

# CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

## AGENDA

**Charter Review Commission  
February 11, 2020  
C. Vernon Gray Conference Room  
8:30 a.m.**

- I. Welcome and Announcements
- II. Approval of Minutes of the Charter Review Commission Meeting on January 28, 2020
- III. Discussion of notice for the public hearing
- IV. Discussion of draft portions of the Charter Review Commission Report
- V. Discussion of the following issues:

Note: These are discussion items carried over from the January 28, 2020 meeting:

- Comparison of prohibitions against discrimination under the Charter Merit System and the County Code (Item 16)
- Whistleblower Protections (Item 18) (discuss with Audit Issues)
- What should be the timeframe for establishing new Councilmanic districts after the 2020 Census to provide sufficient time to conduct the primary election in June 2022? Should there be a requirement for the Councilmanic Redistricting Commission to conduct a public hearing? Should there be a prohibition against a political party having a majority of members on the Commission? (Item 8)
- Should Councilmembers be authorized to serve more than three non-consecutive terms? Should Councilmembers be limited to serving two consecutive terms of office? (Item 11)
- Should the County Executive be authorized to serve three terms of office (Item 12)
- Should the provisions for vacancies in the County Council and the County Executive be amended? Should they be parallel (Sections 202(e) and 302(f), (g), and (h)? Should there be provisions for removal based on mental/health disability? (Item 25)

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Note: These are discussion items scheduled for today:

- Should the Councilmembers serve as the Zoning Board? (Item 2)
- Should the authority of the County Auditor be amended? (Item 13)
- Should the noninterference with the Executive Branch language in Section 215 be amended? (Item 14)
- Should the County Executive's office be removed from the list of entities able to direct the County Auditor? (Item 17)
- Should the County Auditor receive copies of reports relating to employee theft or fraud in County Government and the County Auditor be authorized to inspect the relevant records? (Item 23)
- Should the County Council have permanent legal counsel? (Item 20)

## VI. Scheduled Meeting Dates and Public Hearing Date

Meeting Dates: February 18, 2020, February 25, 2020, March 11, 2020, March 24, 2020, April 14, 2020, and April 28, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the C. Vernon Gray Conference Room, George Howard Building

Public Hearing Date: March 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Banneker Room, George Howard Building

## VII. Other Issues