



Milwaukee County

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Meeting Minutes Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee

Chairperson: Supervisor Anthony Staskunas
Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Sylvia Ortiz-Velez
Supervisor Patti Logsdon
Supervisor Steven Shea
Supervisor Priscilla Coggs-Jones

Committee Coordinator: Allyson R. Smith, 414-278-4225
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Thursday, July 15, 2021

1:30 PM

County Legislative Information Center

VIRTUAL MEETING

This meeting was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center:
<https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Call To Order

Roll Call at 1:31 p.m.

Present 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS - 6

- 1 [21-561](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge Charles Clevert to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-561 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-561 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

APPEARANCE:

Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

The Honorable Judge Charles Clevert, Appointee, participated by telephone and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Appointment be **RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

- 2 [21-562](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge Jean DiMotto to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-562 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-562 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

APPEARANCES:

**Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Margaret C. Daun, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel**

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

- 3 [21-563](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge James A. Gramling, Jr. to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-563 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-563 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

There were no appearances.

The Honorable Judge James A. Gramling, Jr., Appointee, appeared virtually and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Shea that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

- 4 [21-564](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge Charles F. Kahn, Jr. to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-564 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-564 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

There were no appearances.

The Honorable Judge Charles F. Kahn, Jr., Appointee, appeared virtually and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

- 5 [21-565](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge Frederick P. Kessler to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-565 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-565 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

There were no appearances.

The Honorable Judge Frederick P. Kessler, Appointee, participated by telephone and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

- 6 [21-566](#) From the County Board Chairwoman, appointing the Honorable Judge Mary M. Kuhnmuensch to the Milwaukee County Independent Redistricting Committee, for a term beginning June 24, 2021.

Attachments: [21-566 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
 [21-566 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

APPEARANCE:
Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE - 1

- 7 [21-558](#) A resolution/ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to require Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approval for all agreements and partnerships with Milwaukee County support groups **(07/15/21: Laid Over for One Meeting)**

Sponsors: Weishan Jr. and Logsdon

Attachments: [21-558 RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE](#)
 [21-558 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCE:
Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., District 16

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas that this Resolution/Ordinance be LAID OVER FOR ONE MEETING. There being no objections from Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY - 1

- 8 [21-581](#) From the District Attorney, Requesting Permission to Apply for U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance Match Grant Funding to Equip Investigators in the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office with Body-Worn Cameras and to Accept any Grant Award that May Result

Attachments: [21-581 REPORT](#)
 [21-581 RESOLUTION](#)
 [21-581 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCE:
John Chisholm, Milwaukee County District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney

A motion was made by Supervisor Ortiz-Velez that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea, Coggs-Jones and Staskunas

REGISTER OF DEEDS - 1

- 9 [21-623](#) From the Register of Deeds, Office of the Register of Deeds, submitting an informational report regarding the 2020 and 2021 Free Birth Certificate Program **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [21-623 REPORT](#)

APPEARANCE:

Israel Ramon, Milwaukee County Register of Deeds, Office of the Register of Deeds

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK /ELECTION COMMISSION - 1

- 10 [21-579](#) From the Milwaukee County Clerk and the Election Commission, Office of the County Clerk, submitting an informational report to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors providing an overview of voter registration and education efforts in advance of the 2020 Spring and Fall elections. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [21-579 REPORT](#)

APPEARANCES:

George Christenson, Milwaukee County Clerk, Office of the County Clerk
Julietta Henry, Director, Milwaukee County Elections Commission, Office of the County Clerk

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

CORPORATION COUNSEL - 4

CLOSED SESSION (ITEMS 11 THROUGH 14)

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Section 19.85 (1)(g), Wisconsin State Statutes, for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s).

At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary.

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session to discuss items 11 through 14.

- 11 [21-621](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, requesting authorization to commence a large claim civil action against Host International, Inc. **(Referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Finance)**

Attachments: [21-621 REPORT](#)
 [21-621 RESOLUTION](#)
 [21-621 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Margaret C. Daun, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel (OCC)
David Farwell, Assistant Corporation Counsel, OCC

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session to discuss item 11.

A motion was made by Supervisor Shea that this Action Report be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Ortiz-Velez, Logsdon, Shea and Staskunas

Excused: 1 - Coggs-Jones

- 12 [21-578](#) From the Office of Corporation Counsel in response to the referral of File No. 21-76 **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [21-578 REPORT](#)

APPEARANCES:

Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., District 16
Margaret C. Daun, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session to discuss item 12.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN**.

- 13 [21-15](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an informational report regarding the status of pending litigation.
(Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [21-15 JULY REPORT \(received 06/25/21\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Margaret C. Daun, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session to discuss item 13.

The July Report for this Reference File was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

- 14 [21-16](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an informational report regarding claim and litigation settlement payments.
(Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [21-16 JULY REPORT \(received 06/25/21\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Margaret C. Daun, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session to discuss item 14.

The July Report for this Reference File was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

E-COMMENTS

- 15 [21-14](#) eComments submitted to the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 21-14 at the conclusion of each meeting.

There were no appearances.

There were no eComments submitted for the July 15, 2021, meeting.

The July 15, 2021, record of eComments were **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

Length of Meeting: 1:31 p.m. to 3:19 p.m.

Adjourned,

Allyson R. Smith

Committee Coordinator

Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk

Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services is Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before Friday, August 20, 2021, by 5:00 p.m., for the September meeting cycle.