

A RESOLUTION REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 2021 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION; RECOGNIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN MEMBERS TO THAT COMMISSION; REQUIRING MEMBERS OF THAT COMMISSION TO COMPLY WITH CERTAIN FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS; REQUESTING THAT THE COMMISSION PROVIDE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS AND STAFF WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE CHARTER; APPROVING A TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 FROM THE BALANCE OF THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY (0001) TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE (020-1005) TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR EXPENDITURES RELATED TO THAT COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, St. Petersburg City Charter section 8.01 requires that a Charter Review Commission ("CRC") be established every ten years to "review, on behalf of the citizens of St. Petersburg, the operation of City government in order to recommend amendments to this Charter, if any;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that Charter provision, the CRC is being established in January 2021 and may place proposed amendments to the Charter on the ballot in conjunction with the municipal general election in November 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that Charter provision, CRC will be composed of nine members appointed by the Mayor and by each Council Member; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to recognize that the following appointments to CRC have been made as of the date of this resolution:

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| • Mayor Kriseman:                      | Peter Rudy Wallace |
| • District 1 Council Member Blackmon:  | Dr. Ed Carlson     |
| • District 2 Council Member Gabbard:   | Vicki Shuman       |
| • District 3 Council Member Montanari: | Chris Burke        |
| • District 4 Council Member Rice:      | Tami Simms         |

- District 5 Council Member Figgs-Sanders: Terri Lipsey-Scott
- District 6 Council Member Driscoll: Roxanne Fixsen
- District 7 Council Member Wheeler-Bowman: Rev. J.C. Pritchett II
- District 8 Council Member Foster: Meiko Seymour

WHEREAS, because CRC members are entrusted with making critical decisions about potential changes to fundamental matters of the City's governance, City Council has determined that it is in the public interest for CRC members to be subject to certain financial disclosure requirements as "local officers" under Florida Statutes section 112.3145; and

WHEREAS, City Council believes that City elected officials and staff can provide CRC with valuable insight into potential changes to the City Charter to improve the operation of City government and desires to have an opportunity to provide such insight; and

WHEREAS, during past iterations of the CRC process, City funds have been used for public outreach efforts, informational materials, and other CRC-related expenditures; and

WHEREAS, in December 2010, City Council established a budget of \$25,000 for the such expenditures for the 2011 CRC process and authorized a transfer of funds for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to make the same amount available for expenditures related to the 2021 CRC process and to approve a transfer in the amount of \$25,000 from the balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001) to the Mayor's Office (020-1005) for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, following this transfer, the balance in the General Fund Contingency will be \$1,801,328.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Council hereby recognizes the establishment of the 2021 CRC pursuant to Charter section 8.05 and the appointment of the CRC members identified above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as an "appointing authority" under Florida Statutes section 112.3145, City Council hereby designates each member of CRC a "local officer . . . who is required to file a statement of financial interests" pursuant to that section.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council hereby respectfully requests that CRC provide appropriate City elected officials and staff (including City Council Members and the Mayor) with an opportunity to provide information about the operation of City government and recommend potential changes to the Charter for consideration by CRC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, to provide funding for expenditures related to the 2021 CRC process, City Council hereby approves the following transfer from the previously appropriated balance of the General Fund Contingency (0001) for FY 2021:

<u>General Fund Contingency (0001)</u>	(\$25,000)
Mayor's Office (020-1005)	\$25,000

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted at a regular session of the City Council held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021.



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Ed Montanari, Chair-Councilmember  
Presiding Officer of the City Council

ATTEST:



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Chan Srinivasa, City Clerk

