

Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Committee Members Present:

Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Chair Zelle

Committee Members Absent:

Zeran

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Zelle called the regular meeting of the Council's Committee of the Whole to order at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Zeran

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Gonzalez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Gonzalez to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2020 regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole. **Motion carried** on the following roll call:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Zeran

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Gonzalez

INFORMATION

1. One Minnesota Plan and Equity Goals Update from Governor's Office, Chris Schmitter, Chris Taylor, Migdalia Loyola (Mary Bogie 651-602-1359)

Chris Schmitter, Chris Taylor, and Migdalia Loyola gave an update on the One Minnesota Plan and Equity Goals from the Governor's Office. Chris Schmitter, Chief of Staff for the Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan, shared the history, "Building Blocks," and mission for the One Minnesota Plan. The mission of the One Minnesota Plan is to improve the lives of all Minnesotans by working collaboratively to implement policies that achieve results. Chris Taylor, Chief Inclusion Officer for the Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan, shared information about

the internal work being done, including the work related to retention, organizational development and change. The goal is to impact external constituents through internal work. He also gave information about the One Minnesota Council, which is a council of commissioners that meets monthly to discuss enterprise-wide issues. Taylor's office also convenes the DEI Liaison Group which is building out a plan to achieve the goals laid out in the One Minnesota Plan. Migdalia Loyola, Deputy Chief of Staff for Public Engagement for the Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan shared the work and the goals from the Public Engagement Department. The goal of the Public Engagement Department is to listen to the community's experiences and ideas, to bring their voices to the policy-making process, and to provide opportunities for input and participation. Council members had questions and comments about equity and inclusion, racial inequities and workplace barriers for people of color, and DBE data. Council members also stressed the importance of disaggregated data as well as the importance of receiving this data and the plan going forward to address inequities faced by people of color.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Bridget Toskey
Recording Secretary