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Meeting Minutes - Amended COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, December 11, 2012

4:30 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

- Present:** 5 -
Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Chris Schmidt; Sue Ellingson; Matthew J. Phair and
Lauren Cnare
- Absent:** 1 -
Tim Bruer
- Excused:** 2 -
Paul E. Skidmore and Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

Others Present: Ald. Larry Palm, Ald. Mark Clear, Ald. Lisa Subeck, Heather Allen, Rich Beadles, Karen Bollman, Kevin Little, City Attorney Michael May, Anne Monks, Nick Zavos and Noel Hooper Lofton

Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ald. Sue Ellingson, seconded by Ald. Chris Schmidt, to approve the minutes from the October 30, 2013 Common Council Organizational Committee meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

- Absent:** 1 -
Tim Bruer
- Ayes:** 4 -
Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Chris Schmidt; Sue Ellingson and Matthew J. Phair
- Abstentions:** 1 -
Lauren Cnare
- Excused:** 2 -
Paul E. Skidmore and Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from the members present.

DISCUSSION ITEMS/REPORTS/UPDATES

[27494](#)

Discussion Item: Council Tablets - Rich Beadles, City Information Technology

Attachments: [Dec. 11, 2012 IT Tablet Testing Information.pdf](#)

Rich Beadles and Karen Bollman (Information Technology Department) were present to discuss the evaluation of tablets in the City. Mr. Beadles indicated that IT staff and two other departments are evaluating four different tablets: Acer Iconia W500, Galaxy Tab2, ipad and Dell Latitude 10 (see attachment).

Alders present expressed:

1. Frustration with the Galaxy tablet:links in Legistar blacked out (still work) and downloading multiple documents that have non-descriptive naming conventions
2. Preferences for either keyboard or touchscreen devices

Ald. Mark Clear recently purchased the Acer Chromebook and thought that was an economical alternative for viewing agenda/PDF's and accessing email.

Ald. Tim Bruer arrived at 4:35 p.m.

Present: 6 -

Shiva Bidar-Sielaff; Chris Schmidt; Sue Ellingson; Tim Bruer; Matthew J. Phair and Lauren Chare

Excused: 2 -

Paul E. Skidmore and Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

[28445](#)

City of Madison 2013-2014 Legislative Agenda - Nick Zavos, Governmental Relations Officer, Office of the Mayor

Attachments: [City of Madison 2013-14 Legislative Agenda.pdf](#)
[Funding Formula Municipal Services Payments \(7/27/12\).pdf](#)
[Updated City of Madison 2013-2014 Legislative Agenda.pdf](#)

Nick Zavos was present for discussion on the 2013-14 Legislative Agenda (Mayor). He reviewed the following issues/initiatives. Mr. Zavos also distributed information on the funding formula for the Municipal Services Payments (see attachment).

BROAD POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Maintain local control
- Protect Property Tax Base

FINANCIAL/BUDGET ISSUES:

- Fully fund Payment for Municipal Services program
- Shared Revenue
- Repeal Revenue Caps
- Increase funding for local roads
- Increase State Transit Funding & maintain at a consistent level

SPECIFIC LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES:

- Allow municipalities to give preference to local contractors for public works

- Re-establish RTA
- Remove the RPC from the County's Levy Limited Calculation (ADDED IN UPDATE)
- Increase allowable Municipal Court Fee
- Allow municipal attorneys to issue subpoenas in municipal court
- Increase the penalties for loud cars
- Allow minor property damage to vehicles to be subject to forfeiture
- Support public records and opening meeting law reform
- Limit Pres House tax exemption
- Reduce interest on tax refunds
- Reverse the Walgreens case
- Remedy the difficulties in assessing billboards caused by the Adams case
- Allow municipalities with populations over 35,000 to combine wards for election reporting
- Allow the use of TIF for police/fire stations
- Reduce incentives for municipalities to use TIF to compete for business
- Repeal of same sex marriage ban
- Require colleges and universities to have a TB control and prevention program
- Allow rolling renewal of liquor licenses (REMOVED IN UPDATE)
- Restore state funding for paramedic training
- Regulate the process of scarification

Ald. Mark Clear requested a status update on the Wisconsin Commission on Transportation Finance and Policy. Ald. Bidar-Sielaff reminded Mr. Zavos to contact the alders if it would be helpful in his lobbying efforts. Members also indicated that his email updates were very helpful during the legislative session.

28555

Update: Heather Allen, Common Council Legislative Analyst

Heather Allen was present for discussion on this item. Ms. Allen indicated that she would be working on the two identified Council Legislative Agenda items once they are approved by the Council: demographic changes and alternative revenue sources.

She is also working on and /or completed the following:

- Review operating expenses for Overture Center & Civic Center - requested during budget deliberations
- Recycling in public places and outdoor events - Requestor: Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway
- Background information on ordinances on environmental justice, responsible banking, foreclosures and noise - Requestor: Ald. Bridget Maniaci
- 2012 Foreclosure assessment report - Requestor: Ald. Anita Weier
- Local hiring for public works projects and health impact analysis - Requestor: Ald. Satya Rhodes-Conway

She is working with Lisa Veldran on creating an internal Council Resource page where these documents could be accessed by alders.

[27971](#)

Report: Scenario Planning Workshop-Organizing & Communicating for Success/Tools Summit for 2010 and 2011 HUD Sustainable Communities & Community Challenge Grantees (Salt Lake City, UT, September 10-12, 2012) - Ald. Larry Palm, District 15

Attachments: [SLC envision tomorrow overview.pdf](#)
[SLC values driven communication 0.pdf](#)
[SLC placematters tools summit building scenarios 0.pdf](#)
[SLC nci-tools and techniques 0.pdf](#)

Ald. Larry Palm was present for discussion on this item. He attended the conference in his capacity as member of CARPC. He noted that they received a HUD grant that involves food and bus rapid transit. HUD holds a series of conferences and they invite grantees to attend.

He was particularly interested in attending this one to learn more about Envision Utah and their community building and charette activities. (He noted that they used iPads to survey neighborhoods and then the surveyors are given the iPad when they hit a certain quota - "iPad Armies".)

REFERRALS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL

[24610](#)

Creating Section 2.37 of the Madison General Ordinances to authorize the Common Council to adopt rules of conduct for alderpersons.

Sponsors: Lauren Cnare and Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

Registration: Noel Hooper Lofton, Opposed, Question

Mr. Hooper Lofton believed that the Council had not addressed constituent protections. Ald. Shiva Bidar-Sielaff indicated that the alder role description addressed many of his concerns and suggested he review the final report which describes the expectations of what an alder should do.

Ald. Lauren Cnare indicated that she felt the Council had not fully addressed the code of conduct issues when creating the alder role description but she would not oppose placing the ordinances on file.

A motion was made by Ald. Lauren Cnare, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO PLACE ON FILE WITHOUT PREJUDICE -REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[24611](#)

Adopting Certain Administrative Procedure Memoranda as Rules of Conduct for Alderpersons.

Sponsors: Lauren Cnare and Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

Attachments: [Reg. form 11.29.2011 Common Council meeting 121311 CCOC Registration.pdf](#)
[2-25 APM Workplace Violence.pdf](#)
[2-33 APM Rules of Conduct.pdf](#)
[2-41 APM Nepotism.pdf](#)
[3-5 APM Harassmnt and Discrimination.pdf](#)
[3-9 APM Appropriate Use of Computers.pdf](#)
[WI STATS 17-12.pdf](#)
[Alder Code of Conduct-Ellingson.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Lauren Cnare, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO PLACE ON FILE WITHOUT PREJUDICE -REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[28066](#)

Amending and repealing various sections of the Madison General Ordinances to correct inconsistencies and improper references in the Madison General Ordinances, constituting the 2012 City Attorney Reviser's Ordinance.

Sponsors: CITY ATTORNEY

A motion was made by Ald. Sue Ellingson, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[28067](#)

Amending Section 16.01(2) of the Madison General Ordinances to be consistent with an adopted ordinance on the composition of the Long-Range Transportation Planning Committee.

Sponsors: CITY ATTORNEY

A motion was made by Ald. Tim Bruer, seconded by Ald. Matt Phair, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT (14 VOTES REQUIRED) - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

[28254](#)

Creating Section 45.07 of the Madison General Ordinances as a repository for ordinances that are void or are unenforceable, to be called the Seventy-Seven Square Miles Ordinance.

Sponsors: Lisa Subeck and Mark Clear

Attachments: [BODY](#)

City Attorney Michael May noted that this ordinance creates a section to be used as a repository for ordinances that are void or are unenforceable, to be called the Seventy-Seven Square Miles Ordinance.

A motion was made by Ald. Chris Schmidt, seconded by Ald. Lauren Cnare, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Reports from National League of Cities Annual Conference: Alders Subeck, Resnick, Rhodes-Conway and Ellingson
- Discuss setting budget priorities earlier in the year and budget process - Ald. Sue Ellingson

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Chris Schmidt, seconded by Ald. Tim Bruer, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.