

ACTION AGENDA OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026, 5:30 PM
118 ARIZONA STREET, BISBEE, AZ 85603

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY FRED MILLER AT 5:30PM

ROLL CALL:

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Ward I

Frank Davis – Excused

John Guy, Vice Chair - Present

Peter Gaffer- Present

Nicole France- Present

Ward II

Fred Miller, Chair- Present

Margaret Sowid – Present

Luana Proffitt – Present

Bert Whitehead- Present

Ward III

Margaret Hartnett, Secretary- Present

Darrell Dixon- Present

Lora Bateman- Present

Kelly Overacker-Present

Original Freeholder: Thomas Wheeler- Present

Former Committee Member:

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

Ken Budge, Mayor – Present

CITY STAFF LIAISON

Nina Williams, Deputy City Clerk – Present

CITY ATTORNEY

Joe Estes, City Attorney

1. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article VII, Ordinances and Resolutions.

Fred Miller, Chair

In Article VII Ordinances and Resolutions in Section 7.06 Emergency Ordinance (c) Procedure change **vote of six Council Members** to read **super majority**.

In Article VII Ordinances and Resolutions in Section 7.10 Publication of Ordinances and Resolutions **member Bert Whitehead will come up with wording for - State Law requirements for publications.**

7. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article VIII, Contracts.

Fred Miller, Chair

In Article VIII Contracts in Section 8.02 Purchase and Contracts for City Improvements (b) Contracts over \$5,000.00 and Public Works Improvements and (c) Council Approve Contract over \$5,000.00 **members unanimously agreed to change the amount to \$15,000.00**

In Article VIII Contracts in Section 8.03 Bids **make language consistent throughout document regarding public notices – State Law requirements for publications.**

In Article VIII Contracts in Section 8.063 Contracts for Official Advertising – **member Bert Whitehead to look into the wording.**

8. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article IX, Elections.
Fred Miller, Chair

In Article IX Elections Section 9.01 Type of Elections (a) Primary (b) General- **Committee to discuss at the end and make recommendations on election(s) to be held.**

In Article IX Elections Section 9.10 Time of Holding Primary Elections and Section 9.11 Time of Holding General Elections **change the State of Arizona to the State and do this throughout the document to be consistent.**

In Article IX Elections Section 9.13 Early Voting - **correct the scrivener's error and capitalize State.**

In Article IX Elections Section 9.15 Alignment of Ward Boundaries – **members unanimously agreed to change 1980 to read most recent census.**

9. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article X, Initiative, Referendum and Recall.
Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee made no changes to Article X Initiative, Referendum and Recall.

10. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XI, Magistrate Court.
Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee made no changes to Article XI Magistrate.

11. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XII, Franchise and Public Utilities.
Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee made no changes to Article XII Franchise and Public Utilities.

12. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XIII, Public Records.
Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee made no changes to Article XIII Public Records.

13. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XIV, General Provisions.

Fred Miller, Chair

In Article XIV General Provisions Section 14.08 Council Meetings to be Recorded – **Committee asked that staff come up with wording regarding broadcasting since there is no local access channels to broadcast on.**

14. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XV, Prohibition Against Discrimination.

Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee made no changes to Article XV Prohibition Against Discrimination.

15. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XVI, Succession in Government.

Fred Miller, Chair

The Committee asked if this was cross referenced in the code and if this could be gotten rid of staff will look into and let them know.

16. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions regarding Article XVII, Amendments.

Fred Miller, Chair

In Article XVII Amendments – Committee asked if this could be renumbered if Article XVI was gotten rid of – this would become Article XVI Amendments.

Committee would like consistent language throughout the document regarding gender – he to he/she.

Fred Miller, Chair, stated that items discussed in previous meetings and at tonight's meeting will be brought back at the next meeting for approval:

- **Compensation Board**
- **Remote Authorization**
- **Training for Mayor and Council mandatory to attend within 6 months of being appointed.**
- **Single Election Cycle instead of having a Primary and General Election holding just the General Election**
- **Potential language revisions; ensure consistent terminology throughout the document**

Next meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday, May 13, 2026**, in Council Chambers.
Ashlee Coronado, Interim City Manager

Adjournment: **6:52PM Unanimously**