

**CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE
RHODE ISLAND
JOURNAL CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION**

July 19, 2023

Council Chamber, City Hall, 145 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island 02914

Present: Commissioners John Faria (arrived 6:53 p.m.), David Luiz, Valerie Perry, Bruce Rogers, Julie Silva, Michael Sullo, Joseph Tavares, Manuel Vinhateiro, Chairman Marc Furtado

Also in Attendance: Assistant City Solicitor Dylan Conley

Chairman Furtado called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT & COMMUNICATIONS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes

June 21, 2023

Motion to approve the minutes of June 21, 2023 as written made by Mr. Vinhateiro, seconded by Mr. Sullo, and unanimously passed.

**B. "Discussion and possible vote re: procedure of Charter Commission going forward."
(Bruce Rogers)**

Mr. Rogers led the discussion regarding a policy to be adopted by the Commission establishing guidelines for how the Commission operates when going before the City Council or media. Discussion ended following a request by Ms. Silva to move the question.

Motion requiring any Commission member going before the City Council or media to make the Commission members aware of what is to be said beforehand made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Tavares. The motion passed on a 5-4 vote.

Voting Aye: Perry, Rogers, Silva, Tavares, Vinhateiro

Voting Nay: Faria, Luiz, Sullo, Furtado

C. Vote on Changes from June 21 Meeting -

Motion to delay to the next meeting made by Ms. Silva, seconded by Mr. Rogers, unanimously passed.

D. Discussion Article III Mayor

Sec. 3-5 (4) – add the word **year** after 6 months close of fiscal.

Sec. 3-5 (5) – delete the word **sure**

Sec. 3-5 (12) – delete second **such**

Sec. 3-8 – change City Clerk to **Canvassing Clerk**

Sec. 3-9 – delete the word **an** before Attorneys-at-law in third sentence

The Solicitor will draft additional language for next meeting.

Motion for the Solicitor to request Malcolm Moore's attendance at a special meeting to go over Sec. IV – Department of Finance made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Vinhateiro. Unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Vinhateiro.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Attest:

Valerie A. Perry
Secretary