Howard County Charter Review Commission

APPROVED MINUTES

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2011

Time: 9:02 a.m.

Place: C. Vernon Gray Conference Room, George Howard Building

Commission Members in attendance:

☑ Donna Richardson
☑ Michael Davis
☑ Sharon Ahn Cindy Ardinger
☑ Regina Clay
☑ Thomas Coale
☑ Edward Cochran
☑ Charles Feaga
☑ Alice Giles
☑ Yvonne Howard Steve Hunt
☑ Sang Oh
☑ Andrew Stack
☑ Joshua Tzuker
☑ James Walsh

Council Member Calvin Ball and Margaret Ann Nolan with the Office of Law were also in attendance.

- Ms. Richardson opened the meeting.
- Members unanimously approved the minutes.
- Dr. Ball stated that he was available to answer any questions
 - When asked about increasing the number of districts he stated that he believed that the Commission should look into and weigh the pros and cons of adding additional council members
 - He stated that a memo will be forthcoming from the Council Administrator with suggestions for Charter amendments
- Ms. Nolan provided recommendations for amendments to section 906 and 907
 - Recommends following the state PIA, making the language clearer and consistent

- Provided a memo with recommendations
- Public hearings are set for Sept. 14 at North Laurel Community Center and October 5 for Gary Arthur Center
- Staff will provide summary table issues that have been raised for possible charter amendments and for cost analysis of adding additional council members and/or districts.
- Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 a.m.