

Observer Report**Referrals Committee****December 8, 2022****Present:** Mayor Biss, CM Suffredin, Revelle**Staff:** Alison Leipsiger, Luke Stowe**Others:** Manan, Cheryl Wollin (LWV)

Meeting is called to order at 8:30 a.m. and the minutes of the Nov. 10th meeting are approved 3-0. No public comment given.

Mayor announces that there are only two items on the agenda today. The first one (line#61) is made by CM Suffredin that all City Council Meetings start at the posted time. This could be done by either changing the day that the committee meetings that meet beforehand is changed, or that the discussion items are suspended until the next meeting when it is time for the council meeting to begin. It is rude to the public who arrive expecting to attend the council meeting to have to wait a lengthy amount of time. CM Revelle agreed and suggested that the chair and staff determine which agenda items will take extended discussion time and plan accordingly. Prioritize issues with this in mind. Motion made to refer to Rules Comm. for their February meeting. Approved 3-0

Next referral (#62) was made by CM Geracaris to have all agenda items go before the Equity and Empowerment Committee before they are on committee agendas. CM Suffredin noted that all items are listed now, and anyone can see the agendas before a meeting. The motion was to send this first to E&E to see if they want to do this, and if so, send it then to Rules to put it in formal procedure. Alison mentioned that she was meeting tomorrow with the chair and staff, and would bring up a discussion of this issue. Everyone agreed that was a good idea. Motion to send this to E&E first for their January meeting, and then they can send it to Rules if they so desire. Approved 3-0

Adjourned at 8:42 a.m. with Mayor Biss noting that they had set a good example for other committees for efficient work and timing.