Unedited Captioning Transcript of Committee of the Whole Meeting - March 2, 2023

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Are you good evening? Everyone I'd like to call to order, uh, the local metro councilors, regular committee of the whole meeting March. 2nd 2023 will please come to order. The time is currently, uh. time is currently uh

523 and the meeting is being held pursuant to care at 61.806 in council rule 5 a, or roll call please.

Council member Hawkins, or is it council member? Shanklin that's it. Council member Rashad, president counsel member. Arthur, was it. Council member purpose, counsel, member Baker.

On some of them are crazy here, council member, Council, member and older hill.

Council member Kramer council member BLACKWELL.

Council member sign.

Council member Fowler here, counsel member, chapel here. Council member read your council member or president Winkler counsel member Parker council member.

Council member Benson remember Rui council member angle. Mm. Hmm.

Council member Hudson council member flood.

Council member of that Shawn resident council member ackrason.

Council member, Mulvihill, vice president, you have 23 and a quorum. Please let the record reflect the council mobile and ackrason both have excused absences. So 1st, I'd like to go over tonight agenda. 1st councilman Baker.

You've got a recognition of the National Panhellenic Council. council

Then you and I will recognize Mr Ford who is the public works equipment operator that helped stranded and father and daughter late last year during a major snowstorm.

Um, Madame Clark do we have any addresses to council? Yes, sir we have 1.

Uh, the consent calendar comprises, I.

Items, 19 to 24 would anybody like to add or remove anything from the consent calendar?

Okay, not even your girlfriend, Connie, uh, old business comprises items. 2631 uh, there are 2 items for planning and 0 and zoning flood.

Thank you Mr President and I will be stepping out of the room when that is done and turning it over to counseling. Scott.

He did run that portion of planning and zoning, and I will be abstaining from the vote because the 1st, 1 has on as part of the ownership is the Roman Catholic bishop of Louisville and I'm on the board of Catholic charities.

So, I will be abstaining for that vote and the next item on zoning is a companion to that piece because the backup.

For the opposition is actually the.

Written for both of those so therefore, from advice from the county attorney, I will abstain from both and I will actually leave the room.

Perfect I can read anything. You'd like to know. Mr President both passed with unanimous vote. So pretty routine. Thank you. Uh, there are 2 items for budget and appropriations councilman BLACKWELL, I think just stepped down.

We'll come back to that. Um, there's 1 item for committees and committees. It's the social media policy council woman. Do you want to speak to the social media policy?

Yes, I will do it. Now. If you just want to give a quick, quick highlight.

Yeah, it's a resolution, um, updating the employee handbook to include a social media policy and in the past metro council has operated on the metro it's social policy.

So this will kind of put us up to date and take into consideration the provisions of the 1st Amendment protections for both metro council and the users and the members of the.

Public, and kind of guide us for the proper use of social media accounts that we have here at Council.

Okay, thank you. Any questions about that.

Uh, there is 1 item from labor and economic development.

Mobile, not to catch you right? When you walk in and met him please let the record reflect. We've been joined by counsel mobile.

I can come back to you. Um, it yes, I believe we have, um.

The, uh, it's an incentive it's granting of incentives.

Okay, we'll come back councilman Fowler. You've got 1 item from government accountability.

I'm I'm sorry, I'm not up to date on that right now. Can you come back to me too? Uh, Kim cause I'm back. Are you back?

Council molehill councilman BLACKWELL you have 2 items from budget on the agenda.

Right. Um, I don't 20.

Out of 29 is simply an old business, because it was amended for additional support. So that's a regular appropriations 1 item. Um, 28.

Um, was, uh, I know. Yeah, so, in a minute.

An amended schedule a, to change some of the dates for, um, when we had originally put dates in, for, uh, the expenditures of these items that were already approved earlier for our fan funds.

Comes to North, or do you want to.

Do you have any comment at this point? I'll just say, just a quick overview. I'm concerned about pushing this through. I'm sure you all saw the announcement that came earlier from the mayor.

Some of those items were not explicitly outlined in this ordinance and we weren't discussing them in the budget committee last week. So I'm talking with the administration now and hopefully we can get some clarification on that. But if not, I would move to hold it.

Or potentially send it back to the committee and I'm happy to have that talk tonight on the floor.

Mobile, sorry, thank you. Councilman Arthur. Are there any questions related to that?

Now, counsel, mobile Hill, you've got 1 item an old business. It's the NDA. Yes. And this was held, uh, at the request of district date, and who's not here in district for who is here tonight.

And I believe there were some changes made or suggested by greater level ink that we're now included as part of this.

And as far as that, I think, and I've asked defer to council Arthur, if he's ready for this to proceed, but I believe it's ready to go but I'll defer to him. Thank you.

Announcement Arthur is ready, and we'll have an assistant county attorney, uh, express.

Some of the changes that were made by, but thank you all for your support. That's the only reason this is on our business. Right? And those amendments, I think are already loaded in the system and, um.

So, you can review them, uh, any.

I'm sorry yeah. Okay. Um.

Any other updates on legislation.

I'm ready to speak to the admin.

Cancel my calendar, um, thank you for the time to look look that up. Um, so this is, uh, pertaining to the lobbying ordinance.

The ethics commission reached out to me about a timeline that they were not gonna be able to meet. And this is just basically extending that timeline for them. Um, so they, they, um.

You know, can get more information and meet that deadline.

It's a new business Thank you. Yes. Okay. Thank you.

Um, couple other updates, uh.

You didn't notice district date seat is vacant uh, those applications close.

5 o'clock tomorrow um, there's, there's a couple extra days where, if it was postmark that it can arrive, um, as of right. At least, as of last check earlier today we had 14 applicants.

Um, once that closes on Friday, the county attorney will review the applicants to make sure that they are eligible. Uh, as soon as they complete their work, we will send out the list of eligible candidates.

Uh, you should already have an invite on your calendar for 40 PM on March 13th. That's when we will have. will have

Have a special committee of the whole to conduct the interviews.

I think actually, Steve had had a good suggestion. Uh, we will do our best number 1 to keep them at the 10 minute limit, but also sort of dispense with the procedural sit down. Well, I'm going to brief them all in the conference room before we start.

They're going to get the spiel 1 time.

And then we're gonna come in and and move them through. So, hopefully that will keep the process flowing. And then in our regularly scheduled council meeting 2 weeks from tonight, 6 o'clock on March 16th.

Uh, we will presumably vote to fill that vacancy.

Any questions about that timeline or process.

A friendly reminder on the sexual harassment, uh, prevention training, um, any staff members will need to complete the employee training and Edwin sent this out to everybody's office where you can register.

Uh, but there's an employee training for any staff members. That is due by March 20th. And then council members, uh, and any managerial staff need to complete the supervisory training, uh, as well, which is due March 30th.

So, um, counselors, you have to complete both. Okay. both okay Um.

Manager or Stephanie Edwin, et cetera. Sonia have to complete both your staff has to complete just the 1.

Finally on April 13th. Uh, so this will be post spring break. We will when we filled the district gate seat, we will have the photographer back, uh, to take full council pictures. Uh, they'll take full caucus pictures.

Uh, I think they will be able to take any headshots if anybody needs a retake or anything. Uh, but Mark your calendar um. um

April 13th, they will be here, um, art and city hall the application deadline closed on February 27th, uh, special, thank you to councilman chapel and councilman Hudson who are representing council in that selection committee.

Uh, so if you're unhappy with what gets selected, you know, who to blame, if you're happy with what gets selected, you know, to think as well. think as well

Um, so they're reviewing 40 artists work. Uh, I think you did some today and I think you're doing some tomorrow if I'm not mistaken, uh, they'll make a list of their top 10.

uh, and then the fight That'll be narrowed down to 5 artists, and the final 5 artists who are selected, uh, receive a 500 dollar on an honorarium in appreciation for them, letting us display their artwork here in city hall for the coming year.

We are optimistically. Hopeful. Uh, that that will all be. be

Deleted and we will have art hanging in 2 weeks by March 13rd council meeting. So, um, if it's not hanging by, then.

Blame the 2 that were selected so, um, couple birthdays to recognize, uh, in very short order councilman Fowler, uh, on March 7th.

Seem to be happy birthday. Uh, maybe we lock it March 11th.

Uh, and do not forget so.

Uh, March 15th, does anybody else have anything to discuss?

So, for the business committee, the whole is adjourned, and we will reconvene at 6 o'clock.