CITY OF STAMFORD 19TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

Anthony Pramberger, Jr., Chair

<u>Members</u>

Michael Larobina

Thomas Lombardo

J.R. McMullen

Jackie Pioli

Revised Meeting Report

Thursday, December 1, 2022

Meeting was held in person at the Government Center

This meeting was held in person at the above date and time. Present were Commissioners Larobina, Lombardo, McMullen, and Pioli. Chair Pramberger was absent do to travel.

- 1. Commissioner McMullen called the meeting to order at 5:08pm. Later in the meeting Commissioners Bowser and Lane joined in person.
- 2. The committee reviewed the following charge:C1-80-5 Board of Education having terms for BOE members be 4 years. The committee voted not to pursue this item, 4-0, and to bring this to our regular meeting December 14, 2022.
- 3. The committee reviewed the following charge:C5-20-2 City Department with s/legal -The committee reviewed in detail whether the years of experience for Corporation Counsel and (C1-90-1) assigned council should be uniform. The committee agreed 10 years of experience across the board. The committee voted 4-0 in favor of 10 years, and to bring this to our regular meeting December 14, 2022.
- 4. The committee reviewed the following charge:C5-20-3 regarding the process of BOR to obtain their own legal process; topics included a budget line item and majority vote. The committee agreed that more work had to be complete prior to bringing it to the full Commission. Please see video.
- 5. The Committee reviewed the following Charge C1-70-3 Give the members of the Representatives staggered terms, so ½ of the Board is elected every 2 years (see 119). The committee deliberated further on this item, and voted 4-0 in favor, and to bring it item to full commission.
- 6. The committee reviewed the following charge: C1-70-4 Elective officers/ Voting district of the board of representatives Halve the number of members on the Board of Representatives, either by having one per district or reducing the number of districts to 10. The motion failed 1/3 -Commissioner McMullen in favor. The committee agreed out of courtesy to bring the item to the full board as a topic of discussion. The motion passed 4/0 and this will be discussed at the regular meeting on December 14, 2022.

- 7. The committee agreed to take the agenda out of order do to time restraints of a member. The motion passed 4-0 in favor.
- 8. The committee agreed and approved the meeting dates going forward for the 2023 calendar year. The committee voted 4-0 in favor
- 9. The committee agreed and voted to move the "List of Invited Guests' Suggestions for Potential Action or Referral to Another Committee" the optional action items for referral to the regular meeting on December 14, 2022. The vote was 4-0 in favor and will be discussed at the regular meeting on December 14, 2022.

| Elected Officials Committee Meeting Date | Item (from Meeting Notes) | Proposed Refer to: |
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| October 6 | Board of Representatives leadership spoke strongly about the need to create a Cabinet level position for a Director of Facilities Management. | City Departments Committee? |
| October 19 | Minority representation on the BOE – it was suggested that instead of a 6 (majority)-3(minority) relationship, that this be changed to 5-4 to create greater equity for the minority party. It was not clear if this were allowed by state statute. | Elected Officials Committee - Under review by counsel |
| November 3 | Change the budget process from annual to biennial. | S. Michaelson is looking into this in Finance Committee |
| November 3 | Add a division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) and officer as a Cabinet-level position in the City Charter. | City Departments Committee? |
| November 3 | Increase the time for transition of outgoing and incoming Mayors by moving the swear-in date from early December to early January. | Elected Officials Committee |
| November 3 | Add or incorporate an additional city department that would focus on Housing. | City Departments Committee? |
| November 3 | Separate the regulatory functions that are in the operational departments from the operational functions. | Land Use Committee? |
| November 3 | Create a Pension Fund Management Board of seven individuals: 1 from BOR; 1 from BOF; 1 from Director of Administration, and four Mayoral appointees approved by the BOR (three of which must have relevant experience). | S. Michelson is looking into pension management in Finance Committee |

| November 3 | Use the 2030 census to change the number of districts to 13 ("a patriotic number"), with two Reps per district (26 in total). | Elected Officials Committee |
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| November 3 | Departments of professionals (e.g., Engineering) should be managed by an administrator, not someone with technical competence (i.e., engineering knowledge) in each area, to evaluate from a public service perspective. A Cabinet-level position should be traded for a Director of Operations Management to visit and review the departments practices and procedures. | City Departments Committee? |

- 10. There was no discussion of old or new business.
- 11. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm. The vote was 4-0 all in favor.

This meeting is on <u>video</u>