

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
October 13, 2016

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:35 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Elizabeth Glidden (Chair), Alondra Cano (Vice Chair), Jacob Frey, Andrew Johnson, Barbara Johnson, and Abdi Warsame.

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

1. Contract with FaegreBD Consulting for federal representation services ([16-01401](#))
 1. Receiving and filing Ethics Officer report pursuant to Minneapolis City Ordinance § 15.40(b)(4) related to conflict of interest review of lobbyist's principals and projects required to enter into a contract for federal representation services with FaegreBD Consulting.
 2. Authorizing a contract not to exceed \$114,000 with FaegreBD Consulting for federal representation services in Washington, D.C., from Nov. 1, 2016, through Dec. 31, 2017, with the option to extend the contract on an annual basis, at the sole discretion of the City, for two additional years.

On a motion by Glidden, carried on a voice vote, this matter was approved and referred the Ways & Means Committee.

2. Response to FERC Notice of Availability of draft environmental assessment for Crown Mill Hydroelectric Project ([16-01403](#))
 1. Receiving and filing the draft comments in response to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment for the Crown Mill Hydroelectric Project.
 2. Authorizing the Community Planning and Economic Development Department's Executive Director or the Director's designee to submit comments on behalf of the City about the Draft Environmental Assessment for Crown Mill Hydroelectric Project that are generally consistent with the draft comments filed with the City Council.

On a motion by Glidden, carried on a voice vote, this matter was approved.

3. Update on Federal Issues from United States Representative Keith Ellison ([16-01400](#))

Rep. Ellison will discuss with the committee several issues including but not limited to zero waste, immigration, remittances, transportation, police reform and consumer issues.

Presentation in Committee:

1. United States Representative Keith Ellison

No action taken.

4. Updates on 2016 Legislative Policy Positions and the 2017 Legislative Agenda process ([16-01402](#))

Receiving a status update regarding staff recommended updates to the 2016 Legislative Policy Positions, and an update on the upcoming process to approve the 2017 Legislative Agenda.

Presentation in Committees:

1. Sasha Bergman, Intergovernmental Relations Department

On a motion by Glidden, carried on a voice vote, this matter was received and filed.

5. Federal/State/Local Legislative Update ([16-00500](#))

Receiving and filing verbal report.

Presentation in Committee:

1. None.

Action Taken: None.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

Reported by Kelly Geistler, Committee Coordinator