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COMMON COUNCIL

Special Meeting, Tuesday, January 13, 2009

PRESENT: Aids. Birschel, Donegan, Ewerdt, Hanson, Herzog, Jay, Krol, Maher, McBride, Meaux, Nikcevich, Organ, Purins, Stepaniak, Walsh -15

ALSO Mr. Archambo, City Administrator; Mr. Kesner, City Attorney; Mr. Rusch, Admin.
PRESENT: Intern; Ms. Ledesma, City Clerk

Mayor Didier in the Chair

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

It was noted that any motion made during this meeting would not be for final action this evening; the recommendations will be placed on the January 20, 2009 Common Council agenda for final action.

Discussion of the Aldermanic Selection Process.

It was moved by Ald. Purins, seconded by Ald. Birschel that the aldermanic selection process allow a minimum of one week between the final interviews and recommendation by the selection committee, and final appointment by the Common Council. Roll call vote, Ayes 14, Noes 1 (Hanson)

It was moved by Ald. Purins, seconded by Ald. Maher that a DVD of the interviews be made available to the Common Council members upon request. –

Clarifying discussion concerning this motion ensued wherein it was determined the intent is that the recording would not be made available on cable access. Ald. Maher withdrew his second.

Motion seconded by Ald. Ewerdt. --

It was moved by Ald. Maher, seconded by Ald. McBride to amend the motion to provide that the interviews be broadcast on a delayed basis on cable public access. Roll call vote, Ayes 8, Noes 7 (Birschel, Ewerdt, Hanson, Herzog, Jay, Krol, Organ)

Discussion ensued, whereupon Ald. Donegan called the question. Ald. McBride objected, since he was already waiting to be recognized when the call was made. Discussion continued.

Roll call vote on motion, as amended, Ayes 8, Noes 7
(Birschel, Ewerdt, Hanson, Herzog, Jay, Krol, Organ)

It was moved by Ald. Purins, seconded by Ald. Nikceovich that the information requirements currently being asked of the applicants be reviewed and that common council members be allowed to enhance the questionnaire based on the legal opinion the questions are relevant and germane to the process. Roll call vote, Ayes 14, Noes 1 (Jay)

It was moved by Ald. Purins, seconded by Ald. Birschel that the three aforementioned points (one-week interlude, delayed broadcasting of interviews and review of candidate questions) take effect with the appointment of the next (not current) aldermanic vacancy. –

Discussion ensued, whereupon Ald. Purins reworded his motion as follows with the consent of the Second:

It was moved by Ald. Purins, seconded by Ald. Birschel that recommendations #1 and #2 (one-week interlude, delayed broadcasting of interviews) take effect immediately for the appointment to fill the current 8th District vacancy, and that recommendation #3 (review of candidate questions) be deferred until a subsequent aldermanic selection process. Roll call vote, Ayes 12, Noes 3 (Hanson, Jay, Krol).

The aldermanic selection process issue will appear under Old Business on the January 20, 2009 Common Council agenda for final action.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

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Carla A. Ledesma, CMC, City Clerk