

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
POLICY & GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
June 30, 2021

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:30 pm on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Andrea Jenkins (Chair), Jeremiah Ellison (Vice-Chair), Lisa Bender, Alondra Cano, Phillippe Cunningham, Steve Fletcher, Lisa Goodman, Cam Gordon, Andrew Johnson, Jamal Osman, Linea Palmisano, Kevin Reich, and Jeremy Schroeder (Quorum - 7)

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021, the meeting was held by electronic means and Committee Members and staff participated remotely due to the local public health emergency (novel coronavirus pandemic) declared on March 16, 2020.

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Department of Arts and Cultural Affairs ordinance ([2021-00387](#))

Passage of Ordinance amending Title 2 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Administration, creating a new Department of Arts and Cultural Affairs, and amending related regulations:

1. Chapter 15 Ethics in Government.
2. Chapter 21 City Coordinator.
3. Adding a new Chapter 43 entitled "Department of Arts and Cultural Affairs."

The public hearing was opened. The following people spoke:

1. Mankwe Ndosì
2. Lana Aylesworth
3. David O'Fallon

Fletcher moved to continue to meeting of Jul 21, 2021. On roll call, the motion passed.
Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)
Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)
Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)

2. Transgender Equity Council Appointment ([2021-00729](#))

Approving the following Council appointment for an unexpired two-year term beginning Jan 1, 2021, and ending Dec 31, 2022: Davis Senseman, Ward 1, Seat 1.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.
Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)
Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)

3. Request for Proposals for the Minneapolis Convention Center Security Services ([2021-00731](#))

Authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Minneapolis Convention Center Security Services.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)
Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)
Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)

4. Request for Proposals (RFP) for health reimbursement arrangement, flexible spending account and transportation administration services ([2021-00734](#))

Authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for health reimbursement arrangement, flexible spending account and transportation administration services to support the City's employee benefit program.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)
Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)
Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)

5. Request for Proposals for Workers' Compensation Legal Services ([2021-00732](#))

Authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Workers' Compensation Legal Services.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)
Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)
Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)

6. Legal Services Contract: Department of Justice Investigation ([2021-00735](#))

1. Authorizing a contract with Jones Day, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in 2021, and not to exceed \$500,000 in 2022, with a total cap of \$1,000,000, and an extension of up to four additional calendar years for any and all work performed for legal representation in matters

relating to the United States Department of Justice's pattern or practice investigation into the City and the Minneapolis Police Department. All additional assistance will be provided pro bono through the duration of the litigation.

2. Waiving the City's procurement processes for legal services contracts related to the United States Department of Justice's pattern or practice investigation into the City and the Minneapolis Police Department.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

7. Contract amendment with Riverview Window, Inc. for Lead Hazard Control ([2021-00733](#))

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. COM0002374 with Riverview Window, Inc, in the amount of \$2,000,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$3,401,250, for additional Lead Hazard Control work, with an extension through May 31, 2023.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

8. Contract with Canopy Mental Health & Consulting to provide professional services to operate 24/7 Mobile Behavioral Health Crisis Response Teams ([2021-00736](#))

Authorizing a contract with Canopy Mental Health & Consulting, for an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000, for two years, to provide professional services to operate 24/7 Mobile Behavioral Health Crisis Response Teams, with the option to extend for three years for an annual amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, at the sole option of the City.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

9. Grant acceptance from the Graves Foundation ([2021-00739](#))

Authorizing the acceptance of a \$47,000 grant from the Graves Foundation to support Mexico in Minneapolis, a Cultural Districts Artist in Residence program, to bring four Mexican master artists from Mexico specializing in the folk arts to mentor four local Minnesota artists.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

10. Memorandum of Understanding with Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department [\(2021-00737\)](#)

Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department Behavioral Health Area in relation to the parties' collaboration regarding a Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Justice and Mental Health Collaboration grant.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

11. Petition to amend the City Charter: Public Safety Department [\(2021-00578\)](#)

1. Receiving a legal memo, which includes findings and a proposed ballot question, on whether the voter-driven petition proposing a charter amendment to remove the Police Department and create a Department of Public Safety is an appropriate proposal for placement on the ballot under applicable law.
2. Passage of Resolution adopting title and ballot language pertaining to a proposed amendment to the Minneapolis City Charter relating to the removal of the Police Department and the creation of a new Department of Public Safety, to be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Minneapolis at the Municipal General Election on November 2, 2021.

A staff presentation was given by Carol Bachun, City Attorney's Office.

Fletcher moved to receive and file the report and continue to meeting of Jul 21, 2021. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Bender, Cano, Cunningham, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (12)

Absent: Reich (1)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

12. Truth and reconciliation process [\(2020-01059\)](#)

1. Receiving and filing recommendations from the Truth and Reconciliation Workgroup on establishing a truth and reconciliation commission.

2. Directing the Division of Race and Equity to work across City departments to develop a framework, timeline, and budget by which the City can implement a Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

A presentation was given by Joy Marsh Stephens, Ebony Adedayo, Division of Race and Equity; Robert Lilligren, Metropolitan Council; C Terrence, Center for Urban and Regional Affairs; Christine McCleave, National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition.

Jenkins moved to receive and file the report and approve the resolution. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Jenkins, Bender, Cunningham, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Osman, Palmisano, Reich, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Ellison, Cano, and Johnson (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

13. Grant acceptance from the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board for 911 staff training ([2021-00756](#))

1. Accepting a sub-grant from the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board in the amount of \$3,920, to reimburse the cost of providing each 911 telecommunicator with training in Telephone Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation.
2. Passage of Resolution appropriating funds to the 911 Department.

A staff presentation was given Joni Hodne, 911 Emergency Communications.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

14. Public safety charter amendment ([2021-00105](#))

Passage of Ordinance, to be submitted to the voters at the November 2, 2021, municipal election, proposing amendments to Article VII and Article VIII of the Minneapolis City Charter relating to Administration and Officers and Other Employees, pertaining to the creation of a new Charter Department to provide public safety services, including law enforcement, and the removal of the Police Department as a standalone Charter Department.

Fletcher moved to return to author. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Ellison, Bender, Cano, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Johnson, Osman, Palmisano, and Schroeder (10)

Absent: Jenkins, Cunningham, and Reich (3)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

15. Opposition to the Enbridge Energy Line 3 tar sands oil pipeline ([2021-00588](#))

Passage of Resolution opposing the Enbridge Energy Line 3 tar sands oil pipeline.

Gordon moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Bender, Cunningham, Fletcher, Goodman, Gordon, Osman, Palmisano, Reich, and Schroeder (11)

Absent: Cano and Johnson (2)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 3:38 pm.

Reported by Ayan Adan, Clerk