

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
POLICY & GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

March 24, 2021

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:31 pm on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Andrea Jenkins (Chair), Jeremiah Ellison (Vice-Chair), Kevin Reich, Cam Gordon, Steve Fletcher, Phillippe Cunningham, Jamal Osman, Lisa Goodman, Alondra Cano, Lisa Bender, Jeremy Schroeder, Andrew Johnson, and Linea Palmisano (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. Local Board of Appeal and Equalization policies and procedures ([2021-00339](#))

Approving policies and procedures to be followed during meetings of the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

2. 2021 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions ([2020-01209](#))

1. Amending the 2021 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions to make changes to the "Environmental and Resource Protection Policies" sections to include reclassifying energy source from garbage incineration as a non-renewable energy source.
2. Amending the 2021 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions to make changes to the "Systemic Justice" and "Equitable Access" sections to directly address issues of LGBTQ+ equity.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

3. Medical and scientific collaboration between Minneapolis and Cuba ([2021-00350](#))

Passage of Resolution promoting medical and scientific collaboration between Minneapolis and Cuba.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

4. Civil Service Commission appointment ([2021-00314](#))

Setting a public hearing for Apr 14, 2021, to consider the appointment of Candace Falk to the Civil Service Commission, Seat 2, for a three-year term beginning Mar 1, 2021, and ending Feb 28, 2024.

Jenkins moved to set public hearing for Apr 14, 2021. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

5. Transgender Equity Council Appointment ([2021-00340](#))

Approving the following Council appointment for an unexpired two-year term beginning Jan 1, 2020, and ending Dec 31, 2021: Melissa Burner, Seat 12, Ward 12.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

6. Legal Settlement: Timothy J. Keane v. City of Minneapolis ([2021-00341](#))

Approving the settlement of the matter of Timothy J. Keane v. City of Minneapolis, Case No. 27-cv-19-13701, by payment in the amount of \$32,492 to Mr. Keane and his attorneys, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)
Absent: (0)

7. Legal Settlement: Christopher Lutter-Gardella v. City of Minneapolis, et al. ([2021-00342](#))

Authorizing the settlement of the matter of Christopher Lutter-Gardella v. City of Minneapolis, et al., Case No. 27-co-20-4387, by payment in the amount of \$4,456.50 to Mr. Lutter-Gardella, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)
Absent: (0)

8. Legal Settlement: Claim by Regena Stevenson ([2021-00343](#))

Approving the settlement of the claim by Regena Stevenson by payment of \$250,000 to Regena Stevenson and her attorneys, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)
Absent: (0)

9. Legal Settlement: Jon Shanahan v. City of Minneapolis ([2021-00344](#))

Authorizing the settlement of the claim Jon Shanahan v. City of Minneapolis, MDHR Ref. No. 71774, by payment in the amount of \$20,000 to Jon Shanahan and his attorneys, agreement to adopt live closed-captioning services, and agreement to provide American Sign Language interpretation for making comments at public hearing upon request, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)
Abstain: (0)
Absent: (0)

10. Contract with Leadership for Networked World for pro bono services related to City community safety [\(2021-00348\)](#)

Authorizing a contract with Leadership for Networked World at Harvard University (LNW) for pro bono services related to City community safety work to be administered by the City Coordinator's Office.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

11. Contract amendment with Primacy Strategy Group for federal representation services [\(2021-00349\)](#)

1. Authorizing an increase to Contract No. COM0002372A with Primacy Strategy Group (originally with Lockridge, Grindal, Nauen P.L.L.P before the merger), in the amount of \$50,000 for a new total amount not to exceed \$100,000, and an extension from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, for continued federal representation services in Washington, D.C.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

2. Receiving and filing the Ethics Officer's report related to conflict of interest review of lobbyist's principals and projects which is required to enter into a contract for federal representation services with Primacy Group.

The report was received and filed.

12. Contract amendment with Ungerboeck Systems International, Inc. for mobile work orders and implementation [\(2021-00352\)](#)

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. C99-13987 with Ungerboeck Systems International, Inc., in the amount of \$26,680 for a total amount not to exceed 1,338,836.34, for mobile work orders and implementation.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

13. Contract amendment with Hennepin County Medical Center for computer-aided dispatch and related mobile equipment support services ([2021-00353](#))

Authorizing an increase to Revenue Contract No. C-44292 with Hennepin County Medical Center in the amount of \$3,616.50 for a total amount not to exceed \$402,284.50, for the City to provide computer-aided dispatch and related mobile equipment support services to Hennepin County Medical Center.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

14. Contract with Hennepin County for fiber optic infrastructure documentation ([2021-00347](#))

Authorizing a contract with Hennepin County, using Hennepin County's agreement, to document each party's fiber optic infrastructure when that infrastructure is shared or installed in the other party's facilities, for a term of six years.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

15. Capital Long-Range Improvements Committee (CLIC) Appointments ([2021-00355](#))

1. Approving the following Council appointments for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2022: Beth Toso, Seat 3, Ward 2; and Richard LaReau, Seat 25, Ward 13.
2. Approving the following Mayoral appointments for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2022: Eric Won, Seat 27, Ward 4; Sanja DeGarmo, Seat 30, Ward 7; and George Montague, Seat 28, Ward 7.
3. Approving the following Mayoral reappointments for two-year terms beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2022: Dan McConnell, Seat 31, Ward 2; Todd Schuman, Seat 32, Ward 13; and Jocelyn Beard, Seat 33, Ward 4.

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

Aye: Jenkins, Ellison, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Osman, Goodman, Cano, Bender, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (13)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

16. Federal update on the American Rescue Plan [\(2021-00354\)](#)

Receiving and filing a presentation on the implementation of the American Rescue Plan Act.

A presentation was given by, Fatima Moore, Department of Intergovernmental Relations; and Emily Tranter, Primacy Strategy Group.

The presentation was received and filed.

17. Arts workgroup update and recommendations [\(2021-00351\)](#)

1. Receiving and filing a presentation outlining the arts workgroups recommendations to better align and grow the City's current capacity in public art, the creative economy, and creative cultural work.
2. Directing the City Coordinator's Office, City Attorney's Office, the Finance Department, and the City Clerk to review and recommend any ordinances or policies needed for the creation of a new Department of Arts and Culture to report to the City Coordinator, and to recommend short and long term financing options to support the department.

A staff presentation was given by Danielle Shelton Walczak and Gulgun Kayim, City Coordinator's Office.

Cano moved to receive and file the presentation and approve a revised staff direction. On roll call, the motion passed.

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

Nay: Goodman (1)

Absent: Bender (1)

Abstain: (0)

Reports of Committees

Council Members reviewed reports from standing committees to be presented to the full City Council for consideration. Committee reports for each reporting committee are linked below:

- Business, Inspections, Housing & Zoning Committee ([CR-BIHZ-21-00111](#))
- Public Health & Safety Committee ([CR-PHS-21-00115](#))
- Transportation & Public Works Committee ([CR-TPW-21-00118](#))
- Executive Committee ([CR-EXEC-21-00122](#))

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm.

Reported by Ayan Adan, Clerk