

**City of Lafayette
City Council Meeting Minutes
Special Session
January 26, 2009
6:30 PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Chris Heisler called the meeting to order at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

- 2. ROLL CALL:** Diane Rinks, City Administrator, called the roll.
Present: Mayor Chris Heisler, Chris Pagella, Leah Harper, Dean Rhodes, Nicholas Harris, and Bob Cullen.
Absent: Michael Roberts.
City Staff Present: Diane Rinks - City Administrator.
Others: Robin Zimmerman, Angela Flood, Darrell Flood, Patricia Rhodes, and Don Leard.

- 3. REVIEW OF FACT SHEET ON PROPOSED CHARTER BALLOT MEASURE:**
As directed by the Council at the January 22, 2009 Council meeting, staff has prepared a fact sheet regarding the proposed charter ballot measure that will be presented to the voters at an election on March 10, 2009. Mayor Chris Heisler also prepared a fact sheet with information he would like to see included in the document staff has prepared. There was some discussion about which points should be included in this document.
Diane Rinks said that the City Attorney has been in contact with the Secretary of State's office, and asked them to review the fact sheet. However, they are short handed right now and may not get the review done in time for the flyer to go out in the water bill.
After some discussion, the Council agreed that the two fact sheets could be consolidated into one. They also wanted the attorney's legal opinion, which discusses the likely legal effects of the proposed charter, posted on the City's website if the Secretary of State's office says that would be appropriate. If the fact sheet review is completed in time, then it will be sent in the water bill. If not, then a separate mailing will be done.

Chris Pagella made a motion to direct staff to consolidate the two documents (fact sheet prepared by staff and Mayor Chris Heisler) into one fact sheet, and submit it to the Secretary of State's office for review. Dean Rhodes seconded the motion. Discussion- There was some discussion about whether the fact sheet should be sent to water bill customers or to registered voters. Chris Pagella asked about timing issues, if it doesn't make it in the water bill. Diane Rinks said that it will be done as soon as practically possible, because it can't be purposely timed (according to state statute). There was no more discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

- 4. ADJOURNMENT:** Bob Cullen made a motion to adjourn. Nicholas Harris seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes approved on this 12TH day of February, 2009.

APPROVED:

Mayor Chris Heisler

ATTESTED:

Diane Rinks, City Administrator