



City of Madison

Meeting Minutes - Final

PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW BOARD

City of Madison
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Wednesday, October 18, 2006

5:00 PM

Room LL110 Madison Municipal Building

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:00 PM by Chair Moen.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paul E. Skidmore, Larry Pasha, Tyrone W. Bell, Michael S. Scott, Terry E. Moen, Adam G. Lichtenheld and Amy R. Smith

Excused: Austin W. King

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of 9/20 unanimously approved on a motion by Skidmore, seconded by Scott.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

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SUBSTITUTE - Repealing Sections 10.34 and 10.35 and recreating Section 10.34 of the Madison General Ordinances to establish standards for street names and addresses.

A motion was made by Pasha, seconded by Skidmore, to Reconsider and refer to a future meeting Members had not received the complete version of this until the meeting. Additionally members were unclear on the cost, implementation, motivation for and time table for ordinance and would like the sponsor (Konkel) or someone knowledgeable on the issue, to attend the next meeting to answer questions Board has, prior to taking action on it. A/C Kieken (Fire Dept) said they endorse the concept but are concerned about the implementation - all new signs or transition over? The motion passed by the following vote:

Excused: King

Aye: Skidmore, Pasha, Bell, Scott, Moen, Lichtenheld and Smith

Present: 7 - Paul E. Skidmore, Larry Pasha, Tyrone W. Bell, Michael S. Scott, Terry E. Moen, Adam G. Lichtenheld and Amy R. Smith

Excused: 1 - Austin W. King

Preplanning for Halloween - Police & Fire

Joel Plant (Mayor's Office), Capt. Mary Schauf (Police) and A/C Jim Keiken (Fire) presented the plan for handling this year's Halloween event downtown. This year's theme is "This is not last year's Halloween." Many changes have been made including making it a ticketed event with entertainment venues and food stands. As such it is a familiar type of entertainment event with structure. This will hopefully make it a safer event. This is in opposition to the impromptu "free for all" of the past. Private sponsors have fallen short of initial expectations. The net result hoped for is a "soft landing" Saturday at event's end, and then hopefully next year the event will only be a one night happening. This year media is focusing on the positive which is good. Traffic plans for each night (Friday and Saturday) are in place. Blair to Randall is actually the total zone of event due to impact - ripples out from center (State Street). The traffic plan will go into effect before the hockey game crowd leaves. The glass-free zone is a great plus. Gating starts at Lake and goes up to the Capitol. Fencing is construction type with barrels which is easily moved/removed but adds a visual deterrent. The four ticket booths are totally mobile. Traditionally the crowd on Friday night leaves in an orderly manner; Saturday night is the problem. Additionally, Daylight Savings Time once again ends that night adding an extra hour. Entertainment/music will be done at the "first" 1:30 AM, and once police have determined it is safe, street cleaners will move into that area to prepare the street for the normal business to follow later that morning. A contingency plan is in place for any extra action on Langdon Street. A number of fire inspectors will be working to do spot checks on bars in the area for capacity numbers as well as for house parties and Langdon Street. Fire Department employees work in conjunction with Police support. An additional ambulance will be brought up but the brush rig will not be utilized on State Street - biggest worry for Fire is a structural fire in the middle of the party area. Have many medical emergencies which not only tax fire services but local medical facilities. Operational headquarters will again be Parkinson Hall; Emergency Operations Center at the Water Department. There will be 2 cameras (possibly a third from State) utilized as well as enhanced lighting. The biggest backlog last year was getting arrested persons into jail - Sheriff's Dept has committed to improvement. There is also a Badger football game that day so it could be very, very busy.

Fire Department Report

Fire is finishing up preparations to begin another hiring process which would start in October next year. Department is in the midst of a pilot program to gather data on the impact of an 8th ambulance which would be utilized on Friday and Saturday nights in the downtown area. This program will end just before Thanksgiving and then will be evaluated to show that an 8th ambulance is needed. The 2007 budget was not cut but not all requests were given. For the first time in many years, will be an increase in civilian staff (2 new hires approved). Currently managers and captains have to do their own copying, filing, etc. due to very limited civilian staff to support the 315 commissioned employees. Fire Prevention week has basically become fire prevention month due to the volume of schools to visit, parade and related activities, so October is a busy time for Fire Department. January 12, 2007, will be the promotional ceremony for several promotions (at Warner Community Center) and February 2, 2007, will be the graduation ceremony (at Monona Terrace) for current recruit class. Invitations will be mailed later but this was given so members could put these events on their calendars.

Agenda items for next meeting

"Allied Drive" is a pressing future agenda item. Timing depends on when Captain Davenport has finished his report on Allied Drive. There is also a new city attorney civil enforcement initiative - perhaps all ready for the December meeting? It would be the sole agenda item and be held at Allied Drive area so that input from residents could be a large part of the meeting. Another future agenda item would be a follow up on Pasha's presentation at the September meeting.

Standing Committee Reports

No reports were given.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 on a motion by Skidmore, seconded by Bell.