**Wakulla County Charter Review Commission Public Hearing**

**AGENDA
Thursday, June 12, 2014
6:00P.M.**

**Item #1: Charter Review Commission Presentation – Overview of the Commission and Proposed Amendments/Revisions**

**Item #2: Citizens To Be Heard:**

*(Citizens will be provided 3 minutes to speak at the beginning or end of the Meeting to address any new amendment proposals which are not included in the proposals below. The Charter Review Commission will not be providing comments during this time. Citizens who would like to speak will need to fill out a speaker’s card and turn in prior to the beginning of discussion).*

**Item #3: Proposed Amendments/Revisions**

*(Citizens will be allowed 3 minutes to speak on each Proposed Amendment. The Charter Review Commission will not be providing comments during this time. Citizens who would like to speak will need to fill out a speaker’s card for each item and turn in prior to the beginning of discussion on that particular item).*

1. All locally elected offices shall be nonpartisan. Elections which have more than 2 candidates will take place in the Primary with the individual obtaining 50% plus 1 votes being declared the winner. Should no candidates receive 50% plus 1, the top 2 candidates shall go to the General Election for final decision. Should only 2 candidates qualify for an office, these candidates will have their election held during the General Election.
2. There shall be five single member districts for County Commissioners.
3. Mandatory residency requirement –At qualifying, a candidate must provide a declaration/oath stating the candidate has resided in the District they are seeking election in for a minimum of the previous 6 months. The candidate must also provide 3 out of the following 4 other categories providing proof of residency: (1) vehicle registration; (2) voter registration card; (3) Florida Driver’s License and/or Florida Identification Card; (4) a notarized statement of residency from home-owner, or homestead exemption card, or leasing/renting statement.
4. Add a new subsection regarding “Special Elections/Referendums” that reads all referendums shall take place at a general election.
5. Add language that reads 60% of the electors’ votes shall be required to pass charter amendments and ordinances initiated by Petition.
6. All locally elected officers shall be subject to recall as prescribed in Florida Law.
7. Each County Commissioner shall appoint 3 citizens to serve on the Charter Review Commission (totaling 15 members); 12 members shall make a quorum and at a minimum 2/3 of the 12 members are required to vote affirmatively in proposing new Charter amendments, revisions, or a repeal of the Charter; and the CRC shall be appointed no more than 8 years apart.
8. The BOCC shall provide CRC a list of no less than 3 attorneys before the 1st CRC meeting to allow CRC to rank and provide recommendation to the BOCC for approval of the attorney assigned to the CRC.
9. The BOCC shall adopt, and adhere to, a debt policy that regulates the acceptance, issuance, and management of debt. The BOCC shall also adhere to the fund balance policy.

**Item #4: Citizens To Be Heard:**

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**Adjourn**