

Meeting Date
May 20, 2010



AGENDA	
Proposal #	54
Item No.	X. H.

**AGENDA REPORT**  
*BREVARD COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION*

**SUBJECT:** New Section 2.9.10 Citizen Process for Advising Board of Commissioners

**PETITIONER:** Carolyn J. Fausnaugh

**Requested Action:**  
Requesting Charter Review Commission consider approval of a Charter Amendment requiring the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners to develop procedures whereby resident individuals or self-organizing groups of individuals can submit formal written recommendations for change supported by research and justification to the Commissioners for consideration on an annual basis.

**Summary Explanation & Background:**  
Numerous proposals have come before the Charter Review Commission proposing various alternatives for citizen input for the continued enhancement of County Government effectiveness and efficiency. Although these earlier proposals were voted down, the fact that the issue continues to be raised suggests the perception of a need to be filled.

This proposal suggests Board of County Commissioners develop a process, thus having the capacity to revise the process as learning occurs over time.

The proposal suggests the process developed by the Board of County Commissions include the following provisions:

1. Procedures include an annual filing date.
2. Procedures include a formal process for Board review and response within 120 days of filing date.
3. Response may be any one of the following three:
  1. Vote to reject – with no requirement for rationale for denial while recognizing that the provision of a rationale would be useful.
  2. Vote to implement
  3. Vote to table with request for further clarification or additional information. Original recommender has 90 days to respond. A recommendation cannot be tabled more than three times before it must be voted for implementation or voted for rejection.

The strength of the process is the self-nomination of individuals and the ability for individuals with common concerns to self-organize to develop and recommend best solutions to Brevard County Board of County Commissioners. A second strength is that proposals be submitted in writing with justification.

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Exhibits Attached:

None

Reviewed by Administrative Secretary/Chairman Yes  No

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