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Meeting Minutes - Draft VENDING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 26, 2015

5:00 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Room 300 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Miller called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m. with a quorum present.

Present: 5 - Michael E. Verveer; Zach Wood; Marlys M. Miller; Saran Ouk and Peter J.

McElvanna

Absent: 1 - Aaron D. Collins

Excused: 3 - Sarah M. Larson; Maureen K. O'Grady and Sean Lee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Wood moved and Ouk seconded that the minutes of the July 29, 2015 meeting be approved. The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were none.

NEW BUSINESS

36949 Street Vending Coordinator's Report, including enforcement, activity, licensing and permitting numbers, the number of chairs in each sidewalk cafe

Attachments: VOC Staff Report_Aug 2015.pdf

VOC Staff Report July 2015.pdf
VOC Staff Report May 2015.pdf
VOC Staff Report April 2015.pdf
VOC Staff Report Feb 2015.pdf
VOC Staff Report Jan 2015.pdf

McElvanna asked what the status of food vendor electricity was. Hansen read aloud from his staff report, in which he had explained that City Engineering and Traffic Engineering had not replied with a flat "No", but that it would take time to gather information about augmenting an already congested electrical system. Hansen said that he would ask for some progress before the next street vending season began on April 15, 2016. Verveer said that a restaurant landlord on Martin Luther King, Jr Blvd had agreed to allow two food vendors to return to the 100 block in 2016, reducing the number of carts to three on the Park Bank corner.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. 39815 Requiring LP-gas Detectors in all Food Carts

City Fire Marshall Ed Ruckriegel was present to answer questions. The committee agreed that this requirement made common sense. Wood suggested that the cost of the gas detectors be added to the fee for the Mall/Concourse Food Vendor License. Street Vending Monitor Eric Melton-White wondered if a bulk rate might be possible. Hansen said that he would contact City Purchasing for more information on that topic. Wood asked Hansen to work with Assistant City Attorney Lara Mainella to develop suitable new draft language. Wood and Verveer would sponsor.

2. 39816 Draft Resolution amending "Regulations Governing Vending on the State Street Mall/Capitol Concourse" to update information required to be displayed on a Mall/Concourse Food Vendor License

Hansen explained that this was an example of Regulations "clean-up" work by Mainella. Wood asked Hansen to work with Mainella to draft suitable new language. Wood and Verveer would sponsor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hansen said that the forthcoming food review would begin on Monday, September 21st and end on Saturday, October 3rd. Verveer added that former VOC member Rosemary Lee, who had served on the committee for ten years, had been stricken with a serious medical condition.

ADJOURNMENT

Wood moved and Ouk seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed. Miller adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

The next meeting of the VOC is scheduled for Wednesday, September 30, 2015, at 5 p.m., room 300, Madison Municipal Building.