

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
December 6, 2022

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:00 pm on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Elliott Payne, Michael Rainville (Vice-Chair), LaTrisha Vetaw, Jeremiah Ellison, Jamal Osman, Lisa Goodman, Andrea Jenkins, Jason Chavez, Aisha Chughtai, Emily Koski, Andrew Johnson (Chair), and Linea Palmisano (Quorum - 7)

Members Absent: Council Member Robin Wonsley

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Contracts with Fredrikson & Byron P.A., Hylden Advocacy and Law and Primacy Group, LLC for legislation representative services [\(2022-01180\)](#)
 1. Receiving and filing the conflicts review report by the Ethics Officer for Fredrikson & Byron P.A.
 2. Authorizing a contract with Fredrikson & Byron PA, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, from Jan 1, 2023, through Dec 31, 2023, for legislation representation services, and authorizing the waiver of any conflicts of interest between the City of Minneapolis & Fredrikson & Byron PA related to: the firm's continued representation of clients subject to previous City waivers or in similar matters, and the firm's representation of clients in regulatory, land use, licensing, criminal defense, environmental, eminent domain, and assessment valuation and real property tax protests and matters.
 3. Receiving and filing the conflicts review report by the Ethics Officer for Hylden Advocacy & Law.
 4. Authorizing a contract with Hylden Advocacy & Law, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000, from Jan 1, 2023, through Dec 31, 2023, for legislation representation services.
 5. Receiving and filing the conflicts review report by the Ethics Officer for Primacy Group, LLC.
 6. Authorizing a contract with Primacy Group LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from Jan 1, 2023, through Dec 31, 2023, for legislation representation services.

Johnson moved to approve. On voice vote, the motion passed.
[Wonsley absent]

2. 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions [\(2022-01059\)](#)

Approving the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions.

Johnson moved to approve.

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by inserting the following as the last bullet point under “GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP”:

- The prohibition of people from possessing firearms if they have been found to pose a significant danger to themselves or others by possessing a firearm.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following bullet point under “General Government”:

- Decriminalization, legalization, and taxation of recreational cannabis, while ensuring the health and safety of the public, including children, expungement for past offenses, and considering ways to ensure equity and access by communities of color to potential benefits, particularly for small businesses.
- Support pathways into this industry for individuals negatively impacted by the prohibition of cannabis and for a portion of resources derived from the sale of cannabis to be redirected into the communities that were negatively impacted.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Jenkins moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by inserting the following under “Transportation and Transit System Funding”:

- The City supports state investment in capital and operating funds to support vibrant shared mobility systems in Minnesota communities.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by inserting the following as the last bullet point under “Funding for Affordable Housing and Homelessness Prevention”:

- Funding to support innovative housing and shelter models and housing first initiatives.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez and Payne moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by inserting the following under “Transportation and Transit System Funding”:

- Explore fare programs and potential to expand and improve programs like Transit Assistance Program (TAP).

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following changes under “Economic Building and Recovery”:

The City supports financial resources and policies to aid in strengthening and supporting the full rebuilding and recovery of businesses, properties, households and communities in Minneapolis impacted by events of civil unrest as a result of the killing of George Floyd, and to meaningfully address historic and recent disinvestment in cultural districts and recovery corridors throughout the City.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following as the last bullet point under “Systemic Justice”:

- Require the Peace Officer Standards and Training Board to modify the peace officer code of conduct to prohibit peace officers from affiliating with, supporting, or advocating for white supremacist groups, causes, or ideologies.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following changes to the bullet point under “Data Practices”:

- Support amending the Minnesota Data Practices Act Sec. 13.825 subd. 2 to allow for release of body camera data even when there is an active investigation and defining the process for when and how that data may be released.”

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Chavez moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following as the last bullet point under “Public Safety Policies and Coordination Efforts”:

- Explore options for post-conviction relief for a person in immigration removal proceedings.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

Payne moved to amend the 2023 Legislative Agenda and Policy Positions by including the following changes under “Data Practices”:

Support amending MN Data Practices Act Sect. 13.43 Subd. 2 to extend the definition of status of complaint against a peace officer to include whether or not the complaint was sustained.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

[Wonsley absent]

On voice vote, the main motion, as amended, passed.

[Wonsley absent]

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Reported by Michael Waldegerma, Clerk