

**CARSON CITY CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY  
NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE  
CARSON CITY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**Day:** Wednesday  
**Date:** April 23, 2014  
**Time:** Beginning at 3:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Community Center, Sierra Room  
851 East William Street  
Carson City, Nevada

## **Agenda**

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

**3. Public Comments and Discussion:**

The public is invited at this time to comment on and discuss any item not on the agenda that is relevant to, or within the authority of, the Carson City Charter Review Committee. In order for members of the public to participate in the Committee's consideration of an agenda item, the Committee strongly encourages members of the public to comment on an agenda item during the item itself. No action may be taken on a matter raised under public comment unless the item has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken.

**4. For Possible Action: Approval of Minutes - February 5, 2014**

**5. For Possible Action: Adoption of the Agenda**

**6. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding a change to the City Charter that allows School Board Trustees to be elected in the same manner as the proposed elections of Board of Supervisors. (Submitted online by Maurice White)**

Summary: The change would allow for Trustees to be voted on by district in any primary and at large in the general elections. In view of the success this idea has had for Supervisors it is time to give the same consideration the Trustee elections.

**7. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Board of Supervisors an amendment to the Charter regarding changing the election of Supervisors from At Large to being elected by voters within the ward that they are to represent; the Mayor would continue to be elected At Large. (Submitted online by John Vettel)**

Summary: Mr. Vettel is proposing that candidates for Supervisor be elected entirely from their residing ward in both the primary and general elections. His proposal does not propose to amend the current

practice of electing the Mayor at-large in both the primary and general elections. The Nevada Legislature passed a bill amending the charters of Carson City and several other Nevada cities in both 2011 and 2013 requiring that these local government supervisors or city council members be elected ward-only in both primary and general elections. Governor Sandoval vetoed each of these measures. Carson City, by action of the Board of Supervisors, has chosen to place a modified version of this proposal before the city's voters in November 2014. This ballot question will ask if the voters approve of ward-only voting for supervisor candidates in the primary election, with an at-large election of city-wide voters for the top two candidates in the general election.

8. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding the chairperson or their Charter Review Committee (CRC) member appointee will attend the legislature, when a Charter change is made to represent the entire committee, and answer any or all legislative requests about Charter Review Committee agenda items. *(Submitted by Member Donna Depauw)*

Member Depauw's Summary: At this time there's no requirement for a CRC member to be at the legislature to answer for the public they represent, this would require a representative to be there. This item was also suggested by Assemblyman Daly when he attended our CRC meeting in February.

9. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding all the Charter Review Committee (CRC) members will receive from Carson City Executive Office advance notice when CRC agenda items are to be presented or discussed at the Board of Supervisors meetings, during unscheduled and scheduled CRC meeting dates. *(Submitted by Member Donna Depauw)*

Member Depauw's Summary: Due to the fact that the CRC only meets every two years but have items / recommendations of CRC discussed at later dates by the Board of Supervisors (BOS), the members should be notified of items for discussion so they may provide input, attend BOS meeting or hear the agenda item to be discussed by the BOS.

10. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding all Charter changes before recommended by staff to the Board of Supervisors for Charter changes and before going forward for approval by the Nevada Legislature will be reviewed in advance by the Charter Review Committee for their recommendation. *(Submitted by Member Donna Depauw)*

Member Depauw's Summary: In the past items have been presented to the Board of Supervisors, without proper procedure of Charter Review Committee to review for recommendation. This would allow the process of a special meeting to take place and Charter Review Committee to make appropriate recommendations to Board of Supervisors for approval to forward to the legislature whether in session at time or not.

11. For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to cancel the May 7, 2014 Charter Review Committee meeting.

Staff Summary: All of the Civil Division attorneys are scheduled to attend the Annual 3-day Civil Government Attorney's CLE Conference. The next scheduled meeting would be May 20, 2014.

12. **Public Comment** - The public is invited at this time to comment on any matter that is not specifically included on the agenda as an action item. No action may be taken today on a matter raised under this item of the agenda, but may be placed on a future agenda.

**13. For Possible Action: To Adjourn**

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Date: April 17, 2014

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Carson City Charter Review Committee**  
**Wednesday, February 5, 2014 ● 3:00 PM**  
**Community Center Sierra Room, 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada**

**Board Members:**

<b>Chair – Rob Joiner</b>	<b>Vice Chair – Bruce Robertson</b>
<b>Member – Donna DePauw</b>	<b>Member – Christine Fregulia</b>
<b>Member – Michael Matuska</b>	<b>Member – Larry Messina</b>
<b>Member – Keith Shaffer</b>	

**Staff:**

Marena Works, Interim City Manager  
Randall Munn, Chief Deputy District Attorney  
Tamar Warren/Deputy Clerk & Recording Secretary

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER (3:02:09)**
- 2. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (3:02:15)** – The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. A quorum was present.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Rob Joiner	Present	
Bruce Robertson	Present	
Donna DePauw	Present	
Christine Fregulia	Present	
Michael Matuska	Present	Via Telephone, 3:06 p.m.
Larry Messina	Present	
Keith Shaffer	Present	

(3:02:45) – At the request of Chairperson Joiner, Committee members introduced themselves and the official who appointed them, and to disclose whether they had served on this Committee before:

Chairperson Joiner – by Nevada State Senator Ben Kieckhefer – returning member  
Vice Chairperson Robertson – by Carson City Mayor Bob Crowell – returning member  
Member DePauw – by Nevada Assemblyman Pete Livermore – returning member  
Member Fregulia – by Carson City Supervisor Karen Abowd – returning member  
Member Matuska – by Carson City Supervisor Brad Bonkowski – first appointment  
Member Messina – by Carson City Supervisor John McKenna – returning member  
Member Shaffer – by Carson City Supervisor Jim Shirk – first appointment

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (3:04:10)** – None.

4. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** (3:04:30) – There were no modifications to the agenda.

5. **DISCUSSION REGARDING BACKGROUND OF COMMUNITIES CREATED BY CHARTER IN NEVADA, RECENT LEGISLATION, INCLUDING AB312 (NEVADA LEGISLATURE, 2013), AND OTHER LEGISLATIVE ISSUES.** (3:04:35) – Chairperson Joiner reviewed the background information he had included in agenda materials and are incorporated into the record.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(3:10:40) – State Assemblyman Skip Daly, District 31, introduced himself and gave background on charter legislation and his term on the Sparks Charter Committee.

(3:24:02) – Member Messina inquired and was informed that the legislature was able to change a city’s charter; however, it would be unlikely.

(3:25:07) – Assemblyman Daly clarified for Member Shaffer that unlike Carson City, the Sparks Charter Committee did not seek City Council approval for charter changes. Mr. Munn advised that the joint meeting agenda, with the Carson City Board of Supervisors, would have to be “constructed carefully” to allow instructing individuals to seek additional information if needed after the meeting.

(3:32:08) – Member DePauw noted that Assemblyman Pete Livermore could not be present today, and she thanked Assemblyman Daly for his help during the legislative session.

(3:35:26) – Member Shaffer inquired about legislation that could affect charters, even if not directly related to this Committee and Assemblyman Daly noted that it was possible; however, specific city charter changes would not be applied to other cities.

(3:49:40) – Chairperson Joiner read an excerpt from the City’s Policies and Procedures manual regarding lobbying, and explained that being on this Committee did not exclude members from their constitutional right of free speech as long as they were acting “in a private capacity”.

6. **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW. SUMMARY: BRIEF DISCUSSION ON HOW MEETINGS MUST BE CONDUCTED TO COMPLY WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW.** (3:42:24) – Mr. Munn delivered a PowerPoint presentation, incorporated into the record, on the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

(4:03:53) – Chairperson Joiner inquired about ex parte communication and Mr. Munn advised that this Committee’s role was not a “trier of fact”; therefore, it would not be an issue.

(4:05:28) – Member Matuska requested clarification on “non-decision making workshops”, and was informed that workshops and special meetings would be subject to the Open Meeting Law and should be noticed.

There were no public comments.

(4:10:01) Chairperson Joiner encouraged feedback and amendment recommendations from the public to the City’s charter. Mr. Munn noted that the recently-updated charter by the legislature was available on the legislative website, under the law library sub section. [[www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us)]

**7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON THE PROCESS AND TIMELINE FOR THE 2014 CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SET TENTATIVE MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.**

(4:11:58) – Chairperson Joiner recommended several dates for the upcoming Committee meetings, noting that they were based on room availability and the public’s desire to hold several evening meetings. Discussion ensued regarding the availability of the members and proposed meeting dates.

Member DePauw suggested soliciting public input by asking people.

There were no public comments.

(4:25:59) – **MOTION: I move to set tentative dates and times for future meetings of the Charter Review Committee as discussed and as follows: Wednesday, April 23, 2014, 3-5 p.m.; Wednesday May 7, 2014, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday May 20, 2014, 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, June 3, 2014, 3-5 p.m.; and Monday June 23, 2014, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (7-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Shaffer
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Messina
<b>AYES:</b>	Joiner, Robertson, DePauw, Fregulia, Matuska, Messina, Shaffer
<b>NAYES:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS:</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT** (4:26:35) – There were no public comments.

**9. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: TO ADJOURN** (4:26:27) – **Member Messina moved to adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

The Minutes of the February 5, 2014 Carson City Charter Review Committee meeting are so approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2014.

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ROB JOINER, Chair

**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

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**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**From:** Rob Joiner, Chairman

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding a change to the City Charter that allows School Board Trustees to be elected in the same manner as the proposed elections of Board of Supervisors. *(Submitted online by Maurice White)*

**Summary:** The change would allow for Trustees to be voted on by district in any primary and at large in the general elections. In view of the success this idea has had for Supervisors it is time to give the same consideration the Trustee elections.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)

Formal Action/Motion

Other (Specify)

**Supporting Materials:** Online submission form and NRS 386.



**Reviewed By:**  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

Date: 4/16/2014

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

1) \_\_\_\_\_

Aye/Nay

2) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Vote Recorded By)

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#### **Name:**

**T** : Maurice White

#### **E-mail:**

**T** : fishingrampa@gmail.com

#### **Suggestion:**

**T** : Rob, Please consider a change to the City Charter that allows School Board Trustees to be elected in the same manner as the proposed elections of Board of Supervisors. The change would allow for Trustees to be voted on by district in any primary and at large in the general elections. In view of the success this idea has had for Supervisors it is time to give the same consideration the Trustee elections. Thank you for your time regarding this matter. Maurice White 775-297-6484 fishingrampa@gmail.com



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## SCHOOL DISTRICTS

### **NRS 386.010 Creation; power to sue.**

1. County school districts, the boundaries of which are conterminous with the boundaries of the counties of the State, are hereby created. The Carson City School District shall be considered as a county school district.

2. Each county school district created by this chapter is hereby declared to be a political subdivision of the State of Nevada whose purpose is to administer the state system of public education.

3. Each school district shall have the power to sue and may be sued.

[47:32:1956]—(NRS A 1967, 37; 1969, 336; 1971, 517)

**NRS 386.030 Name.** Every county school district shall be designated by the name and style of "..... School District" (using the name of the county or city the boundaries of which are conterminous with the boundaries of the county school district).

[49:32:1956]—(NRS A 1969, 336; 1971, 517)

## BOARDS OF TRUSTEES

### **NRS 386.110 Body corporate; name.**

1. The trustees of a school district shall constitute a board, which is hereby created a body corporate.

2. The board of trustees of a county school district shall be designated by the name and style of "The Board of Trustees of the ..... School District" (using the name of the county or city the boundaries of which are conterminous with the boundaries of the county school district).

[57:32:1956]—(NRS A 1969, 336; 1971, 518)

### **NRS 386.120 County school district: Number of trustees.**

1. The board of trustees of a county school district consists of five or seven members as follows:

(a) If 1,000 or more pupils were enrolled during the school year next preceding any general election, the board of trustees consists of seven members. Except in school districts in which more than 25,000 pupils are enrolled, the members of the board must be elected at large until such time as an alternate manner of election is adopted pursuant to NRS 386.200 or NRS 386.205, 386.215 and 386.225.

(b) If fewer than 1,000 pupils were enrolled during the school year next preceding any general election, the board of trustees consists of five members. The members of the board must be elected as provided in NRS 386.160 until such time as an alternate manner of election is adopted pursuant to NRS 386.200 or NRS 386.205, 386.215 and 386.225.

(c) If 1,000 or more, but fewer than 1,500 pupils were enrolled during the school year next preceding any general election, the board of trustees consists of seven members unless the board, on or before December 1 in any year before a general election will be held, adopts a resolution specifying that the board will consist of five members. If the board consists of seven members, the election of members is governed by paragraph (a). If the board consists of five members, the election of members is governed by paragraph (b).

2. Before the adoption of a resolution pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1, the board of trustees shall post conspicuously, in three different places in the school district, a notice containing in full the text of the resolution with the date upon which the board of trustees of the school district is to meet to act upon the resolution. Posting of the notice must be made not less than 10 days before the date fixed in the resolution for action thereon.

~~3. If a board of trustees adopts a resolution pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1, it must transmit a copy of the resolution to the Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before December 15 of the year before the general election will be held.~~

~~[58:32:1956]—(NRS A 1971, 1534; 1979, 1574; 1981, 723; 1987, 181; 1995, 4)~~

**NRS 386.150 Superintendent of Public Instruction to file certificates with county clerks.**

1. On or before June 1 in any year in which a general election is held, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall file with each clerk of a county whose boundaries are conterminous with a county school district a certificate stating the total number of pupils enrolled during that school year in the county school district.

2. On or before January 1 in any year in which a general election is held, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall file with each clerk of a county whose boundaries are conterminous with a county school district a certificate stating the number and offices of trustees of the county school district to be filled at the next general election.

[61:32:1956]—(NRS A 1971, 518; 1993, 2207)

**NRS 386.160 Election of trustees in county school district whose enrollment of pupils is less than 1,000; terms.**

1. At the general election in 1980 and every 4 years thereafter, in a county school district where fewer than 1,000 pupils were enrolled during the preceding school year, three trustees shall be elected at large within the district, as follows:

(a) One person who resides at the county seat; but if less than 40 percent of the residents of the county reside at the county seat then such person need not reside at the county seat.

(b) One person who resides in the county but not at the county seat.

(c) One person who resides in the county but not at the county seat; but if 80 percent or more of the residents of the county reside at the county seat then a person who resides at the county seat may be elected to the office.

2. At the general election in 1982 and every 4 years thereafter, in a county school district where fewer than 1,000 pupils were enrolled during the preceding school year, two trustees shall be elected at large within the district, as follows:

(a) One person who resides at the county seat; but if less than 20 percent of the residents of the county reside at the county seat then such person need not reside at the county seat.

(b) One person who resides in the county but who resides neither at the county seat nor in any incorporated city within the county.

3. The term of each person elected to the office of school trustee is 4 years.

[62:32:1956]—(NRS A 1979, 1574)

**NRS 386.165 Election of trustees in county school district whose enrollment of pupils is over 25,000; terms.**

1. In each county school district in which more than 75,000 pupils are enrolled, the board of trustees shall establish seven election districts for school trustees. The districts must be:

(a) As nearly equal in population as practicable; and

(b) Composed of contiguous territory.

2. In each county school district in which more than 25,000 pupils but not more than 75,000 pupils are enrolled, the board of trustees shall establish seven election districts for school trustees, as follows:

(a) Five districts which are as nearly equal in population as practicable, each of which includes approximately one-fifth of the population of the county; and

(b) Two districts which are as nearly equal in population as practicable, each of which includes approximately one-half of the population of the county.

→ The districts must be composed of contiguous territory.

3. Each trustee of a school district to which this section applies must reside in the election district which the trustee represents and be elected by the voters of that election district.

4. In each school district in which more than 25,000 pupils are enrolled, the term of a school trustee is 4 years. Three trustees must be elected at the general election of 1982 and four trustees must be elected at the general election of 1984.

(Added to NRS by 1981, 722)

**NRS 386.180 Election of trustees in county school district other than Clark or Washoe whose enrollment of pupils drops below 1,000 or in which resolution is adopted pursuant to NRS 386.120.**

1. If the certificate of the Superintendent of Public Instruction filed with the county clerk states that the pupil enrollment during the preceding school year in a county school district other than Clark or Washoe was less than 1,000, or was 1,000 or more but less than 1,500 in a district in which the board of trustees has adopted a resolution in accordance with NRS 386.120 specifying that the board will consist of five members, and the board of trustees of the district is composed of seven members elected at large based upon a previous pupil enrollment of 1,000 or more, then two of the offices of trustee may not be filled at the next succeeding general election.

2. Thereafter, while continued pupil enrollment in the county school district is less than 1,000, or is 1,000 or more but less than 1,500 in a district in which the board of trustees has adopted a resolution in accordance with NRS 386.120 specifying that the board will consist of five members, the offices of school trustees must be filled as provided by law for school districts having pupil enrollments of less than 1,000.

[64:32:1956]—(NRS A 1971, 1536; 1979, 1576; 1995, 4)

**NRS 386.190 Election of two additional trustees in county school district whose enrollment of pupils increases to 1,000 or more after general election; exception.**

1. If the certificate of the Superintendent of Public Instruction filed with the county clerk states that the pupil enrollment during the preceding school year in a county school district was 1,000 or more, and the board of trustees of the district is composed of five members elected as provided in NRS 386.160, then at the next succeeding general election one additional trustee who resides at the county seat must be elected for a term of 4 years, and one additional trustee who resides in the county but not at the county seat must be elected for a term of 2 years.

2. Thereafter, while continued pupil enrollment in the county school district is 1,000 or more, the offices of school trustees must be filled as provided by law for school districts having pupil enrollments of that size.

3. The provisions of subsections 1 and 2 do not apply in a school district in which the pupil enrollment during the preceding school year was 1,000 or more but less than 1,500, and in which the board of trustees of the school district has adopted a resolution specifying that the board will consist of five members.

[65:32:1956]—(NRS A 1973, 27; 1979, 1576; 1995, 5)

**NRS 386.200 Alternate manner of creating areas for election of trustees within county school district whose enrollment of pupils is 25,000 or less: Procedure; election of trustees; terms; change of boundaries of areas.**

1. In addition to the manner of election provided in NRS 386.205, 386.215 and 386.225, the trustees of a county school district may be elected from school trustee election areas in the alternate manner provided in this section.

2. Within 30 days before May 1 of any year in which a general election is to be held in the State, 10 percent or more of the registered voters of a county school district in which 25,000 or fewer pupils are

enrolled may file a written petition with the board of county commissioners of the county praying for the creation of school trustee election areas within the county school district in the manner provided in this section. The petition must specify with particularity the school trustee election areas proposed to be created, the number of trustees to be elected from each area, and the manner of their nomination and election. The number of school trustee election areas proposed must not exceed the number of trustees authorized by law for the particular county school district. The description of the proposed school trustee election areas need not be given by metes and bounds or by legal subdivisions, but must be sufficient to enable a person to ascertain what territory is proposed to be included within a particular school trustee election area. The signatures to the petition need not all be appended to one paper, but each signer must add to his or her name his or her place of residence, giving the street and number whenever practicable. One of the signers of each paper shall swear or affirm, before a person competent to administer oaths, that each signature to the paper appended is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

3. Immediately after the receipt of the petition, the board of county commissioners shall fix a date for a public hearing to be held during the month of May, and shall give notice thereof by publication at least once in a newspaper published in the county, or if no such newspaper is published therein then in a newspaper published in the State of Nevada and having a general circulation in the county. The costs of publication of the notice is a proper charge against the county school district fund.

4. If, as a result of the public hearing, the board of county commissioners finds that the creation of school trustee election areas within the county school district is desirable, the board of county commissioners shall, by resolution regularly adopted before June 1, divide the county school district into the number of school trustee election areas specified in the petition, designate them by number and define their boundaries. The territory comprising each school trustee election area must be contiguous. The resolution must further set forth the number of trustees to be elected from each school trustee election area and the manner of their nomination and election.

5. Before June 1 and immediately following the adoption of the resolution creating school trustee election areas within a county school district, the clerk of the board of county commissioners shall transmit a certified copy of the resolution to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

6. Upon the creation of school trustee election areas within a county school district the terms of office of all trustees then in office expire on the 1st Monday of January thereafter next following a general election. At the general election held following the creation of school trustee election areas within a county school district, school trustees to represent the odd-numbered school trustee election areas must be elected for terms of 4 years and school trustees to represent the even-numbered school trustee election areas must be elected for terms of 2 years. Thereafter, at each general election, the offices of school trustees must be filled for terms of 4 years in the order in which the terms of office expire.

7. A candidate for the office of trustee of a county school district in which school trustee election areas have been created must be a qualified elector and a resident of the school trustee election area which he or she seeks to represent.

8. The board of county commissioners may by resolution change the boundaries of school trustee election areas or the manner of nomination or election of school trustees after:

(a) Holding a public hearing of which notice must be given as provided in subsection 3; and

(b) Receiving, at the hearing or by resolution, the consent of the board of trustees of the school district.

9. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction certifies to the county clerk that the enrollment of pupils during the preceding school year in a county school district was less than 1,000, or was 1,000 or more but less than 1,500 in a district in which the board of trustees has adopted a resolution in accordance with NRS 386.120 specifying that the board will consist of five members, and the board of

trustees of the county school district is composed of seven elected members based upon a previous enrollment of 1,000 or more, the board of county commissioners shall alter the school trustee election areas or change the number of trustees to be elected from the areas, or the manner of their nomination and election, as may be necessary to provide for reduction of the membership of the board of trustees of the county school board from seven to five members, and only five school trustees may thereafter be nominated and elected at the forthcoming elections.

10. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction certifies to the county clerk that the enrollment of pupils during the preceding school year in a county school district was 1,000 or more, and the board of trustees of the county school district is composed of five elected members, the board of county commissioners shall alter the school trustee election areas or change the number of trustees to be elected from the areas, or the manner of their nomination and election, as may be necessary to provide for increasing the membership of the board of trustees of the county school district from five to seven members, and two additional school trustees must thereafter be nominated and elected at the forthcoming elections.

11. The provisions of subsection 10 do not apply in a school district in which the pupil enrollment during the preceding school year was 1,000 or more but less than 1,500, and in which the board of trustees of the school district has adopted a resolution specifying that the board will consist of five members.

[65.1:32:1956]—(NRS A 1967, 933; 1979, 1577; 1981, 723; 1987, 181; 1995, 5)

**NRS 386.205 Optional districts for election of trustees within county school district whose enrollment of pupils is not more than 25,000: Creation; continuity in number and terms of members of board of trustees.**

1. In any county school district in which not more than 25,000 pupils are enrolled, the board of trustees may adopt a resolution dividing the geographical area of the school district into a number of election districts identical to the number of trustees.

2. The election districts must:

(a) Be single-member districts.

(b) Be formed with reference to assembly districts as far as is practicable.

(c) Have nearly equal populations as far as is practicable.

3. This section does not authorize any change in the number of members of the board of trustees.

4. If a board of trustees adopts a resolution pursuant to this section, the members of the board continue to hold office until the next following general election.

5. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "assembly district" means any district created pursuant to the provisions of chapter 218B of NRS for the election of members of the Assembly.

(Added to NRS by 1987, 180)

**NRS 386.215 Optional districts for election of trustees within county school district whose enrollment of pupils is not more than 25,000: Documents to be filed with county clerk.** Copies of maps or other documents evidencing the division of the county school district into election districts pursuant to NRS 386.205 must be filed with the appropriate county clerk.

(Added to NRS by 1987, 180)

**NRS 386.225 Optional districts for election of trustees within county school district whose enrollment of pupils is not more than 25,000: Manner of election.**

1. Election districts created pursuant to NRS 386.205 may be constructed so that the:

(a) Voters in each election district elect a trustee to represent them; or

(b) Trustees are elected by all of the voters in the county school district.

↳ In either case, each trustee must be a resident of the election district which he or she represents throughout his or her term of office.

2. The board of trustees shall adopt a resolution, after a public hearing on the matter, determining whether each trustee will be elected solely by the voters in the election district of the trustee or all of the voters in the county school district.

(Added to NRS by 1987, 180)

**NRS 386.240 Qualifications of trustees.** A candidate for the office of trustee of a school district shall:

1. Be a qualified elector.

2. Have the qualifications of residence within the county school district required for the office for which he or she seeks election.

[69:32:1956]—(NRS A 1971, 518)

**NRS 386.250 Nomination of trustee; filing of declaration of candidacy and acceptance of candidacy.**

1. Candidates for the office of trustee shall be nominated in the manner provided by the primary election laws of this state.

2. The declaration of candidacy and the acceptance of a candidacy by candidates for the office of trustee of county school districts shall be filed with the county clerk of the county whose boundaries are conterminous with the county school district boundaries.

[70:32:1956]—(NRS A 1960, 284; 1963, 1378; 1971, 518)

**NRS 386.260 Election of trustees; certificate of election.**

1. Trustees shall be elected as provided in the election laws of this state.

2. After the close of any election, and in accordance with law, the board of county commissioners shall make abstracts of the votes cast for trustees and shall order the county clerk to issue election certificates to the candidates elected.

3. Immediately, the county clerk shall transmit a copy of each election certificate to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

[71:32:1956]—(NRS A 1959, 810; 1960, 285; 1971, 518; 1973, 88)

**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

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**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**From:** Rob Joiner, Chairman

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to recommend to the Board of Supervisors an amendment to the Charter regarding changing the election of Supervisors from At Large to being elected by voters within the ward that they are to represent; the Mayor would continue to be elected At Large. *(Submitted online by John Vettel)*

**Summary:** Mr. Vettel is proposing that candidates for Supervisor be elected entirely from their residing ward in both the primary and general elections. His proposal does not propose to amend the current practice of electing the Mayor at-large in both the primary and general elections. The Nevada Legislature passed a bill amending the charters of Carson City and several other Nevada cities in both 2011 and 2013 requiring that these local government supervisors or city council members be elected ward-only in both primary and general elections. Governor Sandoval vetoed each of these measures. Carson City, by action of the Board of Supervisors, has chosen to place a modified version of this proposal before the city's voters in November 2014. This ballot question will ask if the voters approve of ward-only voting for supervisor candidates in the primary election, with an at-large election of city-wide voters for the top two candidates in the general election.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)

Formal Action/Motion

Other (Specify)

**Supporting Materials:** Online submission form and agenda report and backup materials from the February 6, 2014 Board of Supervisor meeting.

**Reviewed By:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Rob Joiner*  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

Date: April 16, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aye/Nay

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# Carson City

VISION INTERNET CONTENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



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## Advanced Components: Forms: Reporting: Voter Details

User: Janet Busse [Reset Password]

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### Submission information

**Submitter DB ID :** 284  
**ASP.net's user name :** Disabled  
**Submitter's Email :** Anonymous  
**Submitter's language :** Default language  
**IP address :** 71.83.102.118  
**Submission recorded on :** 3/12/2014 12:12:00 PM  
**Time to take the survey :** 1 minutes, 19 secs.

### Survey answers

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**Name:**  
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 John Vettel

**E-mail:**  
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 John@RyansDad.com

**Suggestion:**  
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 Dear Charter Review Committee: I request formal consideration of the following proposal, which would change the election of Supervisors from "At Large" to being elected by voters within the ward that they are to represent. The Mayor would continue to be elected "At Large." The suggested motion would be: "I move to change Sec 1.010., 4. which currently reads, 'All Supervisors, including the Mayor, must be voted upon by the registered voters of Carson City at large and shall serve for terms of 4 years.' to read, 'Supervisors must be voted upon by the registered voters of Carson City who reside within the ward to be represented. The Mayor must be voted upon by the registered voters of Carson City at large. The Mayor and Supervisors shall serve for terms of 4 years.' " This is a logical change because: 1. While ALL members of the board serve Carson City, the Mayor is the only member both serves and represents the entire city. Other than residing in Carson City, there is no other residential requirement for the Mayor. 2. ALL Carson City residents will benefit from encouraging as many candidates for these offices as possible. 3. More residents will be encouraged to run under this change because the cost to be a candidate will be reduced by approximately seventy-five percent. 4. Candidates will be encouraged and more able to visit directly with their constituents because the geographical area to be covered will be reduced by approximately seventy-five percent. 5. While the difference in views on general items among different geographical areas (wards) is minimal, it is very possible that certain wards may have issues of import to them that are not shared by other wards - but are deserving of attention. They should be able to select a candidate based upon that candidates responsiveness to ward concerns. 6. The present system is unnecessarily expensive, and provides opportunity for monied interests to exert excessive control over Carson City policies. I will appreciate your consideration of this proposal. Thank You, John W. Vettel Jr., LtCol, USAF(Ret) 678 Derby Ct. Carson City, NV 89703



City of Carson City  
Agenda Report

**Date Submitted:** January 26, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** Feb. 6, 2014  
**Time Requested:** 10 min

**To:** Mayor and Board of Supervisors

**From:** Alan Glover, Clerk-Recorder

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: to adopt a resolution to place an advisory question on the 2014 General Election ballot asking the Nevada State Legislature to amend the Carson City Charter to provide for ward only voting ward-supervisor primary elections with an at-large general election runoff between the two highest primary vote receivers in each ward.

**Staff Summary:** The Board of Supervisors is to set by resolution all City ballot questions.

**Type of Action requested:** (check one)  
 Resolution  Ordinance  
 Formal Action/Motion  Other (Specify)

**Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:**  Yes  NO

**Recommended Board Action:** I move to adopt Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_, a resolution to place an advisory question on the 2014 General Election ballot asking the Nevada Legislature to amend the Carson City Charter to provide for ward only voting in ward-supervisor primary elections with an at-large general election runoff between the two highest primary vote receivers in each ward.

**Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:** CCMC 2.010

**Fiscal Impact:** \$5000.00

**Explanation of Impact:** Staff time.

**Funding Source:** General Fund. Account 0216 Elections

**Alternatives:**

**Supporting Material:**

**Prepared By:** Alan Glover

Reviewed By: Kathleen King Date: 1.28.14

for: Alvin Groves  
(Department Head) Date: 1/28/14

: Faust S. Ilescu  
(City Manager) Date: 1/28/14

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(District Attorney) Date: 1/28/14

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(Finance Director) Date: 1/28/14

**Board Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Aye/Nay  
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**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION PLACING AN ADVISORY BALLOT QUESTION ON THE 2014 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT, THE EXPLANATION AND DIGEST OF THE QUESTION AND A FISCAL NOTE REGARDING WHETHER THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE SHOULD AMEND THE CARSON CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR WARD ONLY WARD-SUPERVISOR PRIMARY ELECTIONS WITH AN AT-LARGE RUN OFF OF EACH WARD'S TWO HIGHEST PRIMARY VOTE RECEIVERS**

*WHEREAS*, pursuant to a vote of the Carson City Board of Supervisors on Agenda Item No. 26(C) at its August 16, 2012 Joint Meeting with the Carson City Charter Review Committee concurring in the Charter Review Committee's recommended changes, among others, with respect to separate ward voting only in a primary election for a Board of Supervisor's office, the Board directed this resolution be brought for consideration and adoption; and

*WHEREAS*, NRS 293.481 and SB 325 (2013 Legislature) requires such ballot question resolution set forth the question, an explanation and digest of the question, the description of the anticipated financial effect on the City, and that in this case the arguments for and against shall be later included in the ballot question, pursuant to the Clerk-Recorder's committee process under NRS 295.121; and

*WHEREAS*, pursuant to NRS 295.121(1)(a), the Board shall, in consultation and recommendation of the Clerk-Recorder pursuant to NRS 295.121(5), appoint two committees that are exempt from the Open Meeting Law pursuant to NRS 295.121(13), who will develop, pursuant to NRS 295.121(7)-(10), the arguments for and against to be placed in the ballot question at a future date by the Clerk-Recorder.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that Carson City shall place an advisory ballot question, including the explanation and digest of the question, a description of the anticipated financial effect and the arguments for and against the question, on the November 2014 General Election Ballot whether the Nevada Legislature should amend the Carson City Charter to provide for ward only voting in ward-supervisor primary elections with an at-large general election run off of each ward's two highest primary vote receivers;

***and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED***, that the ballot question shall read as follows:

CARSON CITY ADVISORY BALLOT QUESTION NO. 1. Shall the Nevada Legislature amend the Carson City Charter to provide for ward only voting in ward-supervisor primary elections with an at-large general election run off between the two highest primary vote receivers in each ward?

*and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the explanation and digest of the ballot question to be included in the sample ballot shall be as follows:

**Explanation:**

A "YES" vote could encourage the Board of Supervisors to ask the Legislature to make a change to the Charter's primary voting process to ensure that the two candidates for a ward's supervisor office (but not for mayor) receiving in the primary the highest number of votes solely from their ward will have their names placed on the general election ballot for all city voters to decide in an at-large run off between the two finalists.

A "NO" vote could discourage the Board of Supervisors from asking the Legislature to make any Charter changes to the current voting system that requires at-large voting by all city voters in both the primary and general elections for any supervisor's office.

**District Attorney's Digest:**

Currently, under Section 2.010 of the Carson City Charter, candidates for ward supervisor run at-large in both the primary and general elections. Currently, under Section 5.010 of the Charter, if a candidate in the primary receives more than a majority of at-large votes cast in that election for the office for which he or she is a candidate, his or her name alone must be placed on the ballot for the general election. Currently, under Section 5.010 of the Charter, if in the primary election no candidate receives a majority of the at-large votes cast in that election for the office for which he or she is a candidate, the names of the two candidates receiving the highest numbers of votes must be placed on the ballot for the general election. This ballot question seeks *advisory* approval to seek legislative changes to the relevant articles and sections of the Carson City Charter to establish a ward-only primary election for a ward's Board of Supervisor office to establish two candidates of that ward from which all the voters of the City can choose from by at-large voting in a general election run off. The primary's two candidates receiving the highest number of votes solely from their ward would be placed on the general election ballot for their ward. Because the Office of Mayor represents the entire City, but is also deemed a supervisor under the Charter, an election for the Office of Mayor would *not* be subject to this ward-only primary change.

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*and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the description of the anticipated financial effect to be included in the sample ballot question shall be as follows:

**Description of Anticipated Financial Effect:**

The financial effect of this change to the primary and general election process for the office of ward supervisor will be nominal. There will need to be some program changes by the Carson City Clerk-Recorder to the creation of the ballot and the vote counting process. The estimated fiscal impact is \$5,000.

*and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that pursuant to NRS 293.481(1)(a)(3), the arguments for and against the ballot question shall be crafted and included in the ballot question pursuant to the committee process set forth in NRS 295.121.

Upon motion by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 by the following vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Robert L. Crowell, Mayor  
Carson City, Nevada

ATTEST:

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Alan Glover, Clerk - Recorder  
Carson City, Nevada

**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**Submitted by:** Donna Depauw

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding the chairperson or their Charter Review Committee (CRC) member appointee will attend the legislature, when a Charter change is made to represent the entire committee, and answer any or all legislative requests about CRC agenda items.

**Summary:** At this time there's no requirement for a CRC member to be at the legislature to answer for the public they represent, this would require a representative to be there. This item was also suggested by Assemblyman Daly when he attended our CRC meeting in February.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)

Formal Action/Motion

Other (Specify)

**Supporting Materials:** N/A

**Reviewed By:** Rob Levine  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

**Date:** 4/14/2014

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aye/Nay

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**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**Submitted by:** Donna Depauw

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding all the Charter Review Committee (CRC) members will receive from Carson City Executive Office advance notice when CRC agenda items are to be presented or discussed at the Board of Supervisors meetings, during unscheduled and scheduled CRC meeting dates.

**Summary:** Due to the fact that the CRC only meets every two years but have items / recommendations of CRC discussed at later dates by the Board of Supervisors (BOS), the members should be notified of items for discussion so they may provide input, attend BOS meeting or hear the agenda item to be discussed by the BOS.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)  
 Formal Action/Motion       Other (Specify)

**Supporting Materials:** N/A

**Reviewed By:** Rob Jeline  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

**Date:** 4/14/2014

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**Submitted by:** Donna Depauw

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action regarding all Charter changes before recommended by staff to the Board of Supervisors for Charter changes and before going forward for approval by the Nevada Legislature will be reviewed in advance by the Charter Review Committee for their recommendation.

**Summary:** In the past items have been presented to the Board of Supervisors without proper procedure of Charter Review Committee to review for recommendation. This would allow the process of a special meeting to take place and Charter Review Committee to make appropriate recommendations to Board of Supervisors for approval to forward to the legislature whether in session at time or not.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)

Formal Action/Motion

Other (Specify)

**Supporting Materials:** N/A

**Reviewed By:** Rob Genie  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

**Date:** 4/14/2014

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aye/Nay

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**Carson City  
Agenda Report**

**Date Submitted:** April 15, 2014

**Agenda Date Requested:** April 23, 2014

**To:** Charter Review Committee

**From:** Rob Joiner, Chairman

**Subject Title:** For Possible Action: Discussion and possible action to cancel the May 7, 2014 Charter Review Committee meeting.

**Staff Summary:** All of the Civil Division attorneys are scheduled to attend the Annual 3-day Civil Government Attorney's CLE Conference. The next scheduled meeting would be May 20, 2014.

**Type of Action Requested:** (check one)

Formal Action/Motion       Other (Specify)

**Recommended Committee Action:** I move to cancel the May 7, 2014 Charter Review Committee meeting.

**Supporting Materials:** N/A

**Prepared By:** Janet Busse, Office Supervisor

**Reviewed By:** Rob Joiner  
(Chairman, Charter Review Committee)

**Date:** 4/14/2014

**Committee Action Taken:**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_

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Aye/Nay

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