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## COLUMBIA COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION COLUMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX 372 WEST DUVAL STREET, LAKE CITY, FLORIDA 32055 AGENDA

JUNE 5, 2012 6:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION
- III. PLEDGE
- IV. ROLL CALL
- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

May 24, 2012 - Columbia County Charter Review Commission

- VI. REPORT OF CHAIRPERSON (a) Draft Report
- VII. REPORT OF COMMITTEES (IF ANY)
- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FINAL PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- (1) Proposed Amendment #1

Article 2, Section 2.1 - Adding Two At-Large Terms - Initial Term for District Seven Shall be for Two Years and Initial Term for District Six Shall be for Four (4) Years

- (2) Proposed Amendment #2
  - Article 2, Section 2.2 Creation of a Citizen Redistricting Advisory Committee
- (3) Proposed Amendment #3

Article 2, Section 2.8(1) - Amending Provisions for Removal of County Manager by the Board of County Commissioners

(4) Proposed Amendment #4

Article 2, Section 2.11 - Removal of Supplementary Public Notice and Information Provision and Providing State Law Control Public Notice of Hearings and Provision of Materials for Hearings

(5) Proposed Amendment #5

Article 4, Section 4.2 - Removes a Department Head's Option to Appeal Termination by County Manager to the County Commission

(6) Proposed Amendment #6

Article 5, Section 5.2.1 - Abolishes Elected Office of County Attorney; Provides for Appointment of Qualified County Attorney by Commission

- IX. PUBLIC COMMENT
- X. CLOSING OF FINAL PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
- XI. DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM
- XII. ADJOURNMENT UNTIL CALL OF THE CHAIR

Known as the Berry Amendment, this amendment which proposes to turn back the clock in the Berry name of progress, had the wording changed to try and fool the public. For months in 2006, this charter amendment, which passed with over 82% of the vote, was discussed and proposed as enhanced public notice. Under the cover of darkness, with consultant Kurt Spitzer, who was present during the 2006 discussions, it was morphed into "Supplementary" public notice.