



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft SISTER CITY COLLABORATION COMMITTEE

Monday, September 19, 2011

5:30 PM

Room LL120 - Madison Municipal Building
215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 by Chair Alfano.

Present: 5 -

Frank L. Alfano; Carolyn A. Gantner; Daina P. Zemliauskas-Juozevicius;
John W. Jacoby and Ald. Bridget R. Maniaci

Absent: 1 -

Benjamin R. Manski

Excused: 3 -

Josephine H. Oyama-Miller; Amy R. Zastrow and Victor E. Villacrez

Others present: Tom Foley, Ricardo Gonzalez and Dick Kotenseutel.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - None.

4. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS - None.

NEW BUSINESS

5. [23860](#) Sister City International Membership

Dues for membership are \$880.00 per year. Discussion was held as to if there is any value to being a member of the organization. Motions were made by Maniaci/Gantner to table discussion until the October meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Committee members should go to the Sister City International website to review organization programs, etc.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. [21947](#) SCCC Membership Criteria

There was discussion held on criteria submitted for review by Chair Alfano after the August meeting. A motion was made by Maniaci and seconded by Jacoby to accept the criteria as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

7. [23223](#) Status of Authorized Sister Cities

Presentations were made by representatives of Mantova, Obihiro, Vilnius, Ainaro, Arcatao, Freiburg and Camaguey. All programs are very active and meet all the criteria to continue as a Sister City. No representatives from Managua, Cusco and Bac Giang were present. Alfano did receive a communication from Centro Hispano that they did not longer want to be involved with the Cusco Sister City Program. The communication will be sent to all committee members.

8. [23224](#) Sister City Q&A Page Status

The page was approved under #21947 and will be added to the Sister City website (after the meeting a resolution will be have to submitted to the City Council to amend the original ordinance to include revised criteria.)

9. [22992](#) Grant Program

Revised form was approved on a motion by Maniaci and seconded by Jacoby. The motion passed unanimously. The form will be sent to all Sister Cities with the exception of Cusco with an October 17, 2011 due date for 2011 funding.

10. [21950](#) Financial Update on 2010-11 Funds

There was no action or discussion on this item.

11. [23623](#) 2012 Budget Update

Maniaci reported that the Mayor's Operation Budget which includes Sister Cities, will be submitted to the Board of Estimates next week and Common Council at their October 4th meeting.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alfano reported that he had been contacted by the Polish Heritage Club of Madison and Latino Chamber of Commerce about prospective Sister Cities in Poland and Mexico.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Maniaci to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Jacoby. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.