

**Present:** Mayor Biss, CM Revelle; staff - Alison Leipsiger, Luke Stowe

Meeting was in person (everyone masked) and began at 9:02 a.m.

A full agenda of referrals this morning. They determined outcomes from #70 through #89. Most votes were 2-0 since a new third member has not yet been appointed.

**70.** (Reid) Do we need a new ordinance to regulate community refrigerators? They are on private land, filled by private citizens, so does government need to regulate them. Staff will consult with health department.

**71.** Dealt with.

**72.** (Burns) Is there communication support for council members with constituents? Included in their compensation already is an allowance for newsletters, etc. Luke mentioned that in the past work-study have helped with this type of activity. As the pandemic eases, these jobs will begin again. The city pays 25% of work-students stipend. Otherwise it is an issue for the next compensation committee (in three years).

**73.** (Burns) Fireworks policy. Sent to Human Services Committee for second quarter.

**74.** (Suffredin) Create an office of Independent Inspector General. This requires discussion of all council, so should go to Rules Committee in second quarter.

**75.** (Suffredin) Should HR be an independent department? Alison and Luke will research best practices in HR, especially since Manager is recruiting new staff.

**76.** (Revelle) Extension of MWRD lease of Canal Shores. There will be some large capital expenses and the MWRD is seeking big donors. They want assurances that there is long term commitment from the city. There will be some city \$ needed to meet new regulations (soil samples, etc.) Move to A&PW to have staff negotiate new lease by third quarter.

**77.** (Revelle and Burns) Ecology Center to set up canoe launch. They received a grant to study/determine place, etc. Now the engineers want to get started. The EEA is supplying large sum of \$ too. Referred to A&PW for second meeting in March.

**78.** through **79.** (Reid) These are all clarifications or eliminations of terms in city codes. Alison has spoken to Reid about the need to go over items with the police, stakeholders, legal staff, etc. to see what is necessary and proper. She

will alert this committee when that research is done, and then they can make a decision.

**88.** (Suffredin) Replace or eliminate DAPR. Referred to P&D for second quarter.

**89.** (Burns) Commission cap on food delivery service. Mayor mentioned that there is a pending lawsuit on this issue which would apply statewide. Refer to A&PD before end of first quarter, but inform them of the lawsuit.

END of tracker list!

Revelle noted that they were going to review some items that had been postponed months ago to see how they were being handled. Alison said that she and Luke were meeting with staff of standing committees, and would check on that. They are also reviewing the application form used, but would keep the tracker form.

Adjourned about 10:30 a.m.