

Ordinances & Rules Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2023

Chairwoman Harris called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

Present: Councillors Dunn, Harris, LeBlanc, McLaughlin and O'Brien.

Absent: None.

Councillor McLaughlin moved approval of the minutes from 11/20/2023. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

First agenda item: Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Councillor LeBlanc spoke on this. Councillor LeBlanc made a request that was approved by voice vote to have the Law Department give clarification and feedback on the Zoning Ord. 5.34, 5.35 and 3.7224 in form as to a newly amended amendment. Councillor LeBlanc moved to separate these matters; one amendment line item for Tandem Parking 5.35 & 5.35 and Demolition Delay 3.7224. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc spoke on the Dormer Ord. 2.3015A and Attorney Azadi asked for written description of what the Councillor is asking the amendment to be. Councillor LeBlanc made a request that was approved by a voice vote to have the Law Department review the following ordinance amendments listed on Councillor LeBlanc's request; 2.315A, 2.337, 2.326, 4.219, 4.222, 4.222A. Councillor LeBlanc moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take King First West, LLC SP application at 55 First Ave off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Attorney Phil McCourt spoke on the special permit application. Councillor McLaughlin moved to release part one and part two of the latest law opinion to the petitioner. The motion was approved by a voice vote. The chair called a five-minute recess to make copies of the law opinions to hand out to the petitioner. Councillor McLaughlin moved to suspend the rules to hear from all off committee members. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Attorney Azadi addressed her latest opinions to the Committee. She went through part one and part two separately. Some of the points she made were; parking easement not submitted, access easement not shown, multiple plans provided with same information but different number sequencing, elevator, electrical boxes, metal containers and more not in plans or are in plans but not referenced, labeled or need. Attorney McCourt, Tim Sullivan, and the team for the petitioners were all in attendance and stated they will address within their responses. Fire plans should be incorporated into all the plans should be incorporated into one set of plans and all plans shall be stamped professionally. City Engineer Winn, Inspector Bower, Fire Deputy Grant, Traffic Commissioner Garvin all had comments and spoke on the opinion submitted by Attorney Azadi. They asked for additional conditions to be included in all aspects of the application. Nick Skoly, Rob Nagie, both from VHP all assisted with answering questions to the Committee. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to take the zoning amendment of 6/14/2021 off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. He made a request to the Law Dept. for follow up on the remaining amendments that needed to be addressed. Councillor LeBlanc moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to take the 5/13/2019 Keeping of Hens Resolution off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc made a request that was approved by a voice vote to have the Health Dept. weigh in on the matter and let the Committee know their concerns or issues. Councillor LeBlanc moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to adjourn. The motion was approved on a voice vote and Chairwoman Harris declared the meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Wilson, Assistant City Clerk
December 14, 2023