



**CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION**

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**AGENDA**

Lori Moseley – Chair, Hazelle Rogers - Vice Chair, Hayward Benson, Jr., Michael Buckner, Maggie Davidson, Debby Eisinger, David Esack, Patricia Good, H. K. “Petey” Kaletta, Mark Ketcham, Dr. Mark Lieberman, Joseph Maus, Ted Mena, Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Bruce Rogow, Dr. Irving Rosenbaum, Jodi Jeffreys-Tanner, Wil Trower, Richard Jay Weiss

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**Wednesday, March 12, 2008**

**5:00 PM**

**Broward County Governmental Center**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATION:**

Lori Moseley, Chair, Charter Review Commission

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**FIRST READING OF PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

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| 1.  | RESOLUTION 2008-001  | CREATION OF A METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY (MTA)        |
| 2.  | RESOLUTION 2008-002  | NON-INTERFERENCE IN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION                 |
| 3.  | RESOLUTION 2008-003  | COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS RULES AND VOTING (RECUSAL)     |
| 4.  | RESOLUTION 2008-005  | BROWARD COUNTY HOUSING COUNCIL                            |
| 5.  | RESOLUTION 2008-006  | BROWARD COUNTY REGIONALISM POLICY STATEMENTS              |
| 6.  | RESOLUTION 2008-007  | BROWARD COUNTY PARKS PRESERVATION                         |
| 7.  | RESOLUTION 2008-008  | BROWARD COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT             |
| 8.  | RESOLUTION 2008-010  | BROWARD COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION                          |
| 9.  | RESOLUTION 2008-014  | REDISTRICTING PROCESS                                     |
| 10. | RESOLUTION 2008-016  | CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN’S SERVICES                 |
| 11. | RESOLUTION 2008-018  | COUNTY COMMISSION TO PROVIDE RESPONSIVE REPORT TO MESCC   |
| 12. | RESOLUTION 2008-019  | ONE YEAR HIATUS BETWEEN END OF MESCC AND BEGINNING OF CRC |
| 13. | RESOLUTION 2008-015* | COMPOSITION OF COUNTY COMMISSION                          |

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**PUBLIC INPUT ON ADDITIONAL TOPICS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**1. RESOLUTION 2008-001 CREATION OF A METROPLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY (MTA)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF A METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, APPOINTMENTS, TERMS OF OFFICE, POWERS, DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY; AMENDING THE DEFINITION SECTION OF THE CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR A TRANSIT AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 3.08, "DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION", TO PROVIDE FOR THE REFERENCE TO THE OFFICE/DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**2. RESOLUTION 2008-002 NON-INTERFERENCE IN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: COUNTY COMMISSION"; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2.07, ENTITLED "NON-INTERFERENCE IN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION"; PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION OF INTERFERENCE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION IN MATTERS RELATING TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**3. RESOLUTION 2008-003 COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS RULES AND VOTING (RECUSAL)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: COUNTY COMMISSION"; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2.05, ENTITLED "COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS, RULES AND VOTING"; REQUIRING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WHO RECUSE THEMSELVES FROM VOTING ON A SPECIFIC MATTER BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 112, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO LEAVE THE COMMISSION CHAMBER AND NOT TO COMMUNICATE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION RELATED TO THAT MATTER AT THE TIME OF THE VOTE; ALLOWING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WHO RECUSE THEMSELVES FROM

VOTING ON A SPECIFIC MATTER BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 286, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO REMAIN ON THE DAIS AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DEBATE RELATED TO THAT MATTER AT THE TIME OF THE VOTE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**4. RESOLUTION 2008-005 BROWARD COUNTY HOUSING COUNCIL**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XI OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "GENERAL PROVISIONS"; SPECIFICALLY CREATING SECTION 11.07, TO BE ENTITLED "BROWARD COUNTY HOUSING COUNCIL"; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA; PROVIDING FOR TERMS; PROVIDING FOR VACANCIES; PROVIDING FOR BI-MONTHLY MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**5. RESOLUTION 2008-006 BROWARD COUNTY REGIONALISM POLICY STATEMENT**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "CREATION OF COUNTY AND POWERS OF GOVERNMENT"; SPECIFICALLY CREATING SECTION 1.06, TO BE ENTITLED "BROWARD COUNTY REGIONALISM POLICY STATEMENT"; PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF A STATEMENT DETAILING THE BROWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT'S DUTY TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS, POLICY AND BUDGET WITH A COUNTYWIDE AND REGIONAL FOCUS; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**6. RESOLUTION 2008-007 BROWARD COUNTY PARKS PRESERVATION**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VIII OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "LAND USE PLANNING"; SPECIFICALLY CREATING SECTION 8.13, TO BE ENTITLED "BROWARD COUNTY PARK PRESERVATION"; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS OF CERTAIN TERMS HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF ALL COUNTY-OWNED PARKS LOCATED IN BROWARD COUNTY AS EITHER NATURAL AREA PARKS OR REGIONAL PARKS; PROVIDING FOR A REQUIREMENT THAT CERTAIN LAND ACQUIRED BY BROWARD COUNTY SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS EITHER A NATURAL AREA PARK OR A REGIONAL PARK; PROVIDING FOR THE REQUIREMENT OF A REFERENDUM TO CHANGE THE USE OR TO SELL THE COUNTY-OWNED PARKS DESIGNATED AS NATURAL AREA PARKS; PROVIDING FOR THE REQUIREMENT OF A REFERENDUM TO CHANGE THE USE OR TO SELL THE COUNTY-OWNED PARKS DESIGNATED AS REGIONAL PARKS; PROVIDING FOR THE PRESERVATION OF PARKS TRANSFERRED FROM BROWARD COUNTY TO MUNICIPALITIES OR OTHER ENTITIES ; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**7. RESOLUTION 2008-008 BROWARD COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY STATEMENT**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "CREATION OF COUNTY AND POWERS OF GOVERNMENT"; SPECIFICALLY CREATING SECTION 1.04(P), PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF A STATEMENT DETAILING THE BROWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT'S DUTY TO ENACT POLICIES WHICH PROTECT CITIZENS' RIGHTS TO A SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT WHILE ENCOURAGING THE STEWARDSHIP OF NATURAL RESOURCES; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**8. RESOLUTION 2008-010 BROWARD COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XI OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "GENERAL PROVISIONS"; SPECIFICALLY CREATING SECTION 11.08, TO BE ENTITLED "BROWARD COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA; PROVIDING FOR TERM AND VACANCIES; PROVIDING FOR MONTHLY MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR QUORUM REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF A CHAIR AND

VICE-CHAIR; DIRECTING THE BROWARD COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION TO PREPARE A CODE OF ETHICS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, THE ELECTORS OF BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION OF A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**9. RESOLUTION 2008-014 REDISTRICTING PROCESS**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: COUNTY COMMISSION"; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2.01, ENTITLED "COMPOSITION, TERMS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS" AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION 2.16, ENTITLED "REDISTRICTING PROCESS"; PROVIDING FOR A REDISTRICTING PROCESS FOR COUNTY COMMISSION SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS; ENACTING A NEW SECTION 2.17, TO BE ENTITLED "REDISTRICTING STANDARDS"; PROVIDING FOR STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY COMMISSION SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**10. RESOLUTION 2008-016 CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION, REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONTINUE SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S SERVICES AS A PRIORITY IN BROWARD COUNTY; DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COUNTY MAYOR, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**11. RESOLUTION 2008-018 COUNTY COMMISSION TO PROVIDE RESPONSIVE REPORT TO MESC**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION, REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION REGARDING THE ISSUE OF WHETHER SECTION 10.01 OF THE COUNTY CHARTER SHOULD BE AMENDED TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SUBMIT A RESPONSE TO THE MANAGEMENT AND EFFICIENCY

COMMITTEE'S ("MESC") FINAL REPORT NO LATER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE MESC REPORT; DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COUNTY MAYOR, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**12. RESOLUTION 2008-019 ONE YEAR HIATUS BETWEEN END OF MESC AND BEGINNING OF CRC**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "MANAGEMENT AND EFFICIENCY STUDY COMMITTEE"; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 10.01, ENTITLED "MANAGEMENT AND EFFICIENCY STUDY COMMITTEE"; PROVIDING FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND EFFICIENCY STUDY COMMITTEE TO CONVENE IN 2009 AND EVERY SIX (6) YEARS THEREAFTER; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION OF THIS AMENDMENT TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**13. RESOLUTION 2008-015\* COMPOSITION OF COUNTY COMMISSION**

**\*STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION ADOPTING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II, OF THE CHARTER OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "LEGISLATIVE BRANCH: COUNTY COMMISSION"; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2.01, ENTITLED "COMPOSITION, TERMS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS"; AMENDING SECTION 2.01, ENTITLED "TERM LIMITATION FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER OFFICE"; AMENDING SECTION 2.03, ENTITLED "COMMISSION ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE-MAYOR"; PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF AN AT-LARGE MAYOR TO A FOUR-YEAR TERM; PROVIDING FOR THE MAYOR TO BE ELECTED COUNTYWIDE; PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF ONE (1) AT-LARGE COUNTY COMMISSIONER; PROVIDING FOR TERM LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR A TRANSITION SCHEDULE; PROVIDING FOR CONTINUITY IN OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR CONSISTENCY THROUGHOUT THE CHARTER TO ACCOUNT FOR A TRANSITION TO AN AT-LARGE ELECTED MAYOR AND TEN (10) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REPRESENTING NINE (9) SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS WITH ONE COMMISSIONER ELECTED AT-LARGE, AS DETAILED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR PRESENTATION TO THE ELECTORATE BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION AT A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION TO BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NOVEMBER 2008 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING THE BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THE CHIEF PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RENUMBER AND RELETTER ARTICLES AND SECTIONS IN ORDER TO CONFORM THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.