

Pinellas County Charter Review Commission 2023-2024

Pinellas County Charter History



- In 1968, Florida voters amended the state constitution to provide counties with the power to govern themselves, often referred to as home-rule.
- 20 of Florida's 67 counties are Charter Counties.
- Pinellas County became a Charter County in 1980, with approval of the voters.
- The Pinellas County Charter Review Commission meets every 8 years to review the Charter and make recommendations to amend the Charter.

Composition of Charter Review Commission



13 Members appointed by the Board of County Commission

- One (1) county commissioner
- One (1) constitutional officer
- One (1) member of the Pinellas Legislative Delegation residing in Pinellas County
- One (1) municipal elected official
- Seven (7) members from the public, each of whom shall be nominated by a commissioner from among the residents of that commissioner's district, and none of whom shall be an elected official
- Two (2) members from the public at large, neither of whom shall be an elected official

Charter Review Timeline Requirements



No later than August 1, 2023 BCC Appointments

No later than August 18, 2023 First meeting of the CRC

July 31, 2024

CRC report including Charter amendments due to the citizens of Pinellas County

No later than September 21, 2024
Publication of referendum questions (if any)

November 5, 2024

Charter amendments (if any) on the ballot

Proposed Schedule



Following work session

Advertise and open CRC application period

May 31, 2023

CRC application period closes

June 2023

Selection of CRC facilitator

July 18, 2023

CRC appointments approved by BCC

Questions?