



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL

*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, October 8, 2020

7:00 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

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### **\*COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE\***

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### **SPEAKING GUIDELINES**

**NOTIFIED ABSENCES: NONE**

**CONVENE AS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**ROLL CALL**

**At 7:04 PM, President Carter in the chair.**

**Present:** 19 - Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Patrick W. Heck; Lindsay Lemmer; Michael E. Verveer; Shiva Bidar; Marsha A. Rummel; Paul E. Skidmore; Zachary Henak; Arvina Martin; Syed Abbas; Tag Evers; Sheri Carter; Grant Foster; Michael J. Tierney; Samba Baldeh; Rebecca Kemble; Keith Furman; Christian A. Albouras and Max Prestigiacomo

**Non Voting:** 1 - Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. [62487](#) Introduction: History of the Task Force on Government Structure (TFOGS) and the purpose of the Committee of the Whole meeting - Assistant City Attorney John Strange
2. [62494](#) Presentation by Former Members of the Task Force on Structure of City Government - Eileen Harrington, Justice Castañeda, John Rothschild

**QUESTIONS FROM COMMON COUNCIL MEMBERS**

3. [62495](#) Questions for Task Force on Structure of City Government Former Members and/or City Staff

**DISCUSSION**

4. [62496](#) Discussion: Draft Resolution - Referendum on Common Council Structural Changes on the Spring 2021 General Election Ballot

A motion was made by Abbas, seconded by Martin to direct the TFOGS Implementation Work Group to introduce a resolution that, if eventually approved by Common Council, would place the TFOGS recommendations to transition to a smaller, full time council and 4 year aldermanic terms on the Spring 2021 Election Ballot.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**RISE AND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE****ADJOURN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND ADOPT THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

A motion was made by Abbas, seconded by Bidar, to Adjourn at 10:50pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.