

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Stonecrest Charter Commission

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STONECREST CHARTER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: In-Person @ City Hall (3120 Stonecrest Blvd Stonecrest)
(meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the Stonecrest YouTube page)

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tem George Turner

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm

II. ROLL CALL: Mayor Pro Tem George Turner

All members with the exception of Aundre Stanton and representatives from the Senate and House of Representatives were present.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Overall limit in public comments is 20 minutes. Limited to 2 minutes per speaker. Speaker can only speak once in public comments. Public comments are restricted to topics regarding the Stonecrest Charter Commission.

V. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Introduction and profile of members

Introduction by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner stating that each Council member as well as the Mayor is responsible for appointing one member to this committee and that has been done. In addition, one member from both the Senate and House of Representatives will be appointed to represent the City of Stonecrest. A member of the city's legal counsel is an ex-officio member.

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Each member gave an introduction.

2. 1st review of bylaws

The city's charter calls for a review every five years. There was an explanation stating the original charter was adopted in 2017 and came into existence by SB 208. There were some items council felt needed to be changed and after going to the General Assembly, SB 21 was created in 2021. There are currently three versions of the charter, with the original charter (SB 208), SB 21 which was created in 2021 and the third version, the amended charter, which was created by legal, including both the original and modifications made in 2021.

The role of the Charter Commission is to review the city's charter, suggest process improvements, and recommend any changes to the charter to the General Assembly. It was noted that in-person meetings are required. Commission members were asked to determine if they would prefer a series of short meetings or a retreat to discuss details of the charter.

3. Assignments of SB 208 & SB 21

Charter Commission members are asked to review all versions of the charter, as it is important to be familiar with the history of each one. This will be helpful in creating a work plan. Members can also review previous meetings under SB 208 from 2017 and April of 2021.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

As approved on the 19th day of November, 2024.

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Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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