

# **City of Madison**

# Meeting Minutes - Approved CITY-COUNTY LIAISON COMMITTEE

Monday, July 15, 2013	5:15 PM	210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
		Room 354 (City-County Building)

### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 -Sally Miley; John Strasser; Scott J. Resnick; Mark Clear; Matt Veldran; Al Matano and Paul Rusk

Excused: 1 -Jeff Kostelic

Others Present: Carrie Edgar, Mark Woulf, Karin Peterson-Thurlow

Chair Rusk called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals by city members of the committee.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Resnick, seconded by Clear, to approve the minutes from the June 17, 2013 City-County Liaison Committee meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

30929 Building Use Request: Dane County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Attachments: Building Request\_Dane Co Emergency Planning.pdf

A motion to approve the building use request was made by Clear, seconded by Resnick. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

<u>30930</u> Consideration of Amendment to Section 5.1: Availability of the CCB, General Rule

Attachments: <u>5.1 CCB Policies\_Operating Rules.pdf</u>

Consideration of an amendment to the City County Building Operating Rules, Section 5.1 Availability of the CCB, General Rule was before the committee. The rule specifies that the committee approve building use requests. The amendment allows the committee, or its designee, to approve requests. See language below:

#### 5.0 AVAILABILITY OF THE CCB

5.1 General Rule: No business, non-profit, or personal organization shall be allowed to solicit business or selling on the premises without the Committee's written approval. The City-County Liaison Committee, OR ITS DESIGNEE, may permit the City-County Building to be used by any governmental body or official, or any non-profit, fraternal, religious, political, or veteran's organization for the purpose of governmental business, public meetings for the free discussion of public questions, or for activities of a broad public purpose if such use (a) does not interfere with the primary use of the building as determined by the Committee or its designee; (b) does not unduly burden the managing authority; (c) is not a hazard to the safety of the public or of City or County employees, or detrimental to the building, as determined by the Committee or its designee; (d) does not expose the City or County to the likelihood of expenses and/or damages which cannot be recovered.

Discussion ensued. Clear clarified that if there is time for the committee to meet and approve a request before an event, then that should be the procedure. However, in cases where the committee would not have a scheduled meeting, then the co-chairs would serve as the committee's designee and approve or deny a building use. He indicated that any controversial request would need committee approval, and anticipated that the co-chairs would be approving routine or annual events.

A motion was made by Miley, seconded by Strasser, to approve the amendment and designate the co-chairs as the committee's designees. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

30931 Review of City-County Consolidation Opportunities: Food Policy & Initiatives and Road Maintenance

A review of City of Madison and Dane County consolidation opportunities was before the committee. The committee had identified two topics – food policy and road maintenance.

Carrie Edgar, director of Dane County UW-Extension, and Mark Woulf from the Office of the Mayor, jointly addressed the committee regarding food policy and initiatives.

• Edgar indicated that the Food Council was formed in 2006 and that she had provided staff support since 2011. The Council has a plan of action which is

focused on purchasing issues and food production. The county has the potential for production on county park land at Silverwood Park and the future Anderson Park.

• Woulf indicated that the city has a Food Policy Council, formed in October of 2012. The Council is in the first stages of funding goals related to community services. There has been considerable work done on the community garden program.

• Edgar and Woulf attend one another's meetings and Edgar is a member of the city's Food Policy Council. They look for opportunities to collaborate. For example, they have a joint application for the urban food conference. They also mentioned the Community Action Coalition's new report on food for children. The City has a food access map for the city and county which identifies food deserts. They are working on how to take the top ten list of goals to make them actionable.

Discussion ensued. Clear asked if the two groups had considered joining. Edgar indicated this had been discussed, but that the city is interested in food access and on urban areas, without an interest in purchasing and production. She said it was intentional that the two groups work together and overlap some membership. The groups support one another. Woulf pointed out that there is interest along the entire food system. They are setting up working groups and there is collaboration with those groups.

Strasser asked about the role of the local food committee. Woulf said the committee is working on the public market project with a focus on how food is delivered. The Food Policy Council has other roles. Strasser wondered if the county had a role in the public market project. Edgar said the county provided a list of producers active in the institutional food market to the city for its survey of vendors to gauge interest in the public market. Strasser said that having county representation on the local foods committee would be an approach to coordinate activities.

Veldran asked Edgar and Woulf about roof top community gardens. Woulf said that a downtown gardens group would present to the Council later in July.

Discussion continued regarding the possibility of a Northside community farm. Edgar clarified that the idea is not so much about food production as it is about processing, preservation, and distribution. The FEED Kitchen project is attempting to address these issues. There is an issue with access. How can minority farmers have access to land? How can they have access to a distribution system? Infrastructure is something the city and the county can work on together. The FEED Kitchen would have 5 kitchens set up to rent by the hour. It would provide a shared commercial kitchen. This would help both with food carts and other markets. Authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Dane County providing for the payment to the County of 90% of any interest or penalties collected by the City on delinquent tax payments that are due to the change in the payments for tax collection.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Scott J. Resnick, Mark Clear, Chris Schmidt, John Strasser and Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

Attachments: cost estimates for administering multiple installments.pdf

Clear indicated an interest in more discussion regarding the issue. Resnick pointed out that the mechanism for transfer of money had not yet been determined. One possibility is, rather than an exchange of funds, the city would instead fund an effort that the county already funds, such as the foreclosure task force. Veldran wondered if the funds would be kept in the real estate/treasury topic area. Clear responded that this may be a good use. Clear said there will be no change in tax installments for 2014; the earliest would be 2015. Rusk pointed out this would allow plenty of time for public education.

City treasurer Gawenda addressed the committee. He said that he had formed an implementation team consisting of someone from information management, the county treasurer and his deputy.

Discussion ensued regarding potential statutory changes or intergovernmental agreements to implement the tax installments, possibly throughout the county over time.

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Resnick, to Referred to the CITY-COUNTY LIAISON COMMITTEE. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

#### SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS ALLOWED BY LAW

There was no other business before the committee.

### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Clear, seconded by Resnick, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.