



CITY OF DOVER

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**
Meeting Location: **City Hall, City Council Conference Room**
Meeting Date: **Monday, February 1, 2021**
Meeting Time: **8:30 a.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Shanahan called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Councilor Shanahan, Councilor Cullen, Lindsey Williams

Also Present: City Attorney, Joshua Wyatt, Dep. City Attorney, Jennifer Perez

No citizens present for citizens' forum.

2. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES – January 4, 2021

3. CHARTER AMENDMENT PROCESS

The Committee discussed the upcoming process of the Charter Amendment. Councilor Shanahan passed out a list of potential amendments to the Charter. Attorney Wyatt reported on the discussions he had with the Attorney General's Office. He spoke to the person that is responsible for reviewing Charter Amendments and was told to please send over a preview of the amendments before the final submission. Ballot creation is formed at the local level. Also, Census and ward boundaries was discussed and what the AG's position is. Further discussion needs to take place with the AG's office.

Williams discussed with the Committee the amendments to the Charter with respect to the Ethics Commission. She said the Commission will consist of 5 members appointed. Williams provided a handout with potential changes for the Ethics Commission and wording of current Charter that could be confusing or inconsistent. Also, discussion ensued about the vacancy references in the Charter among the Committee. Williams also asked if the Tax Cap would be included?

Discussion about preparing a public introduction of the process this month? Also discussed how it will be provided. Williams said she has heard the public is watching the video meetings.

Shanahan said he would update his amendments per discussions today then send to Wyatt for further revision before the next meeting. Williams said the vacancy issue should be resolved before the next meeting due to the timeline.

4. GENERAL DISCUSSION

Wyatt had an update on the zoning ordinance being recodified and General Code sent a final draft. A word version will be sent over shortly. Wyatt is planning on bringing to next Commission meeting and to go over what they changed, etc.

5. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING



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7. ADJOURN

Councilor Shanahan moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Williams and Cullen.
Vote: 3/0.