

MINUTES
HOME RULE CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
Wednesday, April 9, 2025 @ 6:00PM
City Council Chambers, 1600 Avenue M Hondo, Texas

1. Call to order.

Chairwoman Michele Mechler called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

Diana Alvarez, Jim Danner, Tara Mumme DeLeon, Ernest Garza, Joel Gonzales, Mercy Hernandez, David Hook, Glenn Klaus, Rose Mary Mares, Michele Mechler, Lindsey Muennink, Lee Taylor, Shannon Windrow

Absent: George Adams, Brad Price

Staff Present: City Attorney Mike McCann and City Secretary Rebekah Dolphus

3. Citizens'/Public Comments

Persons who desire to address the City of Hondo Home Rule Charter Review Commission will be received at this time. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers must conduct themselves in a civil manner. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City of Hondo Home Rule Charter Review Commission cannot deliberate or take action on items not listed on the meeting agenda.

No Citizens'/Public comments

4. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the acceptance of the Home Rule Charter Review Commission meeting minutes of March 19, 2025 meeting.

Rose Mary Mares moved to approve the March 19, 2025 Home Rule Charter Review Commission meeting minutes; seconded by Tara Mumme DeLeon. Motion passes unanimously.

5. Review, deliberate and take appropriate action on recommendations to City Council on amendments to Articles and Sections within the City Of Hondo Home Rule Charter beginning with Article 1 and proceeding with each article numerically thereafter.

Review from March 19, 2025 Meeting

- **Section 5.02 Filing for Office**

The City Attorney is reviewing this section in the Election Code and getting back to Commission in reference to Primary Residence. **Per Mr. McCann term "Primary Residence" is not in State law but it is where you live/reside.** He is also reviewing 2(F)(G) as to why it is here. **Per Mr. McCann these sections are different but in (G) the Texas Constitution states it should be 1 year and 30 days. Recommended that we add 30 days**

Tara Mumme DeLeon moved to add 30 days to 5.02(2)(G), so it reads 1 year and 30 days remaining in office; seconded by Shannon Windrow. Motion passes unanimously.

- **Section 6.10 Results of Recall Election**

The City Attorney asked to review as to why there is a time of 2 years and 30 days. **Per Mr. McCann there is no State Law on this and can be left alone or changed.**

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Glenn Klaus moved to change 2 years to 3 years in section 6.10, so it reads 3 years and 30 days from the date of their recall; seconded by James Danner. Motion passes unanimously.

New Discussions

Article 8 – Boards and Commissions

- **Section 8.01 Authority, Composition, and Procedures**

Tara Mumme DeLeon moved to add a section under 8.01 that will allow all Board and Commission members to serve 3, three-year terms before terming out; seconded by Ernest Garza. Motion passes unanimously.

- **Section 8.01(2)**

The City Attorney will look into the State law on allowing members from outside city on Boards and Commissions.

Article 9 – Planning & Zoning Commission

- **Sections 9.01 – 9.03**

No changes recommended.

- **Section 9.04 – The Comprehensive Master Plan: Procedure and Legal Effect**

City Secretary come back with information on where the Comprehensive Master Plan is now and timeline on how addressed.

Article 9A – Board of Adjustment

- **Sections 9A.01 – 9A.04**

No changes recommended.

Article 10 – Utility and Public Service Franchises and Licenses

- **Sections 10.01 – 10.07**

No changes recommended.

Article 11 – General Provisions

- **Section 11.01 – Severability**

Have attorney clean up language in this section and bring back to the next meeting.

- **Sections 11.02 – 11.03**

No changes recommended.

- **Section 11.04 – Charter Review Commission**

Have attorney clean up language in this section and bring back to the next meeting.

6. Discuss items for next meeting agenda.

Review the topics discussed, obtain the necessary information from the City Attorney, and then proceed with the review of Sections 12 through 14.

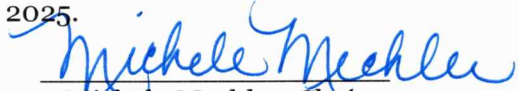
7. Adjourn.

Rose Mary Mares moved to adjourn; seconded by Joel Gonzales. Motion passes unanimously.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 30TH DAY OF APRIL 2025.


Michele Mechler, Chair

ATTEST:


Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary

