

Minutes

Princeton Home Rule Charter Commission

Regular Meeting of June 1, 2022

The Princeton Home Rule Charter Commission of the City of Princeton, Texas ("HRCC"), met in Regular Session on June 1, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, located at 2000 E. Princeton Dr. Princeton, Texas 75407.

The following HRCC commissioners were present: Jody Sutherland (Chair), David Walker, John Ragan, Nikki Krum (Vice-Chair), Melissa Ned, Andrew Bongiani, Jim Key, Brenda Honea, Maxine Ellis, Ryan Gerfers, Kelly Carr, and Mike Brinkerhoff.

The following commissioners were absent: Lindsey Kessler, Nichole Amadio, and Rich Hooper.

The following HRCC alternates were present: Shelley Nunley, and Matthew Krum.

The following Staff Members were present: City Attorney David Overcash, Director of Development Services Shawn Fort, Deputy City Secretary/Records Clerk Gabrielle Sutton, and Director of Community Engagement Tenishea Turner.

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL. Jody Sutherland (Chair), called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

2. Public Comment. Members of the public were invited to address the HRCC regarding any topic on the night's agenda, or any other topic. No one was present.

3. Consent Agenda: The following items were adopted unanimously, without objection or debate, as part of the consent agenda:

a. Adoption of the draft minutes of the HRCC May 18, 2022, meeting as the official minutes for said meeting.

b. Adopting updates to the HRCC roster to reflect exchanges of alternates and voting members. Alternates Melissa Ned and Andrew Bongiani were exchanged with Lora Wilcher and Jeff Truitt as Voting Members.

4. Discussions and deliberations regarding the formation of a charter for the City of Princeton, Texas. The HRCC deliberations included a variety of

topics relating to the municipal court, city boards and commissions, the code of ordinances, and use of districts for election of members of the city's governing body, including:

- a. **Chapter Eight: Municipal Court**
- b. **Chapter Nine: Boards and Commissions**
- c. **Chapter Ten: Ordinances**
- d. **Chapter Fourteen: General and Transition Provisions**
- e. **Potential use of districts for election of the City Council seats (relates primarily to Chapter Two (Form of Government) and Chapter 11 (Elections)).**

Commissioner Brinkerhoff moved to adopt Chapter 8 – Municipal Court, presented in the current draft, seconded by Commissioner Krum; said motion was adopted 11-0 following a roll call vote of members present.

A motion to modify Chapter 9 of the HRC draft to provide that the City's appointed boards and commissions will select their own Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson to serve as officers for those bodies was made by Commissioner Krum and seconded by Commissioner Ellis; said motion was adopted 11-0 following a roll call vote of members present.

A motion to modify Chapter 9 (Boards and Commissions) of the HRC draft to require the City Council to establish and maintain both an Economic Development Corporation and Community Development Corporation was made by Commissioner Ragan and seconded by Commissioner Krum; said motion was adopted 11-0 following a roll call vote of members present.

A motion to add provisions to Chapter 10 which require online publication of all adopted city ordinances, with new enactments to be published online within 90 days and all historic ordinances to be published within 3 years following the adoption of the HRC was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Krum; said the motion was adopted 9-1 following a roll call vote of members present, with Commissioner Brinkeroff voting against the motion. Commissioner Walker abstained from this vote or was not present in the chamber during the roll call.

No specific action was taking regarding Chapter 14 – General and Transition Provisions.

A motion to modify the HRC draft to provide for appointment of a districting commission to create districts for elections of 4 of the City Councilmember places, with 3 places to remain elected at-large, with said committee to be appointed by City Council following adoption of the HRC and empowered to determine various logistical issues associated with the districting process, was made by Commissioner Krum and seconded by Commissioner Ellis; said the

motion was adopted 8-3 following a roll call vote of members present, with Commissioners Key, Carr, and Brinkerhoff voting against.

5. Discussion and potential action regarding meeting calendar and letting agenda items for the next HRCC meeting, scheduled for June 15, 2022. A typographical error was noted in the printed agenda which stated the date of the next meeting to be June 1, 2022, when it shall occur June 15, 2022. HRCC engaged in general discussion regarding the agendas for upcoming meetings and provided input to staff. The June 15, 2022 agenda will include further deliberations relating to details of Chapter Nine ("Boards and Commissions"); Chapter Ten ("Ordinances"); Chapter 13 (Franchises); and provisions relating to councilmember election districts. Other chapters may also be listed for discussion as time permits.

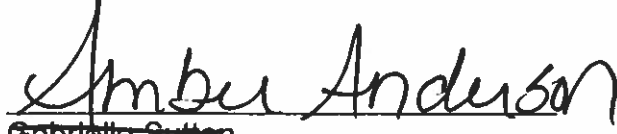
6. ADJOURN. The Chair invited a motion to adjourn, which was made from the floor and seconded. The meeting was adjourned by voice vote without objection or debate at 8:40 p.m.

THESE MINUTES ADOPTED AS THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JUNE 1, 2022, HRCC MEETING, BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE HRCC, AT ITS MEETING ON THE 15 DAY OF June, 2022.



Nikki Krum, Vice-Chair
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ATTEST:



Gabrielle Sutton
Amber Anderson