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EVERETT CHARTER COMMISSION 2011 JAN -3 A 11: 51
Public Hearing, Wednesday, December 16, 2009

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Members present: Michael J. Bono, John F. Hanlon Joseph F. Hickey, Alfred J. Lattanzi,
Dorothy Martin Long, Jason Marcus, Bennie P. Schiavo, Robert Sansone, Paul Schlosberg.

Also Present: City Solicitor Colleen Mejia

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 P.M., City Council Chambers, City Hall

A copy of the public notice for the public hearing was read and entered into the minutes.

This hearing was cablecast live and was taped for future airing; a DVD copy has been filed.

Public Comment:

1. City Council Clerk of Committees John W. Burley submitted an email for testimony that includes but is not limited to the following summary: retain bicameral city council & two year term for all elected officials. He also wants the charter to define the city's annual budget process.
2. Ronald Donofrio, Chairman of Everett's Pension Board testified about pensions for elected officials; he favors a change to a unicameral city council.
3. Kay Conway wants to retain but reduce the bicameral city council; change from Mayor to a city manager.
4. Common Councilor Stephen Simonelli favors change to a unicameral city council.
5. Common Councilor Peter Napolitano favors change to an 11 member unicameral city council.
6. Evmorphia Stratis favors change to a unicameral city council.
7. Olympia Stratis favors change to a unicameral city council.
8. Margaret Cornelio wants to retain but reduce the bicameral city council
9. Maureen Nelting favors change to a unicameral city council.
10. Alderman Sal Sachetta wants to change to a unicameral city council and wants a four-year term for Mayor.

The public hearing adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Alfred J.F. Lattanzi, Charter Commission, Clerk
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