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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

4:30 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 108 (City-County Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 5 -

Lauren Cnare; Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Sue Ellingson; Steve King and Chris Schmidt

Excused: 3 -

Tim Bruer; Larry Palm and Mark Clear

Others Present: City Attorney Michael May, Ald. Paul Skidmore, Ald. Scott Resnick, Sarah Busse, Wendy Vardaman, Assistant to the Mayor Anne Monks and Rosemary Lee

Ald. Lauren Cnare, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ald. Chris Schmidt, seconded by Ald. Steve King, to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2012 Common Council Organizational Committee meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from members present.

Ald. Tim Bruer arrived at 4:36 p.m. Ald. Larry Palm arrived at 4:42 p.m.

Present: 7 -

Lauren Cnare; Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Tim Bruer; Sue Ellingson; Steve King; Chris Schmidt and Larry Palm

Excused: 1 -

Mark Clear

COUNCIL MEETING REQUEST

[25778](#)

Request: Poets Laureate Address Council at 4/17/12 Council meeting (poem topic: civility)

Registrations:

Sara Busse, 14 Pebble Beach Circle, Madison

Wendy Vardaman, 2336 Monroe Street, Madison

Ms. Busse and Ms. Vardaman, Madison Poets Laureate, were present for the discussion.

They spoke to expanding the role of poetry in the city, restoring civil discourse through poetry reading and the possibility of regularly speaking at Council meetings. Future recitation material would be vetted by the Poets Laureat (short poems, appropriate to the occasion). Would select poetry readers from a wide pool of contacts/organizations.

A motion was made by Ald. Tim Bruer, seconded by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, to approve poetry recitation at the May 1, 2012 Common Council meeting by Madison Poets Laureate and review poetry recitation opportunities at future Common Council meetings. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

REPORTS

25779

Report: Wisconsin Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects Spring Conference 2012 (March 29 & March 30, 2012) - Ald. Paul Skidmore, District 9

Attachments: [WI ASLA Spring Conference 2012 Brochure.pdf](#)

Ald. Paul Skidmore reported on recent WI American Society of Landscape Architects conference held March 29-30, 2012. He noted that the theme of the conference was "Your Environment, Designed for Your Health, Safety & Welfare".

Program Highlights:

Designing Vegetation Systems for SITES Accreditation
Ethics Professional Conduct of a Landscape Architect
Rethinking RURAL (focused on fringe area of municipalities and how they are integrated with rural areas)
Healthy Safety and Welfare and What It Means to Landscape Architects
The use of Natives as Ornamentals (started by UW Madison)
Managing Urban Stormwater-Panel Discussion (he was a part of the panel)
Native Landscape Design for Stormwater
The New ADA Requirements: Impact on WI Landscape Architects - Ald. Skidmore noted that this will be important for the city because of the Justice Department will be enforcing ADA requirements through audits of facilities. He noted that his may have relevance to the City of Madison parks and playgrounds.

Ald. Skidmore noted that of the 5 professional awards that one was for the City of Madison and three were for companies based in Madison.

CCOC members thanked Ald. Skidmore for providing a report on his attendance at the conference.

25776

January - March 2012 Alder Expense Account: Expense Summary (informational only)

Attachments: [Jan- March 2012 Alder Expense Report Summary.pdf](#)

Members requested to that future reports also include balances from the Bulk Mail and Travel Account Balances.

REFERRALS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL

[25387](#)

Amending Sec. 33.31 of the Madison General Ordinances to change the name of the Sustainable Design and Energy Committee to the Sustainable Madison Committee, modifying the make-up of the Committee and setting the terms for members and alternates.

Sponsors: Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

A motion was made by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, seconded by Ald. Steve King, to Return to Lead to recommend adoption.

Ald. Larry Palm moved to delete language: "(who may also be a Council member)", seconded by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff. Motion to recommend amending the ordinance to delete the language passed with Ald. Sue Ellingson being recorded as voting NO.

Registration: Rosemary Lee, 111 W. Wilson Street, #108, Madison, Spoke Ms. Lee indicated that she opposed reducing the alder representation from two members to one member. She noted that if one alder is unable to attend a meeting you would be assured that another alder would be present and alder representation is needed on this committee.

Ald. Palm reiterated the need to do an overall review of committee membership and size.

The main motion as amended was approved and the recommendation was sent to the SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND ENERGY COMMITTEE.

[25497](#)

Amending Section 33.02(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to strike the three-year sunset date for the student representative from the Associated Students of Madison serving as a technical advisor to the Alcohol License Review Committee and make the position permanent.

Sponsors: Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, Scott J. Resnick and Michael E. Verveer

A motion was made by Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the ALCOHOL LICENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[25690](#)

Authorizing the Madison Common Council and Mayor to directly solicit donations from third parties for "Ride the Drive" on June 3, 2012 and August 12, 2012.

Sponsors: Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

A motion was made by Ald. Steve King, seconded by Ald. Larry Palm, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER.

Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff asked if they would be seeing more of these resolutions allowing for solicitation of donations. City Attorney Michael May indicated that the Ethics Board ruled that under the existing Ethics Code these types of solicitations would require approval by the Council.

The motion passed by voice vote/other.

DISCUSSION ITEM

[25877](#)

Creation of President's Work Group: Development of Council Role Document - Ald. Lauren Cnare, Council President

Ald. Lauren Cnare will chair a President's Work Group to review and create a document that incorporates APM language, survey results and code of conduct. The report/document will come back to the CCOC for review and then to the Council for review and approval.

Ald. Mark Clear arrived at 5:16 p.m.

Present: 8 -

Lauren Cnare; Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Tim Bruer; Sue Ellingson; Steve King; Chris Schmidt; Larry Palm and Mark Clear

PUBLIC COMMENT

Registration: Cheryl Elkington, 924 Vernon Avenue, #2 (Madison), Spoke

Ms. Elkington addressed the members of the CCOC at this time. She listed the following issues she was concerned about and requested that the Council address them:

- 1. Homeless should be allowed to reside in Brittingham Park**
- 2. Automatic walk lights at each intersectoin**
- 3. No turn on red lights and reducing the speed limits**
- 4. New Bikepaths**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

***Discussion on city-county collaborations - Ald. Scott Resnick**

City-County Liaison Committee Issues:

***Parking in the CCB Garage - Ald. Larry Palm**

***311 - Ald. Tim Bruer**

***InSite Demonstration - Sarah Edgerton, Webmaster, Information Technology Department**

*** Discussion on conducting review of city committee membership (from 3/6/12 CCOC Meeting)**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Steve King, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.