

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
PUBLIC HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, CIVIL RIGHTS, AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE
February 3, 2020

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:35 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Phillipe Cunningham (Chair), Cam Gordon (Vice-Chair), Jeremy Schroeder, and Andrew Johnson (Quorum - 4)

Members Absent: Council Members Andrea Jenkins and Alondra Cano

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

1. Reappointment of Director of Civil Rights ([2020-00117](#))

Considering the reappointment by the Executive Committee of Velma Korbel to the appointed position of Director of Civil Rights for a two-year term beginning Jan 2, 2020.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Dave Bicking, 4200 Cedar Ave S
2. Lynn Littlejohn, Vice President of Community Affairs with Mortenson Companies
3. Chanda Smith Baker, with The Minneapolis Foundation
4. Janet Nye
5. Cassidy Gardenier, Director of Equity for the Department of Civil Rights and resident of 331 E 19th St

The public hearing was closed.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Jacob Frey and Velma Korbel, Director of Civil Rights.

Cunningham moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Jenkins, Cano absent]

2. Reappointment of Commissioner of Health/Director of Health Department ([2020-00116](#))

Considering the reappointment by the Executive Committee of Gretchen Musicant to the appointed position of Commissioner of Health/Director of Health Department for a two-year term beginning Jan 2, 2020.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Charles Oberg, 5396 Ashcroft Rd, Minnetonka, MN
2. Daniel Gumnit, CEO of People Serving People

3. LaTrisha Vetaw, with NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center and Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board commissioner

4. Cindy Hilya, with Minneapolis Public Schools

5. Farhya Farah, Director of Public Health at Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Jacob Frey and Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health/Director of Health Department.

Cunningham moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Jenkins, Cano absent]

3. Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Fund for UNICEF, dba UNICEF USA, for the Child Friendly Cities (CFCI) Initiative ([2020-00163](#))

Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the UNICEF USA to support the UNICEF's Child Friendly Cities Initiative. The first cycle of CFCI recognition is five-years from signing the MOU.

Cunningham moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Jenkins, Cano absent]

4. Community Trauma Response Workgroup ([2020-00160](#))

Directing the Office of Violence Prevention to convene and lead a workgroup tasked with developing a proposed community-centered plan to respond to critical incidents of violence in the City of Minneapolis.

Cunningham moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Jenkins, Cano absent]

[Clerk Note: the subject line was changed from "Critical incident response workgroup"]

5. Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board's Youth Master Plan ([2020-00157](#))

1. Receiving and filing the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board's Youth Master Plan.
2. Directing the Health Commissioner to work with the Director of the Youth Coordinating Board to assist with Youth Master Plan implementation and use to help guide the City's work with young people over the next five years.
3. Directing the Minneapolis Youth Cabinet to review the Youth Master Plan's alignment with existing City and department policies, procedures, goals and other plans in order to offer support to the Plan; identify relevant recommendations for the City to implement, including but not limited to procedure change and piloting new trainings and initiatives; support the implementation of recommended action items, including but not limited to providing technical assistance, implementing action items with appropriate departments/staff, and providing continuous implementation support; and participate in the evaluation of implemented recommendations and the Plan as a whole in cooperation with the Youth Coordinating Board.

Staff presentation by Ann DeGroot and Mikayla Ferg, Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board.

Gordon moved to receive and file item 5.1, and to approve items 5.2 and 5.3. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Jenkins, Cano absent]

6. Office of Violence Prevention Fund Update 2019 ([2020-00192](#))

Receiving and filing an update report from the Minneapolis Health Department's Office of Violence Prevention re: Prevention Fund Update 2019.

Staff presentation by Sasha Cotton, Health Department/Office of Violence Prevention.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Nikki McComb, with Art is My Weapon project; Karen Quiroz, Development Officer for Grants and Evaluation with Hennepin Theatre Trust; and Gemma Kumaraea, Communications Coordinator with Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute.

Cunningham moved to receive and file. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Jenkins, Cano absent]

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 3:19 p.m.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Council Committee Coordinator