

# Sacramento Charter Review Committee

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Meeting	Day	Topics	Resources	Discussion Points/Focus
05/07/09	Thursday	<b>Committee Workplan</b> - Establish Criteria for Benchmark Cities - Establish Benchmark Cities - Discuss Potential Speakers	"Are Elected Executives Needed to Achieve Accountability to Citizens?" by James H. Savra, Ph.D., Arizona State University Public comments received	N/A
05/18/09	Monday	<b>Governance (Academicians Focus)</b>  - Council-Manager/Strong Mayor  - Delegation/Reservation of Powers - Appt./Removal of Officers/Employees - Budget Process	Panel discussion with James H. Savra, Ph.D.; Raphael Sonenshein, Ph.D.; and Robert J. Waste, Ph.D.  "The Visionary Facilitator in City Hall and the County Courthouse" by James, H. Savra, Ph.D.  "Charter Reform: How to Think about It" by John Nalbandian, Ph.D.	Benefits/limitations of unified vs. separated executive and legislative branches in local government (impact on policy development, leadership, accountability, etc.)  Why do cities convert to/from unified vs. separated governmental structures? What have been their/others' impressions after the change? Examples?  What are the typical appointment powers of Mayor vs. City Manager? Why?  Pros/cons of Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget?
06/04/09	Thursday	<b>Governance (Practitioner Focus)</b>  - Council-Manager/Strong Mayor  - Delegation/Reservation of Powers - Appt./Removal of Officers/Employees - Budget Process	Panel discussion with Gerald Newfarmer, Daniel Whitehurst and Henry Gardner  A Call For Policy Based Budgeting in an Era of Diminishing Resources & Expanding Needs: A Review of the City & County of San Francisco's Development & Financial Planning Process - Management Partners, Inc. - Dec. 2008	Benefits/limitations of unified vs. separated executive and legislative branches in local government (impact on policy development, leadership, accountability, etc.)  Why do cities convert to/from unified vs. separated governmental structures? What have been their/others' impressions after the change? Examples?  What effect does the governmental structure have, if any, on civil service recruitment and administration of the City? Why?  Pros/cons of Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget from a practitioner's point of view?
06/15/09	Monday	<b>Governance (Budget Practitioners)</b>	Russ Fehr - Budget Overview Panel discussion with Russ Fehr, Jay Goldstone, and Matthew Hymel	Describe the strengths and limitations of the budget development processes you have experience with (including roles, responsibilities and authorities). What influence, if any, does the governmental structure have on the process? What are the pros/cons of a Mayor vs. City Manager proposed budget? If you had the opportunity to design an organizational structure to promote effective fiscal management, budget development processes and public policy development, what would such a structure look like and why?
06/23/09	Tuesday	<b>Status Report to Council</b>		
07/02/09	Thursday	<b>Governance (Organizations)</b> <b>Elections Process</b> - Term Limits - Run-off Elections - Proportional Representation	Presentations by National Civic League (Derek Okubo) and ICMA (Dave Mora) Asst. City Clerk Stephanie Mizuno County Registrar of Voters, Jill Lavine Fairvote.org flyers on Instant Runoff Voting & Proportional Representation	Organizational Perspectives on Governance/Budget Process City Election Process; Term Limits County Election Process
07/08/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Pannell-Meadowview Community Center</b>	<b>2450 Meadowview Road</b>
07/13/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>South Natomas Community Center</b>	<b>2921 Truxel Road</b>

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07/15/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Stockton Blvd. Resources Center</b>	<b>5625 Stockton Blvd.</b>
07/20/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting - 6:30PM</b>	<b>Hart Senior Center</b>	<b>915 27th Street</b>
07/20/09	Monday 7:30PM	<b>Elections Process</b> - Ranked Choice Voting/Instant Runoff Voting - Proportional Representation <b>Decision Making Policy Framework</b>	Presentation by New America Foundation (Blair Bobier)	
08/03/09	Monday	<b>Strong Mayor Focus</b> <b>Full-Time Status for Mayor &amp; Council Members</b>		
08/17/09	Monday	<b>Tentative Decision Making - Governance/Budget/Election Process</b>		
08/25/09	Tuesday	<b>Status Report to Council</b>		
09/03/09	Thursday	<b>Tentative Decision Making - Governance/Budget/Election Process</b>		
09/09/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Pannell-Meadowview Community Center</b>	<b>2450 Meadowview Road</b>
09/14/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Robertson Community Center</b>	<b>3225 Norwood Avenue</b>
09/16/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Coloma Community Center</b>	<b>4623 T Street</b>
09/21/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting - 6:30PM</b>	<b>Hart Senior Center</b>	<b>915 27th Street</b>
09/21/09	Monday 7:30PM	Community Outreach Meeting Follow-Up <b>Ethics Commission (Academics)</b>		
10/01/09	Thursday	<b>Community Outreach Meeting Follow-up</b> <b>Ethics Commission (Practicioners/Organizations)</b> <b>Tentative Decision Making - Ethics Commission</b>		
10/19/09	Monday	<b>Green Waste</b>		
10/27/09	Tuesday	<b>Status Report to Council</b>		
11/05/09	Thursday	<b>Reserved for Revisiting Topics/Testimony</b> - Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics - Opportunity to discuss other topics		
11/09/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting -7:00PM</b>	<b>Mims-Hagginwood Community Center</b>	<b>3271 Marysville Blvd.</b>
11/16/09	Monday	<b>Community Meeting - 6:30PM</b>	<b>Hart Senior Center</b>	<b>915 27th Street</b>
11/16/09	Monday 7:30PM	<b>Discussion of Recommendations</b> - Opportunity to discuss other topics - Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics - Discuss/reach consensus on recommendations		
11/18/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Pannell-Meadowview Community Center</b>	<b>2450 Meadowview Road</b>
11/18/09	Wednesday	<b>Community Meeting - 7:00PM</b>	<b>Coloma Community Center</b>	<b>4623 T Street</b>

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12/03/09	Thursday	<b>Discussion of Recommendations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Opportunity to discuss other topics</li><li>- Opportunity to revisit testimony/topics</li><li>- Discuss/reach consensus on recommendations</li></ul>		
12/14/09	Monday	<b>Discussion of Recommendations</b>		
12/15/09	Tuesday	<b>Present Preliminary Report to Council</b>		
01/07/10	Thursday	<b>Refinement of Report</b>		
01/11/10	Monday	<b>Refinement of Report</b>		
01/19/10	Tuesday	<b>Present Final Report to Council</b>		