

**LAFOURCHE PARISH HOME RULE  
CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION  
THIBODAUX CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM  
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA**

The Charter Revision Commission assembled at the Thibodaux City Council Meeting Room, 310 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, on Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chairman Danny Mayet at 6:30 P.M.

A prayer was given by Elizabeth Breaux, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by the Commission.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Ms. Mary Kitchen (Entered Meeting @ 6:47 P.M.)  
Ms. Sharleen Hotard  
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux  
Mr. Charles Beasley  
Mr. O.E. Monnier (Absent)  
Mr. Danny Mayet  
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.  
Mr. John Plaisance (Absent)  
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Mickles  
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.  
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta

Judge Walter Lanier, Jr. moved and Henry Lafont, Jr. seconded to invite the 1976 Home Rule Charter members to the special meeting on July 15, 2004. Without objection, the motion passed.

A motion by Judge Walter Lanier, Jr., seconded by Sharleen Hotard, that each member get a signed copy of the original. Without any objections, the motion passed.

A motion by Judge Walter Lanier, Jr., seconded by Joseph Mickles, to adopt Article III, Organization, Structure And Distribution Of Powers And Functions, Section 3, The Executive Branch, Paragraph D 3, Department of Public Works. Without objection, the motion was adopted.

A motion by Charles Beasley, seconded by Sharleen Hotard, to remove "provided, however, these persons may be classified at a later date by ordinance." in Article IV, Civil Service Department, Section 2, Persons Excluded From The Civil Service.

A substitute motion to the above by Henry Lafont, Jr., seconded by Elizabeth Breaux, to add "unless they have been designated classified employees by ordinance" back in Article III, Organization, Structure And Distribution Of Powers And Functions, Section 2, The Legislative Branch, Paragraph J 4.

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mary Kitchen	Yes
Ms. Sharleen Hotard	No
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux	Yes
Mr. Charles Beasley	No
Mr. O.E. Monnier	(Absent)
Mr. Danny Mayet	Yes
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.	Yes
Mr. John Plaisance	(Absent)
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Mickles	Yes
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.	Yes
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta	No

Henry Lafont, Jr. motioned and Elizabeth Breaux seconded to add Paragraph "J." to Article IV, Civil Service Department, Section 2, Persons Excluded From The Civil Service System.

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mary Kitchen	Yes
Ms. Sharleen Hotard	Yes
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux	No
Mr. Charles Beasley	No
Mr. O.E. Monnier	(Absent)
Mr. Danny Mayet	Yes
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.	Yes
Mr. John Plaisance	(Absent)
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Mickles	No
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.	No
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta	Yes

With a vote of 2 absences, 4 nays, and 5 yeas, the motion failed.

A motion by Elizabeth Breaux, seconded by Charles Beasley, to open the Public Hearing. Without any objections, the motion passed and at 7:07 P.M. Co-Chairman Danny Mayet, declared the Public Hearing open.

Thibodaux City Councilman Jerome "Dee" Richard discussed base salary.

Councilman Lindel Toups expressed that he was against term limits for offices and suggested the removal of the annual 2% salary increase.

Councilman Mark Atzenhoffer expressed he is against options.

Mr. Richard Arabie, Reverend Lloyd Wallace, Mr. Michael Matherne, Ms. Marilyn Duet and Shannon Chiasson also spoke at the meeting.

Joseph Fertitta motioned and Charles Beasley seconded to close the Public Hearing. Without any objections, the motion passed and at 8:00 P.M. Co-Chairman Danny Mayet declared the Public Hearing closed.

A motion by Henry Lafont, Jr., seconded by Sharleen Hotard, that in Article III, Organization, Structure And Distribution Of Powers And Functions Section 5, Compensations, label the paragraph "A", change "2005" to "2008" and "2024" to "2027" and insert "Paragraph B" to read as follows: "Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, the Lafourche Parish Council may by ordinance fix the annual salary of the Parish President to \$ 65,000 if said ordinance is adopted by June 30, 2005, set increase to be effective immediately upon adoption."

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mary Kitchen	Yes
Ms. Sharleen Hotard	Yes
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux	Yes
Mr. Charles Beasley	Yes
Mr. O.E. Monnier	(Absent)
Mr. Danny Mayet	Yes
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.	Yes

Mr. John Plaisance	(Absent)
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Mr. Joseph “Joe” Mickles	Yes
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.	Yes
Mr. Joseph “Joe” Fertitta	Yes

A motion by Joseph Fertitta, seconded by Charles Beasley, to remove term limits as an option and from document.

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mary Kitchen	No
Ms. Sharleen Hotard	Yes
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux	No
Mr. Charles Beasley	Yes
Mr. O.E. Monnier	(Absent)
Mr. Danny Mayet	No
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.	No
Mr. John Plaisance	(Absent)
Mr. Joseph “Joe” Mickles	No
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.	No
Mr. Joseph “Joe” Fertitta	Yes

With a vote of 2 absences, 3 yeas, and 6 nays, the motion failed.

A motion by Joseph Fertitta, seconded by Sharleen Hotard, to accept Article IV, Civil Service Department, as corrected. Without objection, the motion passed.

A motion by Charles Beasley, seconded by Sharleen Hotard, to accept Article V, Ordinances, Resolutions, And Motions, with the changes.

Judge Walter Lanier motioned and Sharleen Hotard seconded to add “, shall be adopted as provided for in Article V and ” behind “appropriation” in Article VI, Finance, Section 3, Amendment Of A Budget After Adoption, Paragraph E, Effective Date of Amendment. Without any objections, the motion passed.

A motion by Elizabeth Breaux, seconded by Joseph Mickles, to accept Article VI, Finance, as changed. Without objection, the motion passed.

A motion by Sharleen Hotard, seconded by Charles Beasley, to accept Article VII, Initiative And Referendum, with the changes. Without objection, the motion passed.

Elizabeth Breaux motioned and Sharleen Hotard seconded to accept Article VIII, General Provisions, with the changes. Without any objections, the motion passed.

A motion by Elizabeth Breaux, seconded by Charles Beasley, to accept Article IX, Amendment And Repeal, with the changes. Without objection, the motion passed.

A motion by Henry Lafont, Jr., seconded by Joseph Fertitta, that in Article X, Transitional Provisions” replace “For No” with “Against.” Without any objections, the motion passed.

Joseph Fertitta motioned and Charles Beasley seconded to adopt Article X, Transitional Provisions, with the changes. The motion was withdrawn.

Joseph Fertitta motioned and Charles Beasley seconded to adopt Article X, Transitional Provisions, with the changes. With out objection, the motion was adopted.

The next Commissioners meeting will be held on Monday, July 12, 2004, at 7:00 P.M.

A motion by Joseph Fertitta, seconded by Judge Walter Lanier, Jr., to send thank you notes

to the Port Commission and City Of Thibodaux. Without objection  
, the motion passed.

On motion by Joseph Fertitta and seconded by Elizabeth Breaux, the meeting was adjourned  
without objection at 9:40 P.M.

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MARY R. KITCHEN, SECRETARY

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JOHN J. PLAISANCE, II, CHAIRMAN