

City of West Miami

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AGENDA

CHARTER REVIEW BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024
6:00 PM**

**901 SW 62 AVE, 2nd Floor
West Miami, FL 33144**

Board Members:

**Mayor Eric Diaz-Padron
Vice-Mayor Natalie Milian Orbis
Commissioner Juan M. Blanes
Commissioner Ivan Chavez, Jr.
Commissioner Luciano L. Suarez**

**Christian Chavez
Daisy Gomez
Maritza Haro Salgado
Scott Janowitz
Martin Torres**

**City Manager Edward Silva
City Attorney Jose A. Villalobos
City Clerk Annery Gonzalez**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

3. SWEARING-IN OF CHARTER REVIEW BOARD MEMBERS. (Oath administered by the City Clerk)

- Christian Chavez
- Daisy Gomez
- Maritza Haro Salgado
- Scott Janowitz
- Martin Torres

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

5. NEW BUSINESS

A) Opening remarks by the Mayor.

B) Discussion Re:

- a) Ballot Issues deadlines
- b) Schedule of Charter Review Board meetings
- c) Consideration of possible amendments to the Charter

6. GOOD OF THE ORDER

7. ADJOURNMENT

Overview of the Charter Review Board in the City of West Miami:

The City of West Miami was incorporated on April 9, 1947 and several Chapter Reviews have taken place and several amendments have been adopted by the electors of the City of West Miami throughout the years.

The City of West Miami Charter consists of 8 Articles as follows:

- 1. Article I – Creation of Powers
- 2. Article II – Corporate Limits
- 3. Article III – Legislative
- 4. Article IV – Administration
- 5. Article V – Finances and Taxation
- 6. Article VI – Qualification of Elections
- 7. Article VII – General Provision
- 8. Article VIII – Transition Schedule

Public Hearings.

Every meeting of the Charter Review Board shall be conducted under the Government in the Sunshine, meaning that each meeting shall be advertised, held in public pursuant to Section 286.011, F.S. which provides in its pertinent parts:

1. All meetings of any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution at which official acts are to be taken are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times, and no resolution, rule, or formal action shall be considered binding except as taken or made at such meeting. The board or commission must provide reasonable notice of all such meetings.

2. Since the meetings of the Charter Review Board are governed by Section 286.011, F.S., it is pertinent to emphasize that no member of the Charter Review Board shall meet amongst themselves to discuss any business of the Charter Review Board. All mandates of Section 286.011, F.S. governs every single meeting of the Charter Review Board.

All proceedings shall be memorialized electronically and become a part of the public records of the City of West Miami. Minutes of each meeting of the Charter Review Board shall be taken by the Clerk of the City, transcribed for consideration at the following Charter Review Board meeting.

The Charter Review Board shall suggest the agenda for any subsequent meetings at which time only those items in that agenda shall be discussed and approved for recommendation.

NOTE:

- * ANY PERSON, OR PERSONS, WISHING TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE CHARTER REVIEW BOARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING OR HEARING, WILL REQUIRE A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS BASED. INTERESTED PERSONS SHOULD, THEREFORE, TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE WHICH CONTAINS THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS BASED. (F.S.286.0105)
- * ANY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE CHARTER REVIEW BOARD ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA SHALL REGISTER WITH THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO THE ITEM BEING HEARD. PRIOR TO MAKING A STATEMENT, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR THE RECORD.
- * ANY PERSON REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK AT 305 266-1122, WITH REQUESTS FOR AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES AT LEAST TWO BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING.