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Meeting Minutes - Approved AD HOC TASK FORCE ON THE STRUCTURE OF CITY GOVERNMENT (TFOGS) FINAL REPORT IMPLEMENTATION WORK GROUP

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

Thursday, December 2, 2021

5:30 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

Note: Quorum of the Common Council may be present at this meeting.

The City of Madison is holding the Ad Hoc Task Force on Government Structure (TFOGS) Final Report Implementation Work Group meeting virtually to help protect our community from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

1. **Written Comments:** You can send comments on agenda items to TFOGS2@cityofmadison.com.

2. **Register for Public Comment:**

- Register to speak at the meeting.
- Register to answer questions.
- Register in support or opposition of an agenda item (without speaking).

If you want to speak at this meeting you must register. You can register at <https://www.cityofmadison.com/MeetingRegistration>. When you register to speak, you will be sent an email with the information you will need to join the virtual meeting.

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Meeting ID: 921 0404 5640

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Furman called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

Harrington-McKinney joined the meeting at 6:25pm.

Others present: City Attorney Mike Haas, Deputy Mayor Christie Baumel.

Present: 5 - Nasra Wehelie; Grant Foster; Barbara Harrington-McKinney; Yannette Figueroa Cole and Keith Furman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Figueroa Cole moved, seconded by Foster, to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021, meeting of the Ad Hoc Task Force on Government Structure Final Report Implementation Work Group. The motion was approved by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [68507](#) Public Comment (12/2/21 meeting)

No members of the public were present.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. [68508](#) Discussion of meeting format for 2022: virtual vs. in-person

Foster moved, seconded by Wehelie, to continue meeting virtually. The motion was approved by voice vote/other.
3. [66447](#) Scheduling of Future TFOGS Implementation Work Group Meetings

The members decided not to schedule any other meetings in December 2021. Chair Furman asked Fields to create a Doodle poll for January 2022 dates, to include options during the day and in the evening, to take into account the members' other committee meetings, and to include Deputy Mayor Baumel in the poll.

4. [67925](#) Discussion of draft ordinance amendment regarding changes to the Common Council's Order of Business.

After discussion among the members, Chair Furman asked Attorney Haas to make the following changes to the draft ordinance:

1. Leave the Common Council meeting start time at 6:30pm.
2. Specify that public comment/public hearings are to begin no sooner than 6:45pm.
3. Verify that all the holidays adopted by the Council are included in the ordinance.
4. In 2.29 - PERSONS' RIGHT TO ADDRESS COMMON COUNCIL, specify in more clear terms what public comment would look like per the discussion in today's work group meeting.

Attorney Haas will share the new draft with members prior to the next work group meeting, and they will decide if they wish to sponsor. The draft will be introduced to the Common Council on January 4, 2022, and referred to the Common Council Executive Committee.

5. [67380](#) Committee of the Whole meeting related to size and shape of Common Council, and appointments and chair of boards, committees, and commissions

Chair Furman went through each slide of the Task Force for Government Structure (TFOGS) PowerPoint presentation that will be presented during the Committee of the Whole meeting and asked the members for their feedback.

6. [61664](#) Continue Discussion of TFOGS Recommendations

Deputy Mayor Baumel stated there are many models for the structure of boards, committees and commissions (BCC). She suggested considering certain questions before choosing a model:

- What are we trying to achieve?
- What are our goals and priorities?
- What is the current purpose and values of our BCCs?

Baumel further suggested starting with a survey to a broader audience and shared a slide of her proposed process. She said she would bring draft survey questions to the work group's next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Foster moved, seconded by Figueroa Cole, to adjourn. The motion was approved by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.

- [61246](#) Documents related to the AD HOC TASK FORCE ON THE STRUCTURE OF CITY GOVERNMENT (TFOGS) FINAL REPORT IMPLEMENTATION WORK GROUP