

AGENDA OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026, 5:30 PM
118 ARIZONA STREET, BISBEE, AZ 85603

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY _____ AT _____ PM

ROLL CALL:

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Ward I

Frank Davis

John Guy, Vice Chair

Peter Gaffer

Nicole France

Ward II

Fred Miller, Chair

Margaret Sowid

Luana Proffitt

Bert Whitehead

Ward III

Margaret Hartnett, Secretary

Darrell Dixon

Lora Bateman

Kelly Overacker

Original Freeholder: Thomas Wheeler

Former Committee Member:

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

Ken Budge, Mayor

CITY STAFF LIAISON

Ashlee Coronado, Interim City Manager

CITY ATTORNEY

Joe Estes, City Attorney

1. Discussion and Possible Recommendation on the following Proposed Amendments that will be sent to Mayor and Council: (Fred Miller, Chair)
 - Approval of the Revision to the Charter Preamble and removal of gender-specific language throughout the document.
 - Approval of the Language revisions to ensure consistent terminology throughout the Charter, including replacing references to “the State of Arizona” with “the State.”
 - Approval of the Amendment to Article II, Section 2.10 establishing a Compensation Board to review Mayor and Council salaries and make recommendations subject to ratification by the electorate.
 - Approval of the creation of a New Section 2.13(e) requiring elected or appointed Council members to attend League of Arizona Cities and Towns Newly Elected Officials training.
 - Approval of the Revision to Section 7.06(c) replacing “vote of six (6) council members” with “a supermajority of the Council.”

- Approval of the Revision to Section 7.10 regarding State law publication requirements.

Suggested Revision: "...shall be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks **in the official newspaper of the City (or any other printed or electronic medium permitted by State law) and on the City's official website** before they become effective and operative. Emergency measures shall be published twice **in the official newspaper of the City (or any other printed or electronic medium permitted by State law) and on the City's official website** within 30 days after their passage."

- Approval of the Amendment to Section 8.02(b) increasing the purchasing threshold from \$5,000 to \$15,000.
- Approval of the Amendment to Section 8.02(c) increasing the purchasing threshold from \$5,000 to \$15,000.
- Approval of the Revision to Section 8.03 regarding State law publication requirements.

Suggested Revision: "Such notice shall be published at least once **in the official newspaper of the City (or any other printed or electronic medium permitted by State law) and on the City's official website**, not less than five days prior to

- Approval of the Revision to Section 8.06 regarding contracts for official advertising; State law publication requirements.
- Amendment to Section 9.06(a) regarding the inclusion of "email" as an approved form of notice or communication.
- Amendment to Section 9.15 replacing "1980" with "most recent."
- Revision to Section 14.08 removing references to local access channels.

Suggested Revision: "All meetings of the Bisbee City Council, except those legally exempt under Arizona law, shall be made publicly available through City-designated media platforms and methods."

- Removal of Article XVI, pending legal and staff review.

2. Discussion and Possible Approval of a Recommendation regarding Article IX, Section 9.01, concerning whether to maintain separate Primary and General Elections or transition to a single General Election cycle for City elections.

Fred Miller, Chair

3. Discussion and Possible Approval of a next meeting.

Fred Miller, Chair

- **If Necessary:** Next meeting has been scheduled for _____ in Council Chambers.

Adjournment

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