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Meeting Minutes - Approved DOWNTOWN COORDINATING COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, March 16, 2023

5:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 215 (Madison Municipal Building)

Audio recording of the meeting is available on Madison City Channel

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 pm

Present: 7 - Michael E. Verveer; Patrick W. Heck; Adam J. Plotkin; Ted Crabb; Davy Mayer; Sandra J. Torkildson and Stephen Smith
Excused: 3 - Ryan J. Horton; Barbara Harrington-McKinney and Dominic Zappia

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mayer, seconded by Crabb, to Approve the February 16, 2023 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [61242](#) Public Comment
None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

2. [75583](#) Report of Mall Concourse Maintenance and Special Events 2023
 - Mark Kiesow, Mall Concourse Maintenance, discussed TID 50 expenditures on State Street including planters as well electrical upgrades planned by Traffic Engineering. He also discussed the planned removal of bus shelters and upcoming events in the downtown.
3. [73210](#) Future of State Street Discussion
 - *Public Comment: Vic Villacrez registered in support and was available to answer questions.*
 - Dan McAuliffe presented highlights from a meeting with the Campus Area Neighborhood Association, and summarized comments from the previous meetings (BID, GSSBA).
 - DCC members discussed a potential pilot closure, the process needed to approve a

street closure and issues related to a closure including identifying delivery windows, responsibility of moving barricades and bike and pedestrian safety. Members also discussed potential next steps to pursue a pilot including preparation of a survey, question types and distribution.

A motion was made by Crabb, seconded by Smith, to pursue a street closure up to seven days per week on the 400-600 blocks of State Street with barricades at Gorham, Gilman, and Lake Streets, with timing subject to a survey prepared by the Planning Division in coordination with the BID/GSSBA and review of the committee. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

McAuliffe mentioned the lack of a Vice Chair, which may be coming up for discussion at a future DCC meeting. Smith brought up snow melting equipment as a potential topic for a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Verveer, seconded by Crabb, to Adjourn in honor of Ald. Heck for his public service and specifically to the DCC. The motion passed by voice vote/other and the meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.