



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Final Charter Review Commission

Robert Kagler, Chair

Gregory Hall, Secretary

Cheri Pagni-Griffith

Jon Hoover

Chelsea McCoy

Sarah Norman

Michael Ryan

Jennifer Spitalieri

Scott Trainor

Marshal Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel

Wednesday, April 16, 2025

7:00 PM

City Hall
1140 Terex Road

1. Call to Order

Mr. Kagler called to order the meeting of the Charter Review Commission at 7:00 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. Hoover, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Spitalieri and Mr. Trainor

Absent: 2 - Mr. Hall and Ms. Norman

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

3. Approval of the Minutes

A. [25-0046](#)

Minutes of Previous Charter Review Commission Meetings

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

Attachments: [April 2, 2025 Charter Review Commission Minutes - Draft](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Hoover, that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Ms. Pagni-Griffith, Mr. Hoover, Mr. Kagler, Ms. McCoy, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Spitalieri and Mr. Trainor

4. Correspondence and Commissioner Comments

Mr. Kagler provided a summary of new suggested changes and noted that there are draft changes to seven sections of the Charter.

5. Public Comments

Ms. Ashley Kindsvatter, 5516 Timberline Trail, spoke in favor of ranked choice voting.

6. Scheduled Presentations

None.

7. Review of Charter Articles**A. Article VIII**

The Commission started reviewing Article VIII with Section 8.05, after discussing the first four sections at the previous meeting. No changes were discussed, apart from making term length and limits for Chartered boards consistent with previously suggested language.

Discussion followed on the difference between the duties of Park Board, Tree Commission, and the Environmental Awareness Committee, as suggested changes ranged from consolidation of Park Board and Tree Commission, making the Environmental Awareness Committee a Chartered board, to reducing the number of boards altogether.

Article VIII was discussed.

B. Article IX

No changes to Article IX were discussed, apart from making term length and limits for Chartered boards consistent with previously suggested language.

Mr. Kagler provided background on ward representation as noted in Section 9.01, as well as the special Charter amendment in 2009 for Section 9.02.

Article IX was discussed.

Further discussion followed about Chartered vs. codified boards and commissions, with members inviting input from Park Board and Tree Commission, as well as Cemetery Board from Mrs. Norman upon her return.

8. Public Comments

None.

9. Action Items / Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Charter Review Commission is on May 7, 2025.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 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.