

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE PUBLIC SAFETY, CIVIL RIGHTS & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
February 3, 2016

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:32 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Blong Yang (Chair), Cam Gordon, Kevin Reich, Barbara Johnson, John Quincy and Linea Palmisano (Quorum 4)

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

Chair Yang announced that public hearings on items 1-3 would be continued to the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole, scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2016, beginning at 10 a.m., to afford the public additional opportunity to speak on the reappointments of those charter department heads.

1. Reappointment of Chief of Fire Department (16-00167)

Approving the reappointment by the Executive Committee of John Fruetel to the appointed position of Chief of Fire Department for a two-year term beginning Jan. 4, 2016.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Betsy Hodges, who expressed her appreciation for John Fruetel's leadership and his contributions to the City enterprise during his term as Chief of Fire Department.

John Fruetel, Chief of Fire Department, summarized recent achievements and future goals of the Fire Department.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Ronald Edwards, 1325 Morgan Ave N, Minneapolis
2. Matt Clark, Chief of Police at the University of Minnesota
3. Joe Mattison, Secretary of Minneapolis Firefighters Union Local 82

2. Reappointment of Director of Civil Rights (16-00168)

Approving the reappointment by the Executive Committee of Velma Korbel to the appointed position of Director of Civil Rights for a two-year term beginning Jan. 4, 2016.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Betsy Hodges, who expressed her appreciation for Velma Korbel's leadership and her contributions to the City enterprise during her term as Director of Civil Rights.

Velma Korbel, Director of Civil Rights, summarized recent achievements and future goals of the Department of Civil Rights.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Don Allen, 556 Huset Pkwy, Columbia Heights
 2. Daniel Wolpert, 3811 10th Ave S, Minneapolis
 3. Michelle Gross, president of Communities United Against Police Brutality
 4. Dave Bicking, 4200 Cedar Ave S, Minneapolis
 5. Pam Costain, 3952 12th Ave S, Minneapolis
 6. Claudio Rivera, 3222 Dupont Ave N, Minneapolis
 7. Toni Newborn, 1101 Main St NE, Minneapolis and former employee of the Department of Civil Rights
 8. Don Samuels, 1542 Hillside Ave N, Minneapolis
3. Reappointment of Chief of Police Department (16-00169)

Approving the reappointment by the Executive Committee of Janeé Harteau to the appointed position of Chief of Police Department for a three-year term beginning Jan. 4, 2016.

The Chair afforded the courtesy of the floor to Mayor Betsy Hodges, who expressed her appreciation for Janeé Harteau's leadership and her contributions to the City enterprise during her term as Chief of Police Department.

Janeé Harteau, Chief of Police Department, summarized recent achievements and future goals of the Police Department.

The public hearing was opened.

The following persons spoke:

1. Adrian Thompson, 4025 Oakland Ave, with the Council on Crime & Justice
2. Alisa Clemons, 1500 Gvr, Minneapolis
3. Ronald Edwards, 1325 Morgan Ave N, Minneapolis
4. Matt Clark, Chief of Police at the University of Minnesota
5. John Harrington, with Metro Transit Police Department
6. Shane Zahn, with the Minneapolis Downtown Improvement District
7. Michelle Gross, 4200 Cedar Ave, Minneapolis
8. Dominic Bouza, 4215 Portland Ave S, Minneapolis, with the Salvation Army
9. Dave Bicking, 4200 Cedar Ave, Minneapolis
10. Adriana Cerrillo, 1307 Willow St, Apt. 211, Minneapolis, with the Police Conduct Oversight Commission
11. Dr. Heather Huseb, 41 N 12th St, Minneapolis, Director of Youthlink
12. Lisa Delgado, 1210 James Ave N, Minneapolis
13. Don Samuels, 1542 Hillside Ave N, Minneapolis
14. Sandra Patterson, 3235 Bryant Ave, Minneapolis
15. Asha Long, 1910 Colfax Ave S, with Black Lives Matter Minneapolis
16. Mel Reeves, 1041 James Ave N, Minneapolis
17. Shuanne Johnson, 1825 S 5th St, Minneapolis
18. Dennis Chevery, Sr., 3536 Emerson Ave N, Minneapolis, with the Coalition for Justice for Jamar Clark
19. Jana Metge, with Citizens for a Loring Park Community

On motion by B. Johnson, carried by voice vote, the public hearings related to the reappointment of the Chief of Fire Department, Director of Civil Rights, and Chief of Police Department (reflected in

agenda items 1, 2, and 3 above) were continued to the Committee of the Whole regular meeting of Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

4. Repealing prohibitions about congregating on streets or sidewalks ordinance (16-00073)

Referring to staff the subject matter of an ordinance amending Title 17, Chapter 427 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks: In General, repealing Section 427.220 entitled "Congregating on streets or sidewalks."

On motion by Yang, carried on voice vote, the matter was referred to staff.

5. Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management Committee's 2015 recap by reporting departments and update on "what to expect in" 2016 (16-00110)

1. Office of Emergency Management (Postpone to Feb. 17, 2016)

Postponed from PSCREM on Jan. 20, 2016

Item 5 was postponed, as noticed on the printed agenda.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Reported by Irene Kasper, Committee Coordinator