

Legislator Sayegh stated that she agrees with the recommendation from Commissioner Carlin. She stated that it provides an opportunity to choose the best qualified candidate.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she does not agree with the recommendation. She stated that qualifications should not be decreased for department heads. She stated that the Master's degree qualification should not be removed.

Legislator Nacerino stated she does not believe that qualifications are being decreased. She stated that a CPA does not come behind a Master's degree, as a Master's degree is not necessarily specific to the role of Commissioner of Finance.

Commissioner Carlin reiterated that the point is to consider education and experience together in order to choose a qualified candidate.

Legislator Albano stated that he agrees with Commissioner Carlin's recommendation.

Legislator Montgomery stated that she disagrees with Legislator Nacerino. She stated that the position requires a specific Master's degree. She stated that important qualifications have recently been eliminated for jobs in the county. She stated that while she appreciates the recommendation made by Commissioner Carlin, she will not be in support of it.

Legislator Sayegh stated the additional seems more specific than the proposal in 4a.

Legislator Nacerino stated that the proposal provides an opportunity to make an assessment of different candidates based on the needs of the County.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated the experience component can be augmented as needed.

Legislator Gouldman stated that he does not believe the recommendation for a Bachelor's degree plus experience is enough to be a Commissioner of Finance.

Legislator Montgomery questioned whether someone can obtain a CPA without a degree.

Commissioner Carlin stated that a Bachelor's degree and two (2) years of experience is needed to take the CPA exam.

Legislator Sayegh stated that a candidate for the CPA exam must also be sponsored by an auditing firm.

Legislator Montgomery requested the addition of a requirement that the certification be obtained through an accredited institution.

Chairwoman Addonizio questioned what the next step should be.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she is comfortable with the proposal from Commissioner Carlin.

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that she believes three (3) years of experience is not sufficient.

Legislator Nacerino stated that she believes three (3) years of experience is sufficient. She stated that three (3) years coupled with the degree is enough. She stated that she does not want to box out potential candidates.

Legislator Montgomery questioned whether section (a) and (c) in the additional could be combined.

Commissioner Carlin stated that section (d) in the additional includes this combination.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to amend the recommendation; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to approve the amended resolution; Seconded by Legislator Nacerino. All in favor.

4b. Approval/ Local Law/ Amend Section 4.03 of the Putnam County Charter Entitled “The Division of Real Property Tax Services; Director”

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that the change made in Section 4.03 is the addition of a six (6) month time frame for the County Executive to appoint a Director of the Division of Real Property Tax Services should one not be confirmed by the Legislature.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to approve Local Law/ Amend Section 4.03 of the Putnam County Charter Entitled “The Division of Real Property Tax Services; Director”; Seconded by Legislator Nacerino. All in favor.

4c. Approval/ Local Law/ Amend Section 5.01 of the Putnam County Charter Entitled “Department of Purchasing; Director”

Chairwoman Addonizio stated that the changes made were to resolve grammatical errors. She stated that the content of Section 5.01 does not change.

Legislator Montgomery stated that minutes from the Charter Commission meetings have not been received since March. She stated having minutes of these meetings would be beneficial prior to discussing Charter changes.

Legislative Counsel Robert Firriolo stated that the minutes are available upon request.

Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to approve Local Law/ Amend Section 5.01 of the Putnam County Charter Entitled "Department of Purchasing; Director"; Seconded by Legislator Nacerino. All in favor.

Item #5 - FYI/ Litigation Report – Duly Noted

Item #6 - Other Business – None

Item #7 – Adjournment

There being no further business at 6:30PM Chairwoman Addonizio made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Sayegh. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Legislative Intern, Tanya Ramirez.