



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft HOUSING STRATEGY COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Thursday, May 23, 2024

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff present: Heather Stouder (Planning), Jennifer Zilavy (City Attorney's office), Jim O'Keefe, Matt Frater, Maria Davila, Julie Spears, Colin Punt (Planning).

Hayes called the meeting to order at 5:00pm with a quorum present.

Present: 7 - John P. Guequierre; Derek Field; Justice M. Castañeda; William R. Ochowicz; Jillian B. Hayes; Belinda J. Thomas and Julia L. Matthews

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Castañeda and seconded by Alder Field to Approve the minutes of April 25, 2024. Motion passed by voice vote.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [83492](#) Public Comment

None

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

A motion was made by Alder Field and seconded by Alder Guequierre to suspend Robert's Rules so that Jennifer McGrath can participate in the discussion items tonight.

Motion passed unanimously.

Chair noted that McGrath can participate, but not vote, on item 5 (83091).

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. [83493](#) Sub-Committee Updates
- Castañeda provided updates on the rental housing and homeownership subcommittees - rental subcommittee is done with their work and is putting together recommendations. Homeownership subcommittee is almost done and will also be putting together their recommendations.**
- The Downtown Madison Inc. (DMI) group will be coming to a future Housing Strategy Committee meeting.**
- Frater provided an update on behalf of the Student Affordable Housing Working Group -- DMI will be meeting again on June 10th to finalize recommendations, and should have a full list of recommendations by the time this full Housing Strategy Committee meets next.**
- A motion was made by Castañeda and seconded by Alder Field to resume Robert's Rules. Motion passed unanimously.**
- A motion was made by Castañeda and seconded by Guequierre to take up agenda item 5, out of order. Motion passed unanimously.**
3. [83494](#) Staff Presentation on Housing Forward Updates
- Attachments:** [240523-Housing Forward Update.pdf](#)
- Heather Stouder provided an update on Housing Forward, and the committee discussed.**
4. [83495](#) Staff Presentation on Regional Housing Strategy Report
- Attachments:** [RHS Overview HSC 24.5.23.pdf](#)  
[RHS-Executive Summary.pdf](#)  
[RHS-Full Report-Action Plan.pdf](#)
- Matt Frater provided an update and presented on the Regional Housing Strategy Report. Committee discussed.**
- Heather Stouder reminded the committee that the June 27th and July 25th meetings will be held in person at the Madison Municipal Building.**
5. [83091](#) Amending Section 25.09 of the Madison General Ordinances related to Chronic Nuisance Premises: (1) to make it easier to declare a Chronic Nuisance Premises when the nuisance activity involves firearms and/or serious bodily injury or death, and shortening the period for declaring a Chronic Nuisance Premises based on nuisance activities not involving firearms or serious bodily injury or death; (2) adding a section to exempt certain victim-centered offenses such as domestic violence, from eligible nuisance activities; (3) administrative and reorganization of some subsections for easier comprehension.
- Attachments:** [83091 Body](#)

A motion was made Castañeda and seconded by Ochowicz to recommend to council to adopt Amending Section 25.09 of the Madison General Ordinances related to Chronic Nuisance Premises: (1) to make it easier to declare a Chronic Nuisance Premises when the nuisance activity involves firearms and/or serious bodily injury or death, and shortening the period for declaring a Chronic Nuisance Premises based on nuisance activities not involving firearms or serious bodily injury or death; (2) adding a section to exempt certain victim-centered offenses such as domestic violence, from eligible nuisance activities; (3) administrative and reorganization of some subsections for easier comprehension.

Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Castañeda and seconded by Alder Guequierre to re-suspend Robert's Rules so that McGrath can again participate in discussion.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Ochowicz and seconded by Castañeda to return to Robert's Rules. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Guequierre and seconded by Castañeda to Adjourn at 7:05pm. Motion passed by voice vote.