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Meeting Minutes - Draft CITY-COUNTY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

5:45 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 357 (City-County Building)

A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Enis T. Ragland; Mark Clear; Jeff Kostelic; Andrew Schauer and Paul Nelson

Excused: 3 - Sheri Carter; Samba Baldeh and Al Matano

Others Present: Dan Lowndes, Greg Brockmeyer and Karin Peterson Thurlow

Ald. Mark Clear, co-chair, called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

A1. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from the city member present.

B. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Jeff Kostelic, seconded by Deputy Mayor Enis Ragland, to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2018 City-County Liaison Committee meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

C. FUND TRANSFERS

There were no fund transfers.

D. REFERRALS (RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS)

There were no referrals.

Ald. Samba Baldeh arrived at this time.

Present: 6 - Enis T. Ragland; Samba Baldeh; Mark Clear; Jeff Kostelic; Andrew Schauer and Paul Nelson

Excused: 2 - Sheri Carter and Al Matano

E. ITEM REQUIRING COMMITTEE ACTION

1. [49740](#) City-County Building Dog Friendly Policy Proposal - Mayor Soglin / Deputy Mayor Enis Ragland

Attachments: [CCB Dog Policy City.pdf](#)
[Dog Policy Appendix A - Application.12-5-16.pdf](#)
[City Dog Policy Survey.pdf](#)
[2/9/18 DRAFT COUNTY MEMO - DOG POLICY.pdf](#)

E. Ragland spoke regarding the draft survey. He would like to work with County Executive Office to send to City County Building employees, alders and supervisors. Discussion of the survey ensued:

** P. Nelson likes that it is brief. Question 3 should be allergies rather than or in addition to "hygiene"

** A. Schauer stated that Question 4 should be about dogs, not pets. He expressed concern about people wanting to bring other animals. If something is done, it should be on a trial period.

** J. Kostelic stated that this represents a snap shot in time. He does not think a survey should guide action.

** S. Baldeh asked, how will respondents know what the policy is? M. Clear also said the survey itself should include some description, in addition to a link. P. Nelson sees the survey as a way to inform people who work in the building. E. Ragland states that the policy says the owner would be responsible for any damage. M. Clear discussed the memo, but first asked, what does the committee think about the survey? He questioned: Who is doing the survey? And why? There should be a cover memo.

J. Kostelic stated that the County Executive is not incline to support this since he would not support a dog-friendly policy. The risks do not out weight the benefits. Discussion ensued. A. Schauer stated that if the Mayor wants to send out, CCLC cannot tell him not to. S. Baldeh asked, Does the committee have the authority to send out a survey? M. Clear does not want to have the committee get between County Executive and his employees. E. Ragland stated that a survey provides information for committee to make a decision. M. Clear stated the the committee would be authorizing whether dogs can be in the City County Building. The mayor or executive decide whether employees can bring dogs.

The discussion turned to whether dogs are allowed in buildings controlled by the city. E. Ragland stated that the city is working on a policy for all buildings the city owns.

P. Nelson shared information from an article which suggested the need for insurance by the pet owner. He suggested the policy include a requirement for vaccination and licensing. He also suggested elimination of 8.19(2) from draft policy.

M. Clear asked E. Ragland to report back regarding survey results. There was agreement to consider the policy at a future meeting.

F. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

G. REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

1. [50592](#) Discussion Item: City-County Lobby - Information Desk, Chairs, Additional Lobby Changes

E. Ragland expressed an interest in putting chairs back in the lobby, specifically airport-type seating so people cannot lie down. A. Schauer asked for a specific proposal with budget.

S. Baldeh asked, should we have a front desk? E. Ragland suggested signs directing to the electronic directory. He also suggested that facilities management could make a proposal regarding seating. P. Nelson stated we need a way-finding study. G. Brockmeyer, Dane County Director of Administration, stated that the information desk was eliminated in 2011 because we could not find volunteers. An alternative would be to improve way-finding. E. Ragland asked if there is a fund.

Discussion ensued regarding the advantages and disadvantages of returning seating to the lobby. G. Brockmeyer stating that there is seating as people come to specific areas. Facilities management would not be interested in putting chairs back given the issues previously experienced. E. Ragland said now there are ordinances in place to allow the police to keep people from staying. S. Baldeh suggest remodel the entire entrance to make it welcoming. D. Lowndes, the Dane County Risk Manager, has not banned anyone for two years. Permanent chairs will need frequent replacement. G. Brockmeyer indicated that chairs can be put out for key events.

E. Ragland would like to have a vote on seating at a future meeting. A. Schauer likes the idea of chairs. He would like a proposal. S. Baldeh will work with S. Carter to make a proposal. J. Kostelic stated that large office buildings generally do not have seating. S. Baldeh stated he wants not only chairs but also a person who can answer questions.

There was agreement to discuss the item further at a future meeting.

H. FUTURE MEETING ITEMS AND DATES

The City-County Liaison Committee will meet again after county appointments are made in mid-April.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments on items not on the agenda.

J. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW

There was no other business as allowed by law.

K. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Samba Baldeh, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ragland, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.