

Ordinances & Rules Committee
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2023

Chairwoman Harris called the meeting to order at 8:19 p.m.

Present: Councillors Dunn, Harris, LeBlanc and McLaughlin.

Absent: O'Brien.

Councillor Dunn moved approval of the minutes from 3/6/2023. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

First agenda item: Rodenticide Resolution

Informationally, from the Chair, Chairwoman Harris spoke on the Resolution. Councillor McLaughlin made a request that was approved by a voice vote to have the Law Department attend the next Committee meeting to discuss. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to accept a late filed communication from Attorney Laughman. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself. Councillor McLaughlin made a motion to have the Clerk and the Chair review and redact the communication/opinion from Attorney Laughman in order to make available to petitioners. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Waltham Cannabis Special Permit application off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin spoke on the need for another time extension. The Clerk would make sure the petitioners attorney is aware. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the 1362 Main Street Special Permit application of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Attorney Connors spoke on behalf of his client. Councillors LeBlanc made a request that was approved by a voice vote to ask for a date certain as to when we would receive the law opinion back. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Wellington Crossing Resolution of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin moved to hear from all off committee members. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Mike Chiasson, DPW Director, handed out a list of addresses/complexes that do not receive trash pickup in the City. There is not a set list of addresses with this information. Councillors LeBlanc and Dunn asked questions to Mr. Chiasson. Councillor McLaughlin asked what the cost would be with a request like this; adding Wellington Crossing. Councillor Darcy, creator of the Resolution advocated for Wellington crossing and said Bishops Forest amended their special permit and has 269 units. He stated that in Wellington Crossing special permit it does not say that cannot have trash pickup it says if they do private trash pickup they needed to have specific guidelines. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Zoning Review Resolution off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin made a request that was approved by a voice vote to ask the Law Department to attend the next Committee meeting to answer questions

relating to the hens and chickens law opinion. Councillor McLaughlin moved to table the matter. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the Tattoo Resolution off of the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin made a request that was approved by a voice vote to ask the Law Department to attend the next Committee meeting to answer questions relating to the Tattoo Resolution and law opinion received by the Committee. Councillor McLaughlin 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 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kara Wilson, Assistant City Clerk
March 28, 2023