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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 15, 2012

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 525 (City-County Building)
5th floor, IT Department Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 5 -

Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Chris Schmidt; Paul E. Skidmore; Sue Ellingson and Tim Bruer

Excused: 3 -

Satya V. Rhodes-Conway; Matthew J. Phair and Lauren Cnare

Others Present: Sarah Edgerton (IT Webmaster), Michael May (City Attorney), Ald. Mark Clear, Ald. Scott Resnick, Ald. Bridget Maniaci, Natalie Erdman (CDA), Anne Monks (Mayoral Assistant) and Brenda Konkel

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from the members present.

Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway arrived at 4:35 p.m. Ald. Matt Phair arrived at 4:40 p.m. Ald. Lauren Cnare arrived at 4:45 p.m.

Present: 8 -

Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Chris Schmidt; Paul E. Skidmore; Satya V. Rhodes-Conway; Sue Ellingson; Tim Bruer; Matthew J. Phair and Lauren Cnare

DEMONSTRATION

[26253](#)

InSite Demonstration - Sarah Edgerton, City Webmaster

Sarah Edgerton reviewed the upgraded Legislative Information Center. Changes would provide an improved user experience online:

- The user can share legislation, agendas, and minutes to social networks within each page of the legislative tracking system
- There is a better search functionality and the ability to export legislative searches to Excel, PDF or Word
- Listing individual council member sponsored legislation, link to alder website, email, blogs.
- Listing of committees and their members (emails)
- User has the ability to drag and reorder information to give the user greater control over the order and organization of table views

- A new system for Email Alerts to easily track issues by creating a User Account and signing up to receive email alerts on specific legislation and when agendas and minutes have been posted
- Link to committee meeting video from meeting page

Ms. Edgerton indicated that the upgraded site would be live May 21 or May 22, 2012.

UPDATE

[26274](#)

Update: Council Legislative Analyst Position - Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, Council President

Attachments: [Legislative Analyst Job Bulletin.pdf](#)

Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff noted that Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway drafted the questions for the supplemental questionnaire for applicants. Ald. Chris Schmidt and Ald. Bridget Maniaci would be reviewing the written answers to the questions. After the applications and the questionnaires have been evaluated the final slate of candidates would go to an interview panel. Application opening date was May 7, 2012 and the application closing date is May 25, 2012.

DISCUSSION ITEM

[26254](#)

Discussion Item: Ideas for City-County Collaboration/Joint Meeting - Ald. Scott Resnick, District 8

Attachments: [D. 8 Joint County-City Discussion Budget Proposal.pdf](#)

Ald. Scott Resnick was present for discussion on this item. He distributed a handout with his proposal for a joint County-City discussion on the budget.

Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway asked if this would be only the City of Madison Common Council and Dane County Board members or would it be expanded to include other municipalities. Ald. Resnick indicated that it could potentially be expanded to include other municipalities. Ald. Rhodes-Conway thought it was an unwieldy process and possibly they could do smaller breakouts to discuss specific areas of interest (example: parks) to make the conversations smaller.

Ald. Bridget Maniaci liked the idea and thought it would be beneficial to talk with other municipalities (e.g. Verona on transportation issues). Ald. Rhodes-Conway stated that they should be aware of the role that Dane County Cities and Villages Association (DCCVA) and that they plays much the same role as what was being proposed by Ald. Maniaci.

Ald. Bidar-Sielaff thought the City-County Liaison Committee could be involved in determining the specific areas to be discussed. She asked for suggestions on areas to discuss city-county collaborations. Ald. Resnick suggested: Information technology, Fire Department, landfill issues. Ald. Tim Bruer suggested: 311, community services, economic development. Ald. Paul Skidmore suggested: transportation. Ald. Lauren Cnare thought the June policy agenda setting session may provide a topic(s) for discussion.

Ald. Bidar-Sielaff believed the City-County Liaison Committee should discuss this proposal. She thought that the budget discussion should start with an information sharing session. Possibly a presentation by City and County Finance Directors for both bodies with a question and answer session to follow (particularly this budget season). Lisa Veldan will find possible dates in August.

Ald. Chris Schmidt provided the following possible format:

2 hour session

30 minutes for City Finance Director

30 minutes for County Finance Director

60 minutes for Question/Answer Session

Ald. Resnick believed that County officials may have feedback on this proposal and provide insight and suggestions.

REFERRALS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL

26032

Amending Section 3.14(7)(b) of the Madison General Ordinances to replace the member of the Dane County Regional Transit Authority Board from the Long-Range Transportation Planning Committee with a citizen member.

Sponsors: Paul R. Soglin

Attachments: [Version 1](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway, seconded by Ald. Chris Schmidt, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE. Anne Monks indicated that this was purely a housekeeping measure. Ald. Chris Schmidt believed that the title may be misleading and it may be confusing. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

26135

SUBSTITUTE Amending Section 33.28 of the Madison General Ordinances to revise the title and composition of the Board of Education/Common Council Liaison Committee.

Sponsors: Shiva Bidar-Sielaff and Matthew J. Phair

Attachments: [Version 1](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Chris Schmidt, seconded by Ald. Matt Phair, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF EDUCATION - COMMON COUNCIL LIAISON COMMITTEE.

Ald. Matt Phair summarized the changes. The goal was to think bigger and broader (e.g. ramifications of the Achievement Gap plan). He indicated that once the committee was established they want to bring in as many agencies as possible to find out what educational services are being provided, see what was working and not working and then have the staff person to the committee do research on other successful programs.

The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[25836](#)

SUBSTITUTE Amending Section 32.03 of the Madison General Ordinances to separate the functions of the Housing Committee into two committees: the Housing Strategy Committee and the Landlord and Tenant Issues Committee.

Sponsors: Paul R. Soglin, Scott J. Resnick and Michael E. Verveer

Attachments: [Version 1](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway, seconded by Ald. Paul Skidmore, to approve the ordinance with amendments from the Housing Committee and RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[25837](#)

SUBSTITUTE Creating Section 33.34 of the Madison General Ordinances to create a committee which will focus on housing strategy in the City of Madison.

Sponsors: Paul R. Soglin, Scott J. Resnick, Sue Ellingson and Michael E. Verveer

Attachments: [Version 1](#)
[6.12.2012 registration](#)

Registration:

Brenda Konkel, 30 N. Hancock Street, Support, Spoke

Brenda Konkel spoke in favor of increasing the number of members on the committee from seven (7) members to nine (9) members and the need to have members from real estate, banking, etc...for expertise and for balance in numbers (quorum issues).

Ald. Bridget Maniaci and Ald. Scott Resnick did not think this would be an issue with the Housing Committee.

A motion was made by Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway, seconded by Ald. Paul Skidmore, to approve the ordinance with amendments from the Housing Committee and to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER.

Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway then moved, seconded by Ald. Paul Skidmore to further amend the ordinance to increase the number of members from seven (7) to nine (9) members. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

The amended main motion passed by voice vote/other.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- * Discussion on conducting review of city committee membership
- * Update on President's Work Group: Development of Alder Position
Description/Role
- * Areas of collaboration with Dane County

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ald. Tim Bruer, seconded by Ald. Chris Schmidt, to approve the minutes from April 10, 2012 CCOC meeting and the April 17, 2012 CCOC special meeting. The motion failed by the following vote: Ayes: Schmidt, Bruer, Ellingson; Abstain: Skidmore; Non-Voting: Bidar-Sielaff; Excused: Phair, Rhodes-Conway, Cnare (alternate).

A motion to reconsider the approval of the minutes from April 10, 2012 CCOC meeting and the April 17, 2012 CCOC special meeting was made by Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway, seconded by Ald. Paul Skidmore. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Ald. Tim Bruer, seconded by Ald. Paul Skidmore, to approve the minutes from April 10, 2012 CCOC meeting and the April 17, 2012 CCOC special meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 -
Chris Schmidt; Satya V. Rhodes-Conway; Sue Ellingson; Tim Bruer and Matthew J. Phair

Abstentions: 1 -
Paul E. Skidmore

Non Voting: 2 -
Shiva Bidar-Sielaff and Lauren Cnare

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Tim Bruer, seconded by Ald. Chris Schmidt, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.