

DRAFT-Legislative Review Committee Minutes
Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Canonico, Councilmember Ohlson, Councilmember Pignataro, Councilmember Gutowski (alternate)

Staff: Ginny Sawyer, Jenny Lopez-Filkins, Tyler Marr, Max Valadez

Guests: Kevin Jones, Ed Bowditch, Jenn Cassell

1. Approval of minutes from September 17, 2024 meeting. Pignataro moved, Canonico seconded. Passed 3-0.
 - a. Amendment to add requests for info on pet crematoriums and legislation inquiry for camera radar fees/points system.
2. Review updated Legislative Policy Agenda
 - a. Redline and Clean versions discussed.
 - i. Typically adopted every year, worked through by staff initially and redline brought to LRC. Once approved by LRC, placed on Council agenda for adoption, sometimes under consent calendar.
 - b. Discussion on benefits of shifting to two-year cycle for LPA.
 - c. Updates to LPA included:
 - i. Wording changes.
 - ii. Eliminating long list of staff at end of document.
 - d. Air Quality- Change #7 to be more inclusive of non-EV vehicles (e.g., hydrogen fuel vehicles)
 - e. Climate- #4 spelling correction for "extreme".
 - f. Finance- #5 staff explained that state law limits where City investments can go, CO one of few states with restrictions on this topic, less option for City to shop for options.
 - g. Housing – #7 remove provision of free legal assistance due to redundancy. Discussion on difference in right to counsel and free counsel. Staff to check on adjustments to item.
 - i. Mobile Home Act- any way to incorporate safeguards for power grid? Expanding protections for mobile home parks
 1. Staff to look at this and bring follow-up forward if it makes sense.
 - ii. #4 - preference for edit to "supports improving" to avoid issues revolving building of "bad" housing.
 - h. Immigration- #6 staff didn't believe we needed this point, state law changed and verification of lawful presence no longer in state statute.
 - i. Land Use- #11 Council asked for explanation for edits. Staff cited issues of staffing/funding for inspection services, would challenge City's ability to meet state mandate.
 - j. Oil and Gas: Question on removing #7. Staff cited more relevance for past Councils on this item.
 - i. Replace local with regional in intro
 - ii. Restore last sentence in intro
 - iii. Restore #3 on pollution monitoring
 - iv. #4: "Supports expansion to current allocation of SST and FML revenue..."
 - k. Public Safety- Staff recommend removing #21, propose addition of #23 to take place. Staff wanted to surface this because of issues related to open drug use after change of state laws and signal that problem is getting worse.
 - i. #15 discussion on qualified immunity: Staff discussed recruitment/retention challenges for police in this space.
 - l. Recycling/Solid Waste

- i. #11 add: “clean” before WTE and reorder the word ‘only’
 - 1. *Possible rewrite:* Opposes mixed waste processing for municipal solid waste and only supports utilizing clean waste-to-energy technology for processing materials that are *not* recyclable or compostable.
 - 2. To add some language regarding plastics.
- m. Small Business Support
 - i. #1- COVID era holdover that is no longer focus of City.
 - 1. Staff to follow up on origin of this change and larger context.
- n. Transportation
 - i. #8 typo (spell out acronym) HUTF instead of HUFT.
- o. Water
 - i. #6- Council asked for explanation of addition. Staff to follow up and get back to LRC on what this change means.
- p. URA
 - i. #4- Staff for small business support wanted this in both areas (only in this area originally) to provide clarity on property taxation.

Agreement that suggested changes can be made and LPA adoption can be calendared for November 4, 2024. This provides time to create a more polished version to have available at meeting/dinner on November 19.

- 3. Other Business and Announcements
 - a. Follow-up: CC4CA membership-\$30,900 in 2024
 - b. Update given on pet crematoriums and authority of localities to create requirements around this.
 - c. Staff would like to follow up on points/fine system for camera radar.
 - d. Staff planning lobbying trip to Washington D.C. week after Thanksgiving holiday.
 - i. Staff to share specific items of interest and share agenda closer to date.
 - e. Meet and dinner with Legislators: Tuesday, November 19, 2024; 4-6pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

Next Meeting: January 21, 2025