



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

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Tuesday, September 15, 2020

4:30 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

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Meeting Video Available Online at Madison City Channel: <https://bit.ly/30nMSef>

### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Syed Abbas; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Rebecca Kemble; Paul E. Skidmore; Zachary Henak; Michael J. Tierney and Shiva Bidar

**Excused:** 1 - Sheri Carter

**Others Present:** Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, Mayor's Chief of Staff Mary Bottari, City Attorney Michael Haas, Ald. Patrick Heck, Ald. Grant Foster and Ald. Keith Furman

Ald. Syed Abbas, vice-chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ald. Michael Tierney, seconded by Ald. Shiva Bidar, to approve the minutes from the 8/28/20 Common Council Executive Committee special meeting and the 9/1/20 Common Council Executive Committee meeting. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

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### PUBLIC COMMENT (9/15/20 CCEC Meeting)

**Attachments:** [9/15/20 CCEC Public Comment.pdf](#)

**Registrant:**

**Agenda Item 8 - Update: Ad Hoc TFOGS Final Report Implementation Work Group (9/15/20)**

**John Rothschild, Neither Supported or Opposed, Available to Answer Questions**

**Ald. Sheri Carter arrived at 4:39 p.m. and assumed the chair.**

**Present:** 8 - Sheri Carter; Syed Abbas; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Rebecca Kemble; Paul E. Skidmore; Zachary Henak; Michael J. Tierney and Shiva Bidar

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from the members present.

## DISCUSSION WITH THE MAYOR

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Discussion with Mayor Rhodes-Conway (9/15/20)

- 2020 Census Update
- Federal Updates
- Crisis Response Team Model

Mayor Rhodes-Conway provided an update on the following:

- 2020 Census Update: Deadline has been stayed but census workers are working diligently in case deadline is shorter than anticipated; response rate in the city is 75% (matching 2010 rate was 77.2% but some parts of the city are under - D. 2, D. 6, D. 14, D. 18, farther west side districts) - this rate is still not sufficient and encouraged alders to share information to their residents to fill out online, phone or at the door.

- Federal Updates: Madison is participating in "When We All Vote" Civic Cities Collective (<https://www.whenweallvote.org/>); signed onto an amicus challenging post office policies; she has joined the group "Mayor's Against Illegal Guns" (<https://everytown.org/mayors-against-illegal-guns/>) asking the President to condemn his supporters using guns as a source intimidation; waiting on possible COVID-19 stimulus package (may include 500 billion in local support)

- Crisis Response Team Model: Looking at potentially starting a CAHOOTS program (Crisis Assistance Helping Out On The Streets) similar to the program in Eugene OR that functions as a mental health crisis intervention program (<https://whitebirdclinic.org/cahoots/>)

## UPDATES

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Update: President's Work Group on Council Communication Tools & Processes (9/15/20) - Ald. Grant Foster, Chair

Attachments: [9/15/20 Example: Meeting & Event Highlights for the Week of 9/7/20.pdf](#)  
[Highlights One-Page Alder Handout.pdf](#)

Ald. Grant Foster provided an update on the work group:

1. Working on final report and hoping to introduce that in October
2. Asked if there was any feedback on the recently emailed draft weekly summary document sent by Debbie Fields that highlighted significant items on committee agendas and non-city meeting events (informational) that can be used on blogs, social media sites. Ald. Harrington-McKinney commended work group members and staff for developing the summary. She found it to be very useful.

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Update: Body Worn Camera Feasibility Review Committee (9/15/20) - Karen Kapusta-Pofahl, Staff

Attachments: [9/15/20 Statement from Co-Chairs on Body-Worn Camera Feasibility Review](#)

Karen Kapusta-Pofahl, staff to the committee, provided an update on the activities the Body Worn Camera Feasibility Review Committee (see attachment to legislative file).

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Update: Ad Hoc TFOGS Final Report Implementation Work Group (9/15/20) - Council Vice-President Syed Abbas, Chair

John Rothschild (registrant) noted he was available to answer questions.

Ald. Syed Abbas provided an update on the work of the Ad Hoc TFOGS Final Report Implementation Work Group:

1. Administrative Services Team work plan being developed and the work group will be discussing it at a future meeting.
2. Assistant City Attorney John Strange will be providing a presentation to the work group on the recommendations on Common Council structure (and for the Council Committee of the Whole).

#### FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ald. Harrington-McKinney would like a future presentation by the Public Health Department on violence prevention.

Ald. Kemble would like the Chief of Staff position description be discussed as soon as possible due to the resignation of the current Chief of Staff, Kwasi Obeng.

##### Discussion Items:

- \*Discussion: Council Chief of Staff Position Description & Next Steps
- \*PFAS Proposal (Ald. Rummel / Future CCEC Meeting)
- \*Creating an Annual Common Council Report
- \*Audit process for City departments

##### Standing Updates

- \*Discussion with the Mayor
- \*President's Work Group on Council Communication Tools & Processes
- \*President's Work Group on APM's
- \*Ad Hoc TFOGS Final Report Implementation Work Group
- \*Body-Worn Camera Feasibility Review Committee
- \*Council Chief of Staff

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Syed Abbas, seconded by Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

**UPCOMING CCEC MEETINGS**

**Tuesday, September 29, 2020 (\*rescheduled to Thursday, October 1, 2020 @ 6:30 pm)  
4:30 p.m.**

**Special Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020**

**4:30 pm**

**Regular Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, October 20, 2020**

**4:30 pm**

**Regular Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, November 17, 2020**

**4:30 pm**

**Regular Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, December 1, 2020**

**4:30 pm**

**Regular Meeting Date**