

# **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

# **City-County Homeless Issues Committee**

Consider

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, December 7, 2020 5:30 PM Virtual meeting

# A. Call To Order

Staff present: Casey Becker, Ben Doing, Sarah Lim, Linette Rhodes

Others present: Stefanie Niesen, Brenda Konkel

Ketcham called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Present 10 - KATHERINE KAMP, LINDA KETCHAM, MIKE TIERNEY, ULYSSES WILLIAMS,

Supervisor SARAH BALDWIN, ELENA HAASL, MICHELE DOOLAN, SARAH SMITH, Alder LINDSAY LEMMER, and JASON ILSTRUP

Absent 3 - VICTOR BANKS, KATHRYN (KAT) KOSKI, and DANIEL NALE

# **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2020 MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2020

MIN-341

Attachments: 2020\_1116 CCHIC Minutes

A motion was made by LEMMER, seconded by DOOLAN, to approve the minutes.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 10 - KAMP, KETCHAM, TIERNEY, WILLIAMS, BALDWIN, HAASL, DOOLAN, SMITH,

LEMMER and ILSTRUP

Absent: 3 - BANKS, KOSKI and NALE

# C. Public Comment

No general public comment registrants.

2020\_1207 CCHIC WRITTEN COMMENTS

COM-019

Attachments: 2020 1207 CCHIC Written Comments

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#### **Disclosures and Recusals**

Jason Ilstrup - paid lobbyist for "Downtown Madison, Inc."

# **Attendance Update**

Banks joined the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

Present 11 - VICTOR BANKS, KATHERINE KAMP, LINDA KETCHAM, MIKE TIERNEY,
ULYSSES WILLIAMS, Supervisor SARAH BALDWIN, ELENA HAASL, MICHELE
DOOLAN, SARAH SMITH, Alder LINDSAY LEMMER, and JASON ILSTRUP

Absent 2 - KATHRYN (KAT) KOSKI, and DANIEL NALE

#### D. Presentations

1. City of Madison Ordinances Affecting Vehicle Campers

Stefanie Niesen from the City of Madison Parking Enforcement explained the city ordinances that may affect people living in cars, which included 48-hour limit on parking on city streets, storage, abandonment, and daily nightly parking restrictions for winter parking.

Committee discussion, Q&A followed.

# 2. Occupy Madison Tiny Houses

Brenda Konkel from Occupy Madison provided information on the tiny house village at 1901 Aberg Avenue, including the application process, applicant prioritization, construction updates, operation plan, and community support.

Committee discussion, Q&A followed.

#### E. Action Items

1. Discussion and Possible Recommendations Regarding Ordinances Affecting Vehicle Campers

2020 ACT-270 2020\_1207 CCHIC PUBLIC REGISTRATION

Attachments: 2020 1207 CCHIC Public Comment Registration

Carousel Bayrd (Community Justice Inc., Municipal Defense Project, attorney) provided public comment. Neither support nor oppose.

Regarding the topic raised of "designating a spot for vehicle campers with proper waste disposal and other amenities", the committee requested that the city and county staff:

- Check potential sites for such purposes and report back to the committee.
- Connect with outreach teams and get feedback from people experiencing homelessness.
- Contact the State and check if they can allow vehicle campers to stay at state-owned lots.

Note: Linette Rhodes, City of Madison Community Development Division Grants Supervisor, clarified the request should be forwarded to the city, county, and state Emergency Operation Center.

2. Discussion and Possible Recommendations Regarding Occupy Madison Tiny Houses

A motion was made by KAMP, seconded by SMITH, to express support for the Dane County allocation for Occupy Madison. The motion carried by a voice vote.

3. Election of Chair(s)

A motion was made by KAMP, seconded by LEMMER, that Ketcham and Williams continue to serve as co-chairs in 2021. The motion carried by a voice vote

# F. Discussion Items

1, 2021 Committee Work Plan

Members provided feedback on agenda items to add, including:

- COVID-19 immunization plan for people experiencing homelessness
- City-County Homeless Issues Committee's role
- Updates on men's shelter development, eviction statistics, income and cost of living, innovative ideas and best practices.

# G. Reports to Committee

1. Staff Report

# a. Resources Available for Households Who Need to Attend Eviction Court Hearings Online

Staff relayed information received from Legal Action of Wisconsin, Tenant Resource Center and county departments regarding resources available for households. While limited resources are available through those agencies, there were concerns for those who are not accessing those agency services.

# b. ESG-CV Funding Updates

Staff provided updates on Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) COVID-19 special funding. The State of Wisconsin will issue an RFP in the next couple weeks and Dane County Continuum of Care (CoC) will also receive an allocation.

# c. Safe Parking Programs in Other Communities

Staff shared a couple examples of safe parking programs in California.

# H. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

# I. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

# J. Adjournment

A motion was made by WILLIAMS, seconded by KAMP, to adjourn. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Lim and Casey Becker