

**TOWN OF CUTLER BAY
2018 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
SUBMITTED BY TERRY C LONG**

DATE: January 23, 2018

TO: Charter Review Commission Members, Mitch Bierman, Ralph Casals

FROM: Terry C Long

RE: PROPOSED CHARTER REVISIONS

REVIEW 2012 Amendments that were not adopted for current relevancy.

Page 12, Section 2.3, E) Term Limits

Delete the following text as it no longer applies:

~~Notwithstanding the above, the seat 1 council member, the seat 3 council member and the mayor elected in the 2005 election may serve for a maximum of eight (8) years and eight (8) months (until the 2014 election), the seat 2 council member and the vice-mayor elected in the 2005 election may service for a maximum of six (6) years and eight (8) months (until the 2012 election).~~

Page 12, Section 2.3, E) Term Limits, 3)

Delete the following as the term they were serving in 2012, has expired by April 12, 2016 at the latest.:

~~Except for those members holding office as of April 12, 2012,~~

Updated 3) is below:

3)-Any member who resigns from office prior to the completion of his or her term of office shall be deemed to have served all four years of the term, for the purposes of applying these term limits.

Page 15, Section 2.6 Compensation

Suggest increasing compensation of Mayor, Council Members and Vice-Mayor.

Suggest \$20K for Mayor and \$10K for Vice-Mayor and Council Members.

Background: Palmetto Bay compensates the Mayor at \$24K and the Council Members and Vice-Mayor at \$12K. Cutler Bay tried to raise compensation previously and it did not pass when voted upon in an election. I am suggesting a more conservative increase, in the hopes that the voters will view it more favorably. These figures have not changed since 2005.

Page 19, Section 4.1 (A) Council Meeting Procedure

Current version

(A) Meetings. The Council shall hold at least 11 regular meetings

Revision – the Council did not meet in July or December in 2017

(A) Meetings. The Council shall hold at least 10 regular meetings in each calendar year.

Section 4.11 Borrowing

Question: Should there be something in the charter regarding the need to float bonds at the Taxpayer's expense ?

(B) Iii The incurrence of debt above the limits stated above will require a bond, the amount of which must be approved by Council and the registered voters of the Town in a general election.

5.2 (C) (3) Petitions

Looks like there is **an unintentional blank line** before "h/she believes them to be the genuine..."

Section 8.5

Needs revision, not applicable. Timeframes specified have passed.

Section 9.5

Add Address of Police Station within Cutler Bay Town Hall

Section 9.6 Continuing Obligations as to County Bonds

Bring amounts up to date for 2018.

Section 9.10 Community Redevelopment

Is this redevelopment, still active, completed and is it reflected in Town Boundary maps ?

APPENDIX A

Is the legal description of the Town of Cutler Bay still accurate ? Have we modified our Boundaries in any way since April 2012 ?