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Meeting Minutes - Approved COMMON COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 16, 2020

6:00 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING

Meeting Video Available Online at Madison City Channel: <https://bit.ly/2S1otqJ>

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Shiva Bidar; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Arvina Martin; Rebecca Kemble; Tag Evers; Grant Foster and Samba Baldeh

Excused: 1 - Sheri Carter

Others Present: Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway, City Attorney Mike May, Mayor's Chief of Staff Mary Bottari, IT Director Sarah Edgerton, Ald. Paul Skidmore, ald. Lindsay Lemmer, Ald. Marsha Rummel, Ald. Donna Moreland, Ald. Zachary Henak, Ald. Syed Abbas, Ald. Keith Furman, Ald. Sally Rohrer, Ald. Mike Verveer, Ald. Patrick Heck, Karen Kapusta-Pofahl, Council Legislative Analyst, Gail Bliss, Marilyn Feil, Heidi Wegleitner, Jani Koester, and Brenda Konkel

Ald. Shiva Bidar, chair, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals from the members present.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

[59411](#)

Discussion Item: Template for daily communication from Council Chief of Staff

Attachments: [Sample Daily Round Up for Alders.pdf](#)

Members of the CCEC discussed the daily roundup template created by the Council Chief of Staff, Kwasi Obeng.

Ald. Keith Furman asked what the coordination was between the Chief of Staff and Joint Information Center (JIC). Mr. Obeng noted that there are open lines of communication, he sends alder questions to the EOC and if it is a general answer that applies to all districts, includes the response in his daily round up. He also coordinates information from/with the PIO's and Mayor's Office.

Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney asked if Mr. Obeng could add a holding space for "No Update" in the template categories. The updates will be in the email message and as an attachment sent to all alders.

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Discussion Item: Council's role, process and structure in regards to city's recovery from COVID-19 Emergency

Attachments: [CCEC 4 16 20 Recovery Groups Proposal.pdf](#)
[4/16/20 Comments: Madison Affordable Housing Action Alliance.pdf](#)

Registrations:

Brenda Konkel, Support/Spoke

Spoke on her concerns with the homeless population and emergency needs during pandemic. She hoped Council would take the lead on addressing this issue.

Gail Bliss, Neither Support or Oppose/Spoke

Spoke on her concerns with the homeless population and emergency needs during pandemic. Referenced her email that she sent alders. She would like to see the city and the county work together on this issue.

Heidi Wegleitner, Neither Support or Oppose/Spoke

Member of Madison Affordable Housing Action Alliance and her concerns with evictions, backlog and next steps.

Marilyn Feil, Neither Support or Oppose/Spoke

Member of Madison Affordable Housing Action Alliance and encouraged the Council to be proactive and look ahead in putting together a plan once social distancing is over.

Jani Koester, Support/Did Not Speak

Ald. Harrington-McKinney supported all the speakers' comments and the city should see this as an opportunity to look at long term solutions to housing insecurity and asked Brenda Konkel her thoughts on collaboration opportunities. Ms. Konkel shared information on current collaborations.

Ald. Marsha Rummel asked Heidi Wegleitner if she had any information from the County. Ms. Wegleitner stated that county committees have not been meeting and they are in a period of transition from elections so she didn't have information to share.

Ald. Bidar stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to discuss the council's role and possible structures around recovery efforts (not the recovery itself).

Ald. Furman provided an overview of the framework created for recovery efforts (see attachment, "Ad Hoc Recovery Groups Related to COVID-19").

Ald. Rebecca Kemble noted she did not favor creating alder work groups around the recovery theme areas but would rather see this work done by existing Boards, Commissions and Committees - possibly meeting jointly if

needed. Noted the importance of creating the TFOG's Council work group.

Ald. Grant Foster stated that the focus recovery areas/goals resonated with him but supported Ald. Kemble's idea that the BCC's should be working on these issues.

Ald. Furman noted that the recovery structure and survey were influenced by the TFOG's recommendations and discussed the choices of creating ad hoc committees specifically on recovery issues vs. using established city BCC's.

Ald. Harrington-McKinney supported alder only ad hoc groups to work on recovery issues.

Ald. Arvina Martin also supported alder only ad hoc groups to work on recovery issues and if more informatin is needed, those groups could reach out to BCC members' on their expertise in those areas.

Ald. Rummel supported Ald. Kemble's ideas that BCC's should be working on recovery issues. CCEC could have listening sessions where people could be invited that are involved in the recovery areas to share their ideas/knowledge.

Ald. Rohrer thought that the ad hoc alder groups could work collaboratively with BCC's on recovery issues. She noted that the BCC survey could provide more information to inform the groups.

City Attorney May found this proposal to be very difficult to distinguish under open meetings law and thought unintended violations could occur. He suggested that the more the Council could work through existing BCC's the better.

Ald. Patrick Heck stated that after hearing the feedback on the initial draft he would support some sort of hybrid of alders and BCC's working on recovery issues.

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Discussion Item: Tiered prioritization of Board, Commission, Committee meetings

Attachments: [ITMemo_Virtual_Meetings_Update 4 15 2020.pdf](#)
[BCC Meetings DRAFT 4 16 20 CCEC.pdf](#)
[CCEC 4 16 20 Draft Proposed Survey for Committee Chairs .pdf](#)

Registration:

Brenda Konkel - Support/Spoke

Concerned that more committees should be meeting particularly Board of Public Health and Public Safety Review Committee. Didn't believe that having just having the BCC chairs filling out the survey would capture complete feedback.

CCEC members discussed the draft survey and the proposed BCC's to start meeting again.

Ald. Harrington-McKinney thought the survey should be sent to the entire membership of the BCC's. She also thought the Public Safety Review

Committee and Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) should be part of the first wave of BCC's activated.

Ald. Rohrer noted that she worked on the spreadsheet and realized that there was incomplete information. The survey could inform what BCC's or ad hoc committees need to start working on recovery efforts.

Ald. Foster thought the chairs could reach out to their members (as one-way communications) and bring back information for the survey. He also wanted to see other committees being added to the Type 2 category (eg: President's Work Group on Council Communication Tools & Processes, Traffic Calming Ad Hoc Committee, Golf Task Force).

Ald. Heck and Ald. Martin agreed with Ald. Foster on having the chair submit the surveys but ask for feedback from their members.

Ald. Furman spoke to memo from the IT Director, Sarah Edgerton regarding virtual meetings and the need for meeting videos as a source for public access.

Ald. Kemble wanted to see the TFOG's implementation group added to the list and the EOC as well.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Ald. Foster suggested that CCEC discuss remote participation and equity/accessibility. Ald. Bidar asked if anyone wanted to work on this.

Next CCEC meeting: April 21, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ald. Arvina Martin, seconded by Ald. Barbara Harrington-McKinney, to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.