



**CITY OF WEST MIAMI  
MINUTES**

**CHARTER REVIEW BOARD MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2017**

**6:00 PM**

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**901 S.W. 62<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE**

**WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA**

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **ROLL CALL.** The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:15 P.M. Present were Mayor Eduardo H. Muhiña, Vice-Mayor Candida Blanca, Commissioner Juan M. Blanes and Commissioner Rhonda A. Rodriguez. Commissioner Luciano L. Suarez was excused.

**Present also were:**

Member Antonia Chavez

Member Natalie Milian

Member Ralph Orelle

Member Joe Paz

City Manager Yolanda Aguilar

City Attorney Jose A. Villalobos

City Clerk Annery Gonzalez

3. **CITIZENS PRESENTATIONS.** No presentations.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 CHARTER REVIEW BOARD MEETING.** Vice-Mayor Blanca motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez. All voted in favor.
5. **OLD BUSINESS:** None
6. **NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEM:**
  - A) **Opening Remarks, Eduardo H. Muhiña, Mayor.** The Mayor gave the opening remarks.
  - B) **Schedule of Charter Review Board Meetings.** All were in favor to hold the next Charter Review Board meeting on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.
  - C) **Revisit Issues Discussed at Charter Review Board Meeting of October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** The City Attorney referred to Section 3.08 of the Charter and the proposed language as follows:



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**HOW THE CHARTER CURRENTLY READS**

**§ 3.08 - – Mayor; Vice-Mayor.**

The Mayor shall preside at meetings of the Council, shall be recognized as head of the City government for all ceremonial purposes, by the Governor for purposes of military law, for service of process, execution of contracts, deeds and other documents, and as the City official designated to represent the City in all agreements with other governmental entities or certifications to other governmental entities, but shall have no administrative duties except as required to carry out the responsibilities herein.

The Vice-Mayor shall act as Mayor during the absence or disability of the Mayor, or in the event the office of Mayor becomes vacant or the Mayor becomes permanently incapacitated, then the Vice Mayor shall be appointed as Mayor for the remainder of the term of the Mayor.

In said events, the councilman receiving the second highest vote in the immediate prior election shall act as Vice-Mayor during the period that the Vice-Mayor acts as Mayor, as heretofore provided.

In the event of a councilman being appointed or elevated by reason of the vacancy in the offices of Mayor or Vice-Mayor, such councilman's current term shall not be shortened by such appointment or elevation.

**DRAFT OF PROPOSED LANGUAGE**

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All were in favor of the proposed language recommended by the City Attorney. Also the City Attorney stated he would bring a proposal containing all the changes recommended by the Board at the next meeting.



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7. GOOD OF THE ORDER: None
  
8. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Charter Review Board, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Annery Gonzalez", is written over a horizontal line.

ANNERY GONZALEZ, CMC  
CITY CLERK