Others in attendance: Mr. Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel; Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; and Mr. Banweg, Councilmember.

3. Approval of the Minutes

A. [25-0085](#)

Minutes of Previous Charter Review Commission Meeting

Brief Description: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for the Charter Review Commission's review and approval.

Attachments: [June 18, 2025 Charter Review Commission Minutes - Draft](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Ms. Pagni-Griffith, that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Ms. Pagni-Griffith, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Ms. Norman and Ms. Spitalieri

4. Correspondence and Commissioner Comments

Mr. Kagler reviewed the items that were discussed at the last meeting and what has been drafted for legislation.

5. Public Comments

Mr. Basil Musnuff, 7645 Hudson Park Drive, President of the Board of Trustees for the Hudson Library and Historical Society, had a question about the newly proposed Section 6.05 but it was suggested he come back to speak at the second public comment section after the Commission discussed the proposal.

6. Scheduled Presentations

None.

7. Review of Charter Articles

A. Draft Ordinances for Sections Already Reviewed and Finalized: (a) Combined Administrative Changes (preamble, 3.01, 3.08, 4.01, 5.02, 6.03, 6.04, 12.01, and 12.02); (b) Establishing Term Limits for Elected Officials (7.05 [NEW]); (c) Clarifying Term Limits for Board and Commission Members (8.04, 8.06, 8.07, 9.01, 9.04, 9.06, and 11.01); (d) Changing the Threshold Number of Signatures Needed to Initiate a Recall (12.03); and (e) Changing City Council Salary to Meet the State Retirement Minimum Threshold (3.10)

The Commission reviewed the draft ordinance comprising the proposals previously discussed.

B. Draft Ordinances for Sections Already Reviewed But Not Yet Finalized: (a) Military and Veterans' Commission (8.09 [NEW]); (b) Merging Park Board, Cemetery Board, and Tree Commission into Park and Natural Resource Board (8.04, 8.05, 8.06, 8.07, and 8.08); and (c) No Expenditures Without Representation (6.05 [NEW])

Discussion followed about the effective date of the a combined Park and Natural Resources Board. There was consensus to make the effective date January 1, 2027.

Further discussion was held on eligibility requirements of private entities receiving taxpayer funds, the number of votes required to pass legislation on the funding, and changing the term "voters" to "electors" throughout the Charter.

8. Public Comments

Mr. Basil Musnuff, 7645 Hudson Park Drive, President of the Board of Trustees for the Hudson Library and Historical Society, stated that the Library Board is looking into making its elections more accessible, disapproved of a super-majority of Council to approve the funding of private organizations as well as the option for Council to appoint board members to a private board.

Commission members asked Mr. Musnuff questions and discussion followed.

9. Action Items / Next Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Spitalieri, seconded by Mr. Hall, to favorably consider the draft ordinance excluding sections 15 and 16, subject to minor changes and corrections discussed during the meeting, and the addition of changes in Sections 2.01, 3.11, 4.01, and 7.01. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Ms. Pagni-Griffith, Mr. Hall, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Ms. Norman and Ms. Spitalieri

A motion was made by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mrs. Norman, to approve Sections 15 and 16 as read by Mr. Pitchford. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Ms. Pagni-Griffith, Mr. Hall, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Ms. Norman and Ms. Spitalieri

Nay: 1 - Mr. Hoover

Mr. Pitchford provided next steps regarding the timeline of readings and finalization of the Ordinance.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

Robert Kagler, Chair

Gregory Hall, Secretary

Upon approval by the Charter Review Commission, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording.