

**LAFOURCHE PARISH HOME RULE  
CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION  
BARRIOS CENTER  
RACELAND, LOUISIANA**

The Charter Revision Commission assembled at its regular meeting place, Barrios Center, 1612 HWY. 182, Suite 100, Raceland, Louisiana, on Wednesday, July 14, 2004, at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Plaisance at 6:35 P.M.

A prayer was given by Danny Mayet, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by Sharleen Hotard.

Upon roll call, the following members were present:

Ms. Mary Kitchen (Entered Meeting @ 6:40 P.M.)  
Ms. Sharleen Hotard  
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux  
Mr. Charles Beasley  
Mr. O.E. Monnier, Jr.  
Mr. Danny Mayet  
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.  
Mr. John Plaisance  
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Mickles  
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.  
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta

A motion by Sharleen Hotard, seconded by Judge Walter Lanier, Jr., to add "from January 2009" before through in line five of Article III, Organization, Structure And Distribution Of Powers And Functions, Section 5, Compensation, Paragraph A. Without any objection, the motion passed.

Mary Kitchen entered the meeting at 6:40 P.M.

Judge Walter Lanier Jr., motioned and Henry Lafont seconded that Elizabeth Breaux be appointed to proofread the Home Rule Charter document. Without objection, the motion passed.

A motion by Judge Walter Lanier Jr., seconded by Henry Lafont, Jr., that Article III, Organization, Structure And Distribution Of Powers And Functions, Section 3, The Executive Branch, Paragraph B 9, would go back to its original condition. Without any objections, the motion passed.

Ms. Lisa Orgeron, Councilman Gouaux, Mr. Kirk Cheramie, Mr. Cullen Curole, Rou Sapia, and Doug Cheramie spoke at the meeting.

Elizabeth Breaux motioned and Joseph Fertitta seconded to amend Article VI, Finance, Section 2, Administration Of The Budgets, Paragraph A, Expenditures That May Be Made Without Further Authority, to read as follows: "A finally adopted operating budget, and any subsequently adopted amendment thereto, shall constitute full authority to incur liabilities and authorize expenditures from the budgeted operating funds of the Parish during the fiscal year, unless the finally adopted operating budget, or any such subsequently adopted amendment thereto, specifically provides otherwise; provided, however, no such limitation shall affect the ability of the Executive Branch to effectively and efficiency carry out the powers, functions, and duties given to it by this Charter. No expenditure from the finally adopted capital budget, and any subsequently adopted amendment thereto, shall be made without the submittal of a contract to the Council for approval as provided for in Article V of this Charter. Contracts entered into pursuant to this authority shall comply with Article III, Section 3, Paragraph B 9 of this Charter." With one objection by Henry Lafont, Jr., the motion was passed.

Henry Lafont motioned and Charles Beasley seconded to attach Judge Walter Lanier Jr's memo and Mr. Michael Matherne's e-mail to the Commission minutes. Without objection, the

motion passed.

On motion by Elizabeth Breaux, and unanimously seconded, to accept the Home Rule Charter document as amended.

Roll Call Vote

Ms. Mary Kitchen	Yes
Ms. Sharleen Hotard	Yes
Ms. Elizabeth Breaux	Yes
Mr. Charles Beasley	Yes
Mr. O.E. Monnier	Yes
Mr. Danny Mayet	Yes
Mr. Henry Lafont, Jr.	Yes
Mr. John Plaisance	Yes
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Mickles	Yes
Judge Walter I. Lanier, Jr.	Yes
Mr. Joseph "Joe" Fertitta	Yes

With a vote of 0 nays and 11 yeas, the motion passed.

A joint meeting with the Council will be held on Monday, July 19, 2004, at 6:30 P.M.

On motion by Joseph Fertitta and seconded by Joseph Mickles, the meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:20 P.M.

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MARY R. KITCHEN, SECRETARY

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JOHN J. PLAISANCE, II, CHAIRMAN