



AGENDA
FERNANDINA BEACH CITY COMMISSION
WORKSHOP
JUNE 23, 2020
4:00 PM
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS
204 ASH STREET
FERNANDINA BEACH, FL 32034

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, occupancy in the Commission Chambers will be limited. This meeting will be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City of Fernandina Beach website (www.fbfl.us) and Channel 264 (Comcast only).

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. DISCUSSION

- 4.1 **PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS - ORDINANCE 2020-21 SUBMITTING TO THE CITY ELECTORS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; AMENDING SECTION 1 TO REFLECT ACCURATE HISTORY OF THE CREATION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH; AMENDING SECTION 9 TO CHANGE "GROUP" TO "SEAT" FOR CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR CLARITY; AMENDING SECTION 10 TO REQUIRE CITY COMMISSIONERS TO COMPLETE PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS FOR CHARTER OFFICERS ANNUALLY AND TO INCLUDE PENALTIES FOR COMMISSIONERS INTERFERING WITH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE; AMENDING SECTION 10A TO PROVIDE THAT CONSERVATION LANDS CAN NEVER BE SOLD OR LEASED BY THE CITY AND TO PROVIDE THAT RECREATION LANDS CAN ONLY BE SOLD OR LEASED FOR FORTY YEARS OR MORE WITH UNANIMOUS VOTE OF COMMISSION AND 70% OF VOTERS APPROVAL AT REFERENDUM ELECTION; AMENDING SECTION 11 BY INCORPORATING SECTIONS 14, 15 AND 20 REGARDING QUALIFICATIONS OF CITY COMMISSIONERS, ABSENCES AND VACANCIES, ADDRESSING CODE OF ETHICS IN STATE LAW FOR COMMISSIONERS AND PROVIDING DUE PROCESS PRIOR TO FORFEITURE OF COMMISSION SEAT; REPEALING SECTIONS 14, 15 AND 20 BY INCORPORATING THESE SECTIONS INTO SECTION 11; AMENDING SECTION 16 BY CHANGING STRAW BALLOT VOTE OF THE PEOPLE FOR MAYOR TO BINDING VOTE OF THE PEOPLE FOR MAYOR, REQUIRING THAT MAYORAL CANDIDATE WITH SECOND HIGHEST VOTES BE ELECTED AS VICE MAYOR; AMENDING SECTION 17 BY MAKING MAYOR RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLETION OF CHARTER OFFICER EVALUATIONS BY COMMISSIONERS; AMENDING SECTION 21 BY INCLUDING A PROVISION TO ALLOW COMMISSIONERS TO ATTEND COMMISSION MEETINGS USING COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY DUE TO A SERIOUS MEDICAL CONDITION IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW; AMENDING SECTION 25 BY INCLUDING MINIMUM PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR CITY MANAGER, INCREASING THE TIME FOR NEW CITY MANAGER TO BECOME CITY RESIDENT FROM THIRTY TO NINETY DAYS AND REQUIRING DESIGNATION OF CITY MANAGER PRO TEM; AMENDING SECTION 136 ALLOWING COMMISSION TO AUTHORIZE INVESTIGATIONS BY**

MAJORITY VOTE AND CLARIFYING THAT CITY COMMISSIONERS, CHARTER OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF APPOINTED CITY BOARDS HAVE THE POWER TO INVESTIGATE A DEPARTMENT, OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; AMENDING RESERVED SECTION 142 TO REQUIRE THE CHARTER TO BE REVIEWED EVERY SEVEN YEARS BY A CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MADE UP OF CITY RESIDENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Synopsis: Approves the recommended changes to the City's Charter submitted by the Charter Review Committee to be placed on the ballot for voters in November 2020.*

5. ADJOURNMENT

ANY PERSON WISHING TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH MEETING OR HEARING WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND, FOR SUCH PURPOSES, MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS MADE. AT THE DISCRETION OF THE MAYOR, A RECESS MAY BE SCHEDULED EVERY NINETY MINUTES.

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