



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Monday, May 19, 2014

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 108 (City-County Building)
Meets the 3rd Monday of the month.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 8 -

Lucas Dailey; Steven M. Fix; Patricia A. Lasky; Mike DePue; Jennifer L. Giegerich; James P. Bennett; Elizabeth A. Katt-Reinders and Patricia J. Gadow

Absent: 1 -

Timothy D. Baker

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Bennett, seconded by Katt-Reinders, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Cheryl Elkinton, Madison, registered a concern for the trees being cut down in conjunction with the Johnson Street project and traffic issues in general

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. [33814](#) Amending Sections 34.105(14), creating Sec. 34.105(16), renumbering Secs. 34.105(16) and (17) to (17) and (18), amending Sec. 34.5601, repealing and recreating Sec. 34.5608, and amending Secs. 1.08(3) and (4) of the Madison General Ordinances to make a more extensive firework permitting process.

Attachments: [BODY](#)

Public Comment:

Rita Kelliher, Madison Festivals Inc (MFI), expressed some concerns about the new permit requirements for fireworks event coordinators, including following setback requirements that deals with public safety, clean up plan submittal, and whether requirements will be standardized for all fireworks events. She indicated the current permit already requires information about the event coordinator and doesn't see the need for a separate permit from the fireworks shooter's permit.

Ed Ruckriegel, City Fire Dept, clarified that the purpose of the ordinance change is to codify best practices that most event coordinators and fireworks shooters are already doing. He also indicated that the permits are indeed required for all fireworks events, not just Rhythm and Booms.

MFI will be installing a boom in the lake to catch floating debris and sending volunteers out immediately after the fireworks and the next morning to maximize the collection of generated fireworks debris.

A motion was made by Bennett, seconded by Lasky, to Return to Lead with the Following Two Recommendation(s) to the BUILDING CODE, FIRE CODE, CONVEYANCE CODE AND LICENSING APPEALS BOARD: (1) Move MGO 34.5608(5)(c)3.b. that references standards for setbacks from the conditions of the Fireworks Event Permit to the Fireworks Shooters Permit conditions; and (2) Combine all clean up plan requirements into one, overseen by the City Engineer. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. [08477](#) REPORT FROM BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ongoing street projects, including Verona Rd and Johnson St, which may require additional erosion control vigilance

3. [08478](#) REPORT FROM WATER UTILITY BOARD:

Board is indicating interest in ongoing chloride issue related to groundwater impacts

4. [08479](#) REPORT FROM SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Not present

5. [14746](#) REPORT FROM BOARD OF HEALTH FOR MADISON AND DANE COUNTY:

Kipp held a neighborhood meeting to discuss contaminated soil removal from the nearby rain garden and PCE removal from water in monitoring wells

6. [13375](#) STAFF REPORT

Committee elected Elizabeth Katt-Reinders as chair, and Jim Bennett as vice chair

7. [19947](#) Discussion of Future Items

Roger Bannerman will return to June COE meeting for salt applicator discussion

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Lasky, seconded by Giegerich, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.