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## Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, March 19, 2019

4:30 PM

Room 108, City-County Building  
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Samba Baldeh; Shiva Bidar; Paul E. Skidmore; Rebecca Kemble; David Ahrens and Marsha A. Rummel

**Excused:** 2 - Sheri Carter and Barbara Harrington-McKinney

**Others Present:** Deputy Mayor Nick Zavos, Ald. Keith Furman, Norm Davis (DCR Director), Byron Bishop (DCR), Tariq Saqqaf (Mayor's Office), Ald. Matt Phair

Ald. Samba Baldeh, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, seconded by Ald. David Ahrens, to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2019 Common Council Executive Committee meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from CCEC members present.

Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney arrived at 4:44 p.m.

**Present:** 7 - Samba Baldeh; Shiva Bidar; Paul E. Skidmore; Rebecca Kemble; David Ahrens; Barbara Harrington-McKinney and Marsha A. Rummel

**Excused:** 1 - Sheri Carter

### PRESENTATION

[54912](#)

Equal Opportunities Division (Department of Civil Rights) 2018 Annual Report - Byron Bishop, Equal Opportunities Division Manager

**Attachments:** [2018 EOD Annual Report .pdf](#)

Byron Bishop, Equal Opportunities Division Manager, presented an update on the Equal Opportunities Division's 2018 Annual Report (attached to legislative file). Mr. Bishop answered questions from CCEC members.

**REFERRALS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL**

[53938](#)

SUBSTITUTE Amending Section 35.01 and creating Sec. 35.03 of the Madison General Ordinances to formalize the appointment procedure for the City's appointees to the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District.

**Sponsors:** Samba Baldeh

**Attachments:** [Version 1](#)  
[Version 2](#)

Deputy Mayor Nick Zavos spoke on the ordinance and was available to answer questions.

A motion was made by Ald. David Ahrens, seconded by Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney, to amend the ordinance to read:

"In addition, two of the City's appointees to the Commission shall be alderpersons, who shall serve as voting members on an ex-officio basis."

The motion to amend passed by voice vote/other.

A motion, as amended, was made by Ald. David Ahrens, seconded by Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[54685](#)

SUBSTITUTE Creating Section 2.03(7) of the Madison General Ordinances to provide an alternate method of filling aldermanic vacancies on a short-term basis.

**Sponsors:** Marsha A. Rummel, Sheri Carter and Michael E. Verveer

**Attachments:** [Version 1](#)

Ald. Rummel requested the ordinance amendment be drafted. The City currently has a procedure for filling aldermanic vacancies, set out in Sec. 2.03, MGO. An unusual event occurred this year, when an alder resigned after the time for filing of nomination papers had closed, but before the election. This usually means a resignation after January 1 and before April. There may not be enough time to use the method mandated by Sec. 2.03, resulting in the position remaining vacant for several months, and the district without an alder. This ordinance amendment proposes that, in such a circumstance, the Council President may seek a person who previously served on the Common Council or on the County Board and resides in the district, and seek appointment of that person to serve the short time until the election in April.

A motion to amend the ordinance to remove the word "may" and replace with "shall" was made by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Siealff, seconded by Ald. Rebecca Kemble. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion, as amended, was made by Ald. Marsha Rummel, seconded by Ald. David Ahrens, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT SUBSTITUTE - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

## UPDATES

### [55054](#)

Update: Status of the City's Education Committee - Ald. Matt Phair, District 20

**Attachments:** [3/19/19 Email from Ald. Matt Phair Re: Education Committee.pdf](#)

Ald. Matt Phair was present for discussion on the status of the Education Committee (see his attached email report to CCEC). He noted that the committee had lost momentum due to turnover in membership on the committee. They will be surveying the MMSD, County Board, Council and was open to edits/changes to the questions:

1. Does the committee add value to your organization?

Can the committee support your strategic goals and objectives in regards to your work with school age children and families? If yes how so?

2. What role should the committee play?

Information sharing

Review body of current collaborative initiatives that are under way

Proactive policy making body

Provide budget recommendations to respective entities

3. What issues/projects/initiatives should the committee focus on?

When answering this question, consider if the issue/project/initiative is being worked on in some other

legislative body (full or committee, sub-committee, workgroup, etc)

Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff requested Kwasi Obeng to work with Tariq Saqqaf (staff to Education Committee) to send the survey questions to the CCEC for feedback and any additional questions (e.g. makeup of committee, only legislative or add executive branches?).

Ald. Marsha Rummel thought other school districts should be considered for membership to the Education Committee (e.g. Middleton-Cross Plains).

### [54919](#)

Update: Task Force on Structure of City Government (3/19/19) - City Attorney Mike May

**Attachments:** [2/28/19 TFOGS Update to CCEC.pdf](#)

Ald. Kemble mentioned that she and Justice Castaneda, Chair of the Subcommittee on Boards, Commissions and Committees, were on a recent episode of "District Reports"

### [54918](#)

Update: Common Council Chief of Staff (3/19/19) - Kwasi Obeng

**Attachments:** [3/5/19 Chief of Staff Update.pdf](#)

No verbal update was provided.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No future agenda items were discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Ald. David Ahrens, seconded by Ald. Sheri Carter, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.