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Meeting Minutes - Approved SUSTAINABLE MADISON COMMITTEE

Monday, April 17, 2017

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
City-County Building, Room 103A

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order following confirmation of a quorum present.

Present: 10 - David Ahrens; Stacie A. Reece; Rajan V. Shukla; Michael J. Vickerman;
Lance E. Green; Jason A. Vargo; Jeannette E. LeZaks; Maria A.
Schletzbaum; Richard A. Heinemann and Evelyn H. Atkinson

Excused: 7 - Sam J. Breidenbach; Richard J. Pearson; Jesse J. Shields; Bradley
Campbell; Tracy E. Harvey; August R. McGinnity-Wake and Joseph M.
Ryan

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes from March 20, 2017 made by Ald. Ahrens, second
by Vickerman. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [46249](#) SUBSTITUTE Recreating Section 3.14, creating Sections 33.55 and 33.56 of the Madison General Ordinances to update the Department of Transportation and create the Transportation Policy and Planning Board and the Transportation Commission.

Attachments: [Expanded Drafter's Analysis](#)
[Current Section 3.14](#)
[Version 1](#)
[Ken Golden email.3.8.17](#)
[CSOS Draft Minutes.3.9.17](#)
[LRTPC Draft Minutes.3.23.17](#)
[Ann Kovich email.4.12.17](#)
[CSOS feedback re TORC-Memo 04.20.17.pdf](#)
[Staff memo updated 5.10.17](#)
[Registration statement.5.10.17](#)
[Memo to TORC 6-6-17.pdf](#)
[Written Comments.pdf](#)
[Comment Chart.xls](#)
[Approved 6.12.17 Agenda.pdf](#)
[TORC Draft Minutes 2.20.17.pdf](#)
[TORC statement 06 19 17.ABC.pdf](#)
[TORC Draft Minutes 6.12.17.pdf](#)
[A.Kovich email 6.19.17.pdf](#)

Ald. Ahrens moved to adopt and discuss all three items at once. Seconded by Heinemann. Changes hope to consolidate 9 committees into 2. Ald. Ahrens offered an amendment for consideration by Committee with regard to removing position details of each Commission/Committee member as he felt this was inconsistent with other committee descriptions. Vargo and Green felt Committee should leave the wording as is. Committee voted to leave wording as is and to offer full support to the changes.

This Ordinance was Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the COMMON COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

2. [46376](#) Repealing Sections 3.14(1) through (3) and 3.14(4)(k) through 3.14(11) of the Madison General Ordinances to update the Department of Transportation Department ordinance.

Attachments: [Current.Sec.3.14](#)
[Expanded Drafter's Analysis](#)

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3. [46377](#) CHARTER ORDINANCE - Repealing Section 3.14(4)(a) through (j) of the Madison General Ordinances to restructure the Department of Transportation .

Attachments: [Current Sec. 3.14](#)
[Expanded Drafter's Analysis](#)

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This Charter Ordinance was Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the COMMON COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DISCUSSION

4. [46537](#) Presentation by Stacie Reese and Jeanette LeZaks on Carbon & Energy.

Attachments: [SMC Presentation - Energy and Carbon Chapter Review Update for April.pr Sustainability Plan update - energy and carbon review - 5 16 17.pdf](#)

Reece and LeZaks presented PowerPoint and Spreadsheet highlighting success, progress on goals and items not completed in the Carbon and Energy section of the Sustainability Plan. Most items not completed were items that required action from commercial, business or utility companies that were not easily influenced by the City. They will forward spreadsheet to Committee members.

5. [46167](#) Collaboration with the Committee on the Environment

Attachments: [City Committee List 9-11-10.pdf](#)
[City Committee List 9-11-10 with sustainability elements.pdf](#)

Shukla provided a short background on issues. COE and SMC meet at same time and deal with similar issues, although COE is heavily focused on surface, storm and ground water issues. Options that can be considered: merge two committees; have joint meetings; have joint sub-committee meetings on specific topics of just conversations between the two committees. Heinemann asked if there were examples of other committees that have done this type of merge. None could be thought of, but Transportation restructuring discussed earlier comes close. Van Lith mentioned previous staff work on identifying committees that worked on elements of sustainability. He will forward with minutes. Ald. Ahrens feels COE has limited activities other than the report outs on environmental issues. Vickerman felt there was no downside to working together.

Shukla will arrange a joint meeting on May 15 between the committees to discuss possible joint meeting structure, and sub-committee work.

[This Discussion Item was Discuss and continue].

6. [43380](#) Update on Energy Plan

Attachments: [ProgressReport20161213.pdf](#)
[FINAL MGE-CITY MOU 05-12-17 \(A2802918x9DEB4\).pdf](#)
[Collaboration topics \(A2802917x9DEB4\).pdf](#)

Public Comment from John Becker of CRANES. Projected population increase of 10% in county will impact energy use. Wants to be sure that energy plan aligns with County and other City wide plans like Comprehensive Plan, Madison in Motion.

Not much to update on Energy Plan. Team assessing information and some energy numbers. Hoffman will meet with alders and Finance Committee during budget process in June to establish City budget parameters. Date of meeting will be forwarded to committee.

(This item was Discuss and continue).

7. [46164](#) The Energy/Carbon Goal Resolution

Shukla informed Committee that and RFP has been drafted and sent out to gather help on implementing energy and carbon goals. More information will follow at later meetings.

[This item was Discuss and continue.]

8. [44959](#) Street Tree Policies.

Attachments: [Tree Workgroup.pdf](#)
[Street Tree Planting Procedures.pdf](#)
[planting trees.pdf](#)
[Tree Subcommittee Basics 10-16-16LG.pdf](#)
[Wisconsin UFA Factsheet_01282016.pdf](#)
[Saratoga-springs.pdf](#)
[Jason Vargo-Street Tree Resources.pdf](#)
[Madison Ordinances on Trees.pdf](#)
[MadisonTreeWorkingGroupReport 1-17.pdf](#)
[Madison Utility Undergrounding Ordinances.pdf](#)
[Policy for funding the Undergrounding of Overhead Utility Lines.pdf](#)
[EAB 2016 Council Update.pdf](#)
[COM EAB Plan Update Sept 2013.pdf](#)
[Madison Forestry Program](#)
[City of Madison Street Tree Map](#)
[Canopy-by-parcel.pdf](#)
[Madison-trees](#)
[Madison Canopy Street Tree Group](#)
[Sustainable Atwood Tree Inventory](#)
[Final Tree Report 2008.pdf](#)
[SMC Tree WorkgroupPaper DRAFT3-3-17.pdf](#)
[FireProtectionandTrees Ruckriegel 1-5-17email.pdf](#)
[SMC Tree WorkgroupPaper 2ndDRAFT4-5-17.pdf](#)
[Ash Street Tree 1-20-2017.pdf](#)
[SMC Tree WorkgroupPaper FinalDraft4-10-17.pdf](#)
[Fwd In support of item 8 at 4-17-17 Sustainable Madison Committee meeting.](#)
[Memo Street Tree Protection Final.pdf](#)
[TreeSubcommRecommendations 4-17-17.pptx](#)

Public comment for Leslie Schroeder. City needs to protect and promote canopy trees. Feels from her attendance at sub-committee meeting that trees lose out in most city policies and development projects and that recommendations coming from the Street Tree sub-committee should be supported.

Green provided PowerPoint presentation on sub-committee recommendations. General questions on presentation from committee members responded to by Green and van Lith. Main recommendation is to develop an Urban Forestry Master Plan and make changes to EAB Plan with regard to treating trees under power transmission lines.

Vickerman moved approval of sub-committee recommendations and submission to Council. Seconded by Ahrens. Voice approval by all members of committee

[This Miscellaneous Item was Approve.]

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn made by Reece, seconded by LeZaks. Voice vote approval.