

# CITY OF STAMFORD 19<sup>TH</sup> CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

Anthony Pramberger, Jr., Chair

Members

Michael Larobina  
Thomas Lombardo  
J.R. McMullen  
Jackie Pioli

## DRAFT MEETING REPORT

**Thursday, October 6, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

*This meeting was held remotely*

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm
2. Roll Call – from the Elected Officials Committee, present were Commissioners Lombardo, McMullen, Pioli and Pramberger; Commissioner Larobina was not present. From the Board of Representatives, present were President Curtis, and Representatives Bewkes, Boeger, Cottrell, Fedeli, and Sherwood. Commissioners Bowser, Lane, Halpern and Michelson were also present.
3. Board of Representatives leadership spoke strongly about the need to create a Cabinet level position for a Director of Facilities Management.
4. The Elected Officials Committee received input from Board of Representatives leadership on the following issues:
  - i. C1-10-4 - Amend to provide that public hearings have an opportunity for public/board member dialogue
  - ii. C1-70-3 – Consideration of Term Limits
  - iii. C3-10-4 - Delete “or” before the Town Clerk
  - iv. C3-10-7 - Clarify that the Mayor may issue the oath of office
  - v. C1-70-3; C1-70-4; C1-80-1 - Halve the number of members on the Board of Representatives, either by having one per district or reducing the number of districts to ten
  - vi. C1-70-3 - Give the members of the Representative staggered terms, so one-half of the Board is elected every two years.
  - vii. C1-80-1 - Should members of the Board of Representatives, Board of Education, and Board of Finance receive compensation for their service?

- viii. C5-20-3 - Should the Board of Representatives have a budget for their own independent counsel?
  - ix. What should be changed, if anything, in the petition-protest process?
  - x. C2-10-2, Powers of BOR, Item 1 - Enacting ordinances and enforcement of fines and penalties for the violation of any ordinance.
  - xi. Should the Board of Representatives be more involved in, and vote on, any map and text changes?
5. Continuing our workload:
    - a. Input from outside counsel – Commissioner Lombardo gave an update on the appointment of outside counsel.
    - b. Our own ideas – held for a future meeting.
  6. The Meeting Notes of September 15, 2022 meeting were approved 4-0.
  7. The committee discussed the format for these two meetings:
    - October 19 (Board of Education) – it agreed that this meeting would be hybrid - held in person at the Govt. Center beginning at 5 pm, and also available via zoom.
    - November 3 (Mayor Simmons, and prior Mayors) - it agreed that this meeting would be hybrid - held in person at the Govt. Center beginning at 5 pm, and also available via zoom.
  8. Remaining invitations to be issued:
    - a. City and Town Clerk, Lyda Ruijter – it was agreed that since Ms. Ruijter met with the Land Use Committee on the same evening (i.e., October 6, 2022), members of the Elected Officials Committee would watch the video of the Land Use Committee meeting, and then decide if it had additional question for Ms. Ruijter.
  9. Unfinished Business – was held.
  10. New Business – there was none.
  11. The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 pm.

This meeting is available on [video](#).