



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved PRESIDENT'S WORK GROUP ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Monday, November 29, 2021

3:30 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

NOTE: Quorum of the Common Council may be present at this meeting

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 3:31PM CDT.
Alder Brian Benford arrived at 3:37PM CDT.

Others present:

- Deputy Mayor Christie Baumel
- Assistant City Attorney Doran Viste
- Chief of Staff Mary Bottari, Mayor's Office
- Environmental Health Supervisor John Hausbeck, PHMDC
- Hydrogeologist Brynn Bemis, Engineering
- Water Quality Manager Joseph Grande, Water Utility
- General Manager Krishna Kumar, Water Utility
- Matalin Schoone, Common Council Office Staff
- Chris Hubbuch, Wisconsin State Journal

Present: 6 - Tag Evers; Grant Foster; Brian Benford; Gary Halverson; Charles Myadze and Lindsay Lemmer

MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Lemmer, seconded by Halverson, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [68520](#) Public Comment (11/29/21 meeting)
For items not on the agenda

Attachments: [RegistrantsReport.pdf](#)

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

No disclosures or recusals from the members present.

- [67129](#) Documents for the President's Work Group on Environmental Justice

Attachments: [Resolution Establishing the President's Work Group on Environmental Justice 5-18-21 Mayor Response to SMC re PFAS.pdf](#)
[9-10-19 F35 EIS City Staff Analysis.pdf](#)
[PWEJ 210816 F35 EIS.pdf](#)
[Plans GFLU compatibility.pdf](#)
[Parcel Analysis.pdf](#)
[9-20-21 EWG slides.pptx](#)
[9-20-21 Zoning 101 slides.pdf](#)
[10-18-21 Sound Mitigation Presentation v.2.pdf](#)
[11-29-21 Water Utility PFAS Presentation.pdf](#)
[DG-24-19 DNR Public Hearing.pdf](#)
[DHS PFAS Health Risk Assessments 20211220.pdf](#)
[PFAS Informational Links.pdf](#)
[12-20-21 Water Utility - PFAS Drinking Water Standards Public Outreach.pdf](#)

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

2. [68526](#) 2022 President's Work Group on Environmental Justice Default Meeting
Method: In-Person or Virtual

A motion was made by Lemmer, seconded by Evers, to Remain Virtual. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

3. [68532](#) PFAS: Broad Discussion
a. Overview of Issue(s)
b. City vs County Role(s) for Clean-up & Public Health
c. Setting a Drinking Water Standard
d. Update on Well 15 & Water Quality in Madison

Attachments: [11-29-21 Water Utility PFAS Presentation.pdf](#)
[DG-24-19 DNR Public Hearing.pdf](#)
[PFAS Informational Links.pdf](#)
[Written Public Comment #68532.pdf](#)

Deputy Mayor Christie Baumel & John Hausbeck, PHMDC Environmental Health Supervisor, provided an overview of PFAS issues to Work Group members.

Alders raised questions on:

- Does everyone with a fishing license receive PFAS information? (A: DNR has a fish advisory flier they supply to local bait shops.)

- What outreach is being done to the Hmong community? (A: Signs in English, Hmong, & Spanish. More outreach in progress.)

- How does the WisDNR's proposed drinking water standards affect municipalities? (A: Madison wells meet proposed standards.)

Krishna Kumar, Water Utility General Manager, & Joseph Grande, Water Utility Water Quality Manager, presented on Federal, State, & local roles & drinking water standards, & provided an update on Well 15 & other wells in the City of Madison to Work Group members.

Alders raised questions on:

- Timeline for when Well 15 will be up & running? (A: Water Utility working on it.)

- If the EPA recommends a standard higher than the WisDNR, which one does Water Utility follow? (A: Would follow WisDNR standards first.)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

4. [66914](#) Future Agenda Items
- a. December 20, 2021
 - b. January 10, 2022
 - c. January 31, 2022
 - d. February 21, 2022
 - e. March 14, 2022
 - f. April 4, 2022

Next meeting (12/20/21):

- Exercise/Walk-through: What to do? What can be done? Where do we need more information?
- Effects of PFAS?
- Information sharing & existing resources?

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Myadze, seconded by Lemmer, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting was adjourned at 5:04PM CDT.