



**CITY OF KEIZER**  
**CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 7, 2020, 6:00 p.m.**

**Attendance:**

Elizabeth Smith, Chair  
Garry Whalen, Vice Chair  
Broderick Pack  
Pat Fisher  
Kim Freeman  
Zaira Flores-Marin

**Absent:**

Kathy Lincoln  
Rick Kuehn  
Shannon Flowers

**Staff:**

Shannon Johnson, City Attorney  
Tammie Harms, Legal Assistant  
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

Chair Smith called the meeting to order 6:01 pm.

**Appearance of Interested Citizens:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Garry Whalen moved for approval of the December Minutes. Broderick Pack seconded. Motion passed as follows: Smith, Whalen, Pack and Fisher in favor with Flores-Marin abstaining, Freeman absent at time of vote and Lincoln, Kuehn and Flowers absent.

**Review of Charter:** City Attorney Shannon Johnson reviewed previous work. Referring to comments from Kathy Lincoln, he voiced concern on the anti-discrimination language she had suggested noting that it could be a target for a lawsuit. He noted that State and Federal laws already prohibit discrimination and that his preference is the use inclusivity rather than anti-discrimination and to address it via a resolution rather than including it in the Charter. He suggested that discussion of this issue be postponed until the next meeting when Ms. Lincoln would be in attendance and to give him time for additional research.

Review then took place as follows:

**Section 3.3:** Delete 'over it'.

**Section 7.4:** Committee asked Shannon to see if there is a state law that addresses whether or not non-residents of the city and non-U.S. citizens can run for office.

**Section 7.5:** Change 'electors to 'registered voters residing in Keizer'. Shannon will check to see if an elector is the same as a registered voter.

**Section 7.6:** Committee asked Shannon to research what other cities do regarding the term continuing 'until the successor to the office assumes the office'.

**Section 7.7:** Okay with LOC version.

**Section 7.8:** Okay with Keizer LOC<sup>1</sup> version but wants to change b)5) to 'conviction of a felony crime or other offenses pertaining to their office'. Shannon will research if 'destruction of public records' is appropriate.

**Section 7.9:** This item is to go on the 'bucket list' to be decided upon after public input has been received.

**Section 8.1:** Okay with LOC version but leave out residency requirement ~~since that is addressed in the employment contract.~~<sup>2</sup>

Discussion took place regarding the timeline for getting the Charter on the November ballot. It was agreed that the meetings may need to be extended to 2 hours rather than 90 minutes in order to complete the review in time to have a public hearing followed by a final meeting to implement input from the public and complete the Charter for recommendation to Council. Committee agreed that the February meeting would be a 2-hour meeting.

**Adjourn** ~ Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

**Minutes approved:** 02-04-20 as corrected

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<sup>1&2</sup> Corrected before 2/4/20 approval