



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved STATE STREET DESIGN PROJECT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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Thursday, June 10, 2010

5:15 PM

215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Rm. LL-130 (Madison Municipal Building)

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff Present: Archie Nicolette, City Planning Division; Chris Petykowski, City Engineering Division.

**Present:** 7 -

Michael E. Verveer; Bryon A. Eagon; Ted Crabb; Bruce F. Woods; Julia S. Kerr; Michael W. Rewey and Jose J. Madera

**Excused:** 2 -

Bridget R. Maniaci and Kenneth M. Streit

### 2. APPROVAL OF March 25, 2010 MINUTES

**A motion was made by Rewey, seconded by Woods, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other. Kerr abstained.**

**Excused:** 2 -

Bridget R. Maniaci and Kenneth M. Streit

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

**There was no public comment.**

### 4. [18486](#)

Amending Section 10.32 of the Madison General Ordinances to change dimensions for news boxes in the State Street and Capitol Square District.

**A motion was made by Verveer, seconded by Rewey, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the COMMON COUNCIL. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Staff gave an introduction and explained that the City went through an exhaustive process before the ordinance passed with notice to all the vendors. After it was passed, Madison Newspapers requested the ordinance height requirements be amended to allow their existing coin-operated newspaper vending machines to be put in the district. At the last Committee meeting, Capital Newspapers explained that their primary goal was to get the height raised to 46" and they also explained it worked better for them to use the 54" double-stacked vending machines for the two free publications. After further consideration by the District Alder and Planning Division staff, the sponsoring Alder amended the ordinance to 46" in height. Ald. Verveer added that , in his**

opinion, both the staff and the City Attorney had very valid points for this change and since he's the sponsor, he wanted this group to have a final vote before it is sent back to Council for adoption. Staff explained that raising the machines to 46" seemed like a reasonable request and the 54" height request removed one of the main aesthetic goals of trying to create as consistent a look as possible. There are vending boxes as low as 30", so that is quite a disparity. Rewey had a concern about the concrete bases added to these vending machines and thinks that this is counter to the aesthetics that are implied in this ordinance change. He requested that this could be looked into in future discussions with vendors as not to bog down this current ordinance amendment. The Chair requested staff to inquire with the vendors about the concrete base and if there are other means of securing the vending units.

Mary Carbine, Madison BID, voiced her support for the vending box height request by Capital Newspapers to allow both vending units.

Staff asked the Committee what would be an appropriate deadline to set for implementation. It was agreed that four months is enough time for all the vendors to get their boxes ordered and placed in the designated districts.

**Excused:** 2 -

Bridget R. Maniaci and Kenneth M. Streit

**Ayes:** 6 -

Michael E. Verveer; Bryon A. Eagon; Bruce F. Woods; Julia S. Kerr;  
Michael W. Rewey and Jose J. Madera

**Noes:** 1 -

Ted Crabb

## 5. General Project Updates

Chris Petykowski, City Engineering Division gave updates on various projects.

1. Lisa Link Park is on schedule.
2. West Gilman Street reconstruction should be finished mid-August.
3. Broom Street, a very difficult project requiring the street to be closed because of the deep sewer, should also be done in mid-August. Rewey asked about the pavement markings and if anybody is working on that so that possibly bike lanes would be added.
4. Capitol Square project is moving faster than expected, mainly because of the different method the contractor is using to install the aggregate. The Children's Museum portion should be done before it is open, with the exception of the granite benches.
5. The Lake Street assessment district needs a hearing and the State Street Oversight Committee seems like a good forum to have a public informational meeting. Engineering requested that the next meeting of July 22, 2010 have that item on the agenda.
7. The 700 and 800 Blocks of State Street are scheduled for 2013.
8. The Oversight Committee expressed a desire to work with the University on integrated design between their East Campus Mall plans and the State Street design. They asked City Engineering to come up with some figures on hiring a design consultant to create a plan and to see if the University is willing to contribute funding to a consultant to create a cooperative effort and design. Petykowski said he would look into that.
9. Continuing on Lake Street, the Committee asked if there should be a review of the pedestrian lights and when Langdon Street lights and State Street lights stop and start.
10. The Langdon Street project will provide new acorn Bassett style lights, a traffic island on Langdon and Frances Streets, and aggregate around the trees, similar to Gilman Street. New handicapped ramps on Langdon Street will also be installed.

## 6. Other Business

None.

**7. Next Meeting**

City Engineering requested using the next meeting for an informational presentation on the Lake Street project and assessment. The next meeting will be held July 22, 2010 at 5:15 p.m.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Woods, seconded by Rewey, to Adjourn at 6:18 p.m.  
The motion passed by voice vote/other.