

The City of Lee's Summit
Action Letter - Final
Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Monday, January 8, 2024

11:30 AM

Via Video Conference

Notice is hereby given that the Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the City of Lee's Summit will meet on Monday, January 8, 2024 at 11:30 am via video conference as provided by Section 2-50 of the City of Lee's Summit Code of Ordinances, adopted by the City Council on June 15, 2021, Ordinance No. 9172. Persons wishing to comment on any item of business on the agenda may do so by sending a request prior to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 5, 2024, to the City Clerk at clerk@cityofls.net to attend the meeting on the video conferencing platform. The City Clerk will provide instructions regarding how to attend by this method. The meeting may be viewed on the City's website at WatchLS.net, and on various cable providers (Spectrum Channel 2, AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 and Comcast Channel 7).

1. Call to Order

Chairperson DeMoro called the January 8, 2024 Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting to order at 11:37 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff in Attendance:

Brian Head
Christal Weber
Jina Bellamy

Present: 4 - Chairperson Fred DeMoro
Vice Chair John Lovell
Councilmember Mia Prier
Mayor Bill Baird

3. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Lovell made a motion to Approve the Agenda for the January 8, 2024 Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting. Motion was seconded by Mayor Baird. Motion passed 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson DeMoro
Vice Chair Lovell
Councilmember Prier
Mayor Baird

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. Items for Discussion

- A. [2023-6047](#) Approval of the November 13, 2023 Legislative Intergovernmental Relations Committee Action Letter.

Councilmember Lovell made a motion to approve the November 13, 2023 Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting. Motion was seconded by Mayor Baird. Motion passed 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson DeMoro
Vice Chair Lovell
Councilmember Prier
Mayor Baird

- B. [2023-6046](#) Discussion: Lobbyist Report

Brian Head started the conversation by asking the Committee if they had any comments regarding the format of the Lobbyist report. Comments from the Committee were positive, they appreciated the level of detail provided and didn't make any suggested changes.

Brian highlighted a few of the bills as follows:

1. HB 1438 Solid Waste/Landfill - changes the distance and amount of time for us to conduct a hearing.
2. Tax Assessment Issue - House joint Resolution 68 - which would amend the constitution to require the Jackson County Assessor be elected rather than appointed if approved by the voters of the State.
3. SB 919 - Any CID that would impose a sales tax would require a 2/3 majority vote of the City Council to authorize formation of the CID instead of a simple majority.
4. Possible Election Calendar changes due to holidays

Mayor Baird was concerned with the timeliness of the bills with regard to updates impacting us relative to our sister cities and mentioned letting our lobbyist know that more frequent updates would be desired to ensure accuracy with the information received.

Brian said he would talk with the lobbyist regarding this request.

- C. [RES. NO. 24-02](#) A Resolution expressing the opposition of the Council of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri to the location of a landfill or other facility involved in solid waste hauling near the City's border.

Brian updated the Committee on Resolution 24-02 regarding changing some language to broaden the range of the City's role in landfill/solid waste decisions for the current legislative season.

Specifically:

Whereas, "The City Council is opposed to the location of a landfill or other facility involved in solid waste hauling near the border of the City, and supports legislation to give the City of Lee's Summit and other impacted governmental

entities significant input into the siting of such a landfill or other facility involving solid waste hauling."

After brief discussion, a motion was made.

Mayor Baird made a motion to approve Resolution 24-02 and send it to the City Council for approval. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Prier. Motion passed with vote 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson DeMoro
Vice Chair Lovell
Councilmember Prier
Mayor Baird

6. Roundtable

1. Mayor Baird reminded the Committee that the annual MML event is Feb. 20 and 21, 2024.

2. Brian Head mentioned an item regarding a paint recycling program at the State Level. He will send out information prior to the next meeting and add the topic to the agenda for discussion. If there is an interest in pursuing this - he will let our Lobbyist know.

3. Mayor Baird informed the Committee that he was successful in getting a meeting with Congressman Grave's office. Congressman Graves is the Chair of the Infrastructure and Transportation Committee. Staff met with his Legislative Aid to discuss the 470 corridor and requested assistance due to the amount of growth on 470 corridor going up to 70 highway and the congestion issues already in that area.

He said the meeting was well received and that he was told it would probably take state and federal funds. Mark Dunning is corresponding with his office to keep these concerns and the request for assistance "on the table".

4. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 12, 2024 at 11:30 via zoom.

7. Adjournment

Chairperson DeMoro adjourned the January 8, 2024 Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting at 12:11 p.m.

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