



Milwaukee County

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Meeting Minutes Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee

Chairperson: Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr.
Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Anthony Staskunas
Supervisor Peggy A. West
Supervisor Deanna Alexander
Supervisor Eddie Cullen
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Thursday, April 6, 2017

9:00 AM

Room 201B

Call To Order

Present 4 - Staskunas, West, Alexander and Johnson Jr.

Excused 1 - Cullen

APPOINTMENT - 1

- 1 [17-291](#) From the County Executive, appointing Ms. Christine Hansen to the Milwaukee County Ethics Board for a term expiring April 1, 2023.

Attachments: [17-291 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
[17-291 REVISED APPOINTMENT LETTER \(03/29/17\)](#)
[17-291 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)
[17-291 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

APPEARANCE:

Carly Wilson, Constituent Services Coordinator, Office of the County Executive

Ms. Christine Hansen, Appointee, appeared and spoke in favor of this item.

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

Aye: 4 - Staskunas, West, Alexander and Johnson Jr.

Excused: 1 - Cullen

CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 2

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.

AUDIT SERVICES DIVISION - OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

- 2 [17-324](#) From the Director of Audits, Audit Services Division (ASD), Office of the Comptroller, requesting authorization to retain outside legal counsel through a Professional Services Contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$35,000, concerning ASD's authority under Section 34.095 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, regarding the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office. **(Referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Finance and Audit)**

Attachments: [17-324 REPORT](#)
 [17-324 RESOLUTION](#)
 [17-324 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Jerry Heer, Director of Audits, Audit Services Division (ASD), Office of the Comptroller

Matthew Hart, Audit Forensic Manager, ASD, Office of the Comptroller

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

Aye: 4 - Staskunas, West, Alexander and Johnson Jr.

Excused: 1 - Cullen

CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 3

CORPORATION COUNSEL - 4

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.

Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, opined that it was appropriate to adjourn into closed session to discuss Item 3.

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas to ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Staskunas, West, Alexander and Johnson Jr.

Excused: 1 - Cullen

- 3** [17-310](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, requesting authorization to increase an existing Professional Services Contract with Husch Blackwell (formerly known as Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC) by \$150,000, from \$295,000 to an amount not-to-exceed \$445,000, to represent Milwaukee County and County-related defendants in *Lloyd Johnson v. Milwaukee County*, et al., Case No. 14-C-01408. (Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services for **INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY** per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance and Audit)

Attachments: [17-310 REPORT](#)
 [17-310 RESOLUTION](#)
 [17-310 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCE:
Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

This Action Report was Discussed in Closed Session with **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

The Committee was in closed session from 9:12 a.m. to 9:35 a.m. Upon reconvening at 9:35 a.m., a roll call was taken, and all Committee members were present, with the exception of Supervisor Cullen, who was excused from today's meeting.

- 4 [17-274](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an informational report regarding the conflicts created by Act 55 related to the scope of Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and County Executive authority. **(Considered by the Committees on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Intergovernmental Relations)**
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE) (JSGS 03/09/17: Laid Over for One Meeting)

Attachments: [17-274 REPORT](#)
 [17-274 EXHIBITS \(61 pages\)](#)
 [17-274 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

APPEARANCES:

Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel
Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., District 7

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas that this Informational Report be **RECOMMENDED TO RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE**. Supervisor Staskunas later withdrew the motion.

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas to **CONCUR** with the Committee on Transportation Public Works, and Transit's recommendation that this Informational Report be **RECOMMENDED TO BE RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE**. The motion **FAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Staskunas and Johnson Jr.

No: 2 - West and Alexander

Excused: 1 - Cullen

CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 5

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.

Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, opined that it was appropriate to adjourn into closed session to discuss Item 5.

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas to **ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Staskunas, West, Alexander and Johnson Jr.

Excused: 1 - Cullen

- 5 [17-9](#) From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an informational monthly report regarding the status of pending litigation. **(Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, and Finance and Audit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [17-9 APRIL REPORT](#)

APPEARANCE:

Colleen Foley, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

This Reference File was discussed in open and closed session.

This Reference File was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The Committee was in closed session from 10:28 a.m. to 10:35 a.m. The Committee did not reconvene in open session and adjourned directly from closed session.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - 1

- 6 [17-298](#) From the Director of Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services, providing an informational report regarding the Public Policy Forum report titled "Breaking New Ground? Analyzing the potential for a public-private forensic science center in southeast Wisconsin." **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [17-298 REPORT](#)
 [17-298 PRESENTATION](#)

APPEARANCE:

James Tarantino, Director of Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services

Rob Henken, President, Public Policy Forum, appeared and spoke for information only regarding this item.

Mr. Henken provided an electronic presentation, titled "Breaking New Ground? Analyzing the Potential for a Public-Private Forensic Center in Southeast Wisconsin," which was distributed to Committee members, and is attached to this file.

A motion was made by Supervisor Staskunas that this Informational Report be **RECOMMENDED TO BE RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE**. The motion **FAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Staskunas and Johnson Jr.

No: 2 - West and Alexander

Excused: 1 - Cullen

The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.

Length of Meeting: 9:05 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.

Adjourned,

**Allyson R. Smith
Committee Coordinator
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 MONDAY, May 8, 2017. All original documents and agenda setting copies MUST be in the Committee Coordinator's possession on or before Monday, April 24, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.