

PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

JUNE 1, 2020

A meeting of the Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee was held Monday, June 1, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in via teleconference.

Chairman Caron

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Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. **When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-To-Know Law.**

Alderwoman Kelly called the roll and asked them to state the reason he or she could not attend, confirmed that they could hear the proceedings, and stated who was present with him or her.

The roll call was taken with 4 members of the Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee present: Chairman Caron, Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Cleaver. Alderman Tom Lopez was recorded present after roll call. Alderman Clemons was recorded as absent.

Alderman June M. Caron, Chairman, presided.

Members of the Committee present: Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
Alderman Skip Cleaver

Members of the Committee absent: Alderman Ben Clemons

Also in Attendance: Mayor James Donchess
Alderman Patricia Klee

Alderman Kelly

Alderman Caron, you can hear me, right?

Alderman Caron

Yes, I can and I am here and I am alone and I can hear everyone.

Alderman Cleaver

Here, I am present and I have my daughter with me and we are doing social distancing.

Alderwoman Kelly

Alderwoman Kelly is here, I can hear everyone and I am doing social distancing. So we have three members present.

Alderman Caron

OK and also in attendance is Alderman Klee and His Honor, Mayor Donchess. So we will start with Communications?

COMMUNICATIONS - None

INTERVIEWS

Historic District Commission

Penny Pardoe (New Alternate Appointment)
2 Westray Drive
Nashua, NH 03062

Term to Expire: March 31, 2023

Alderman Caron

Penny Pardoe has withdrawn her recommendation.

Mayor Donchess

Yes, Madam Chair. Ms. Pardoe had some things come up and she decided that she no longer has the time to devote to the Historic District Commission. So with regret, I have to say she can no longer serve so we should just take that off the Agenda on future meetings.

Alderman Caron

Thank you, Mayor, we appreciate that. Ok the next two appointees?

Electric Aggregation Committee

Robert Blaisdell (New Member Appointment)
24 Railroad Square
Nashua, NH 03064-2278

Term to Expire: May 31, 2023

Lawrence Lutton (New Member Appointment)
47 Concord Street
Nashua, NH 03064

Term to Expire: May 31, 2023

Mayor Donchess

I will, if you wish Madam Chair, I can answer introduce Mr. Lutton?

Chairman Caron

Yes, please.

Mayor Donchess

Before doing that, I will just review this Legislation with you a little bit because it has been a while. The New Hampshire Legislature in the last session authorized Community Aggregation of Electric Power. What this means is the Legislature authorized communities to buy power in bulk for all Eversource customers unless those customers decide to drop out. However, a certain procedure has to be followed, which is that the community needs to appoint an Aggregation Committee who look in detail at the issue, and at the reasons, and the pros and cons for making the decision to undertake aggregation. Then they report to the Board of Aldermen, because in the end, the Board of Aldermen needs to approve Aggregation for Nashua and the Governing Body of any community needs to approve an Aggregation project.

Now our Energy Manager, Doria Brown, has been working very hard on this and the developments have been interesting. There are a group of communities who are interested in aggregation and under the leadership of a gentleman up in Lebanon and another in Concord, who have been involved with aggregation in the past. They are working to establish a group of communities, who together would aggregate. In other words, buy power in bulk for all of the communities under a certain arrangement that could be worked out, a governing arrangement that could be worked out. So that is what is being discussed. There have been various meetings, or at least one meeting at the PUC, I think actually two, but one of which I was a part of where the PUC staff and Eversource and some of the Aggregation Advocates have been talking through the details of the regulation that the PUC will issue pursuant to this.

These regulations will address very technical issues such as when you can opt in and out, things like that; and the procedures by which that has to be done, the billing procedures, things like that. In any event, we wish to move forward with the Aggregation Committee and we have two appointments before you and I have talked to a third member, he is not on the Agenda yet but I think will be.

Mr. Lutton is the nominee who is before you. Mr. Lutton, as you can see from his bio, he develops and deploys unified communications and contact center solutions for Avia Corporation, another words he is very technical and that's helpful. I know Mr. Lutton is a very analytical thinker and has a technical background. Given that and his devotion to Nashua, which is very strong, I believe he will be an excellent member of the Aggregation Committee and strongly recommend him for confirmation. With that, I would simply ask Mr. Lutton to tell you a little bit about himself and touch on his interest in being on the Committee.

Chairwoman Caron

Thank you, Mayor. Mr. Lutton?

Lawrence Lutton

Thank you very much for that introduction, Mr. Mayor. I moved to Nashua about 20 years ago, originally to Clock Tower Place and now up on Concord Street, because I wanted to be in a City with a downtown that was walkable. I have really enjoyed living in Nashua now. My background as the Mayor said is very technical. I have been in software for my entire career and from a business perspective I have founded a software company and taken it to a successful initial public offering. So I have experience with the complete life cycle of businesses; I have started a couple of businesses over the years. So I have a strong business aptitude.

In terms of energy, this came up because I have a particularly strong interest in renewable energies and solar energy. When the topic of Aggregation came up, that is something that I was very interested in as well. So the idea of community power, the idea of being able to aggregate our purchasing power, reduce the cost to City residents is something that I am very interested in. I think that's probably a good start. If you've got questions about me, my background and so forth, I would be glad to answer any of them.

Chairman Caron

Ok, thank you. Any questions from committee members?

Alderwoman Kelly

I just have a comment if I could. I just wanted to thank you for coming forward for this position, I think it is going to be a great project for downtown. I am the liaison to the Energy & Environment Committee so we have been talking about this for a little while. So I appreciate your willingness to serve and I think your technical background will come in handy.

Lawrence Lutton

Thank you very much.

Alderman Lopez

Yes, I just wanted to let you know I joined the meeting, this is Tom.

Chairman Caron

Alderman Lopez, welcome. Do you have something for us?

Alderman Lopez

Nope, just wanted to make sure you guys knew that I was here, I know some of you are on the phone.

Chairman Caron

OK, thank you. Alright, if there is nothing else, Mr. Lutton we will be taking up your

Alderman Cleaver

I have a question for the Mayor.

Chairman Caron

I'm sorry, Alderman Cleaver, thank you.

Alderman Cleaver

What is the timeline for the committee? Do you have any thoughts?

Mayor Donchess

We are not totally sure. Of course there has been some delay as a result of the pandemic. But the issue of, and we are calling this Community Choice Power, the issue of Community Choice Power is evolving. When I originally proposed this to the Board of Aldermen, it seemed that we might be, if we were to undertake it, the Community Choice Power that the City might be on its own doing this for Nashua residents. But since that time, this network of other communities, Lebanon is one and there are – Lebanon is a leading community. There are others that are involved and have been talking jointly about trying to develop a multi-community choice power organization. So that will take longer than if we did it on our own, but in the end, will probably result in a more effective project. So I think we have to see how the communities come together.

Also, to some degree, we are subject to the timing of the PUC because they do need to issue regulations and they have not done that yet, although there are meetings where the details of those regulations are being discussed. So within a year I would say this may be underway but it is not going to be – and of course our Committee needs to meet and understand all the issues and formulate their conclusions. But I don't think it'll be much sooner than a year.

Alderman Cleaver

The committee is going to meet ASAP, right?

Mayor Donchess

They are. Now we need a three-member Committee and as soon as we can get them together - Doria is actually in communications with, I believe, Mr. Lutton. Doria the Energy Manager and Mr. Blaisdell and one or both of them have been included with some of the discussions. There have been seminars and other events taking place. There's been some participation by the nominees already. But, yes, they are going to meet, we are going to get them together as soon as we can.

Alderman Cleaver

Thank you very much.

Chairman Caron

Anybody else?

Alderwoman Kelly

Yeah if I could actually ask a question through you to the Mayor.

Chairman Caron

Certainly, Alderwoman Kelly.

Alderwoman Kelly

So some of the things you were just chatting through, I wanted to know if we are looking at aggregating with other communities within a year or so. I know when I talked with Doria last she was saying that she was interested in locking in the rates, because the rates have dropped due to where we are right now. So my questions is would the benefit of going in with a community outweigh the benefits of locking in a lower rate, because of, you know, the situation right now?

Mayor Donchess

Well I think, of course, our Committee can consider that question, but I think right now, to me it looks like combining with the other communities would be very beneficial. Eversource is technically neutral on this and they are certainly cooperating. But there are certain issues with Eversource that need to be worked through in terms of the regulations that the PUC is going to be issuing. Doria has been involved in this in a very extensive way, Doria Brown, the Energy Manager. But things like when the Community Choice Project would need to go into the market to buy electricity, must it correspond with the time when Eversource is doing it? Eversource wants the regulations to provide that we have to go in during the same time period. And I think I am relating this correctly.

The Community Choice Power people would rather not do it that way so that everybody is not in the market at the same time. Things like that need to be worked through and it helps to have the other communities involved, because there are a couple of people, one from Lebanon, whose name is Below, he's actually a State Senator and is involved with the town as well. There's a gentleman in Concord who has been involved with aggregation in the past, who are helping work through these technical issues. They are a very valuable resource for us. So this is a long answer but I am trying to give you some context. It appears it would be better with the other communities for the reasons I've stated. In addition, we really couldn't undertake this now because the PUC still needs to issue their regulations which would govern many of the specific details regarding how the project or how Community Choice Power would actually run.

Alderwoman Kelly

Thank you.

Chairman Caron

OK. You're all set Alderwoman Kelly?

Alderwoman Kelly

I am thank you.

Chairman Caron

OK, anyone else? Ok Mr. Lutton, we will take up your nomination later on in the meeting. And thank you for your willingness to serve on this committee.

Lawrence Lutton

Thank you for considering my nomination and I presume it is time for me to leave.

Mayor Donchess

You can either leave or stay.

Chairman Caron

You can stay.

Mayor Donchess

It won't take long. They'll get to it pretty quickly I think.

Chairman Caron

We will Mayor, thank you. Mayor you have a second nomination, Mr. Robert Blaisdell. Do you have some information and is he here?

Mayor Donchess

He is not here Madam Chair, but he has a very extensive resume. I know the normal procedure for the Committee to interview any applicant and if you wish to stick with that, I certainly don't object to that. But I do throw out the suggestion that Mr. Blaisdell is a very well-known member of the community. He operates the Marzen Group which is a Defense-Related Contractor which is located downtown in Railroad Square. They've been there for many years. His wife owns a downtown business. He has a technical background. I mean obviously he's been running his business for a long time. He is a Veteran. He's been in the Air Force I believe. He has an Engineering Degree, I think. So if, only if, under the circumstances of the COVID-19 Virus and all these remote meetings which are difficult to put together. If the Committee were so disposed, I think he will be a valuable member of the Committee and if you wanted to you could recommend him without the interview. But I certainly understand if you want to meet again and have him come in for the interview.

Chairman Caron

OK, thank you Mayor. I have no problem with changing this up a little. But I would really like some feedback from members of the Committee because we certainly don't want to make a precedent. But because we have not been able to have a meeting for the last two months, if the Committee so wishes to take up Mr. Blaisdell's nomination, I don't have a problem with that. So I'd to hear from the Committee Members.

Alderwoman Kelly

Yes? Thank you, so I think he's very well qualified. I appreciate you bringing him forward. I would feel more comfortable just doing our normal process and interviewing him. I know we originally had some discussion on whether this Committee needed to be formed pretty quickly in order to lock in the rates or whatever, but it sounds like it is going to be a longer process and there is still some learning to do. So I don't see any problem with deferring this until Mr. Blaisdell for joining.

Mayor Donchess

Excuse me for interrupting, but is Mr. Blaisdell, is he on the call, because I got a text that he's trying to log in? Let me check and see if I can confirm that, but apparently, he is not on the call.

Chairman Caron

OK, alright while you are doing that Mayor, I will continue to poll the other Committee members, how is that?

Mayor Donchess

That's fine.

Chairman Caron

Alderman Cleaver, how do you feel?

Alderman Cleaver

I would be fine with moving forward with Mr. Blaisdell's nomination under the circumstances, I am aware of him and he's very well qualified and a good community person in every way. So I would be satisfied with the Mayor's recommendation and move forward.

Chairman Caron

OK, thank you and Alderman Lopez.

Alderman Lopez

My opinion honestly is that I think we should interview him. I think knowing him or being aware of him sets a bad precedent in terms of some people are more privileged than others in terms of being able to access volunteer committees. I mean I don't personally know him, so that's not the case here, but I wouldn't subscribe to that logic. And then if we are looking at it as a COVID-19 issue, I think we should make it a point to meet as often as we need to do City business. So I don't necessarily have anything against Mr. Blaisdell, his resume is extremely impressive. I just don't think it's a good reason for moving this forward, not one that wouldn't blow up in our face later anyway.

Chairman Caron

Ok so let me check ...

Mayor Donchess

Alright Madam Chair, it is possible, I apologize for interrupting again. So Mr. Blaisdell thought it was a Zoom meeting and therefore isn't here yet, but he may, I am being told from Mr. Blaisdell to Mrs. Blaisdell to Cheryl to me but I am hearing that is trying to log in right now.

Chairman Caron

OK, alright, well we can put a hold on that in the motion and move on to the other parts of the Committee Meeting and come back if that's ok with the Committee Members?

Alderwoman Kelly

I'm fine.

Alderman Lopez

Makes sense to me.

Chairman Caron

Alderman Cleaver?

Alderman Cleaver

Inaudible.

Chairman Caron

Ok then let's go to the next part of our Agenda.

APPLICATION TO LICENSE HAWKER'S, PEDDLER'S, ITINERANT VENDOR'S LICENSE - None

Chairman Caron

Unfinished Business?

Alderwoman Kelly

Oh are you going to come to the Appointments by the Mayor completely?

Chairman Caron

Yes, let's come back. OK.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS

R-20-021

Endorsers: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman-at-Large David C. Tencza
Alderman Jan Schmidt
Alderman Skip Cleaver
Alderwoman Linda Harriott-Gathright

ESTABLISHING AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STUDY COMMITTEE

Mayor Donchess

Yes I think with everything going on we really haven't come back to you with more information about that, so I think you should table it and we will try to do something for your next meeting.

Chairman Caron

OK, alright, you heard the discussion, could I have a motion?

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN KELLY TO TABLE R-20-021 BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Cleaver, Alderman Lopez, Alderman Caron
Alderswoman Kelly 4

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES - None

TABLED IN COMMITTEE

O-20-008

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien
Alderman Thomas Lopez

CHANGING THE STARTING TIME OF THE OVERNIGHT PARKING TIME LIMIT RESTRICTION IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS

(tabled at 3-2-20 mtg)

O-20-009, AMENDED

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Richard A. Dowd
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderswoman Linda Harriott-Gathright
Alderman Patricia Klee

RELATIVE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

(tabled at 3-2-20 mtg)

O-20-010

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large David C. Tencza
Alderman Thomas Lopez
Alderman Patricia Klee
Alderman-at-Large Lori Wilshire

CLARIFYING THAT COIN DEALERS ARE NOT SECONDHAND DEALERS

(tabled at 3-2-20 mtg)

Chairman Caron

Mayor, has anybody found Mr. Blaisdell?

Mayor Donchess

Not yet, Madam Chair. I don't know what the issue is, but again, you know it's three-way, Mr. Blaisdell to Ms. Blaisdell to Cheryl to me. So I don't know if information is getting lost. But he should have been on already if he had the right information.

Alderman Lopez

(inaudible)

Chairman Caron

I'm sorry?

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Alderman Lopez

I have a discussion item that we could address and it would be helpful if the Mayor were present for it, so we could talk about that before taking up nominations.

Chairman Caron

Certainly, OK, give him a little more time.

Alderman Lopez

Yeah, my discussion item is pretty important too.

Chairman Caron

Go ahead Alderman Lopez.

Alderman Lopez

Mayor, I was hoping you could give us an update if there is one about – we had had conversations towards the end of last year about organizing a committee to look at mental health issues in the Greater Nashua area. We were particularly concerned about the surge in suicide rates and it was following the suicide of a First Responder. I don't know where minutes for that would be. I was wondering if you could just give us an overview because I can't imagine that things have gotten better with the stay-at-home order and of the unrest we are experiencing. So a little update on that committee and we can see if there is anything we can do to help it?

Mayor Donchess

Well you are right, that's certainly our new set of circumstances has exacerbated the problem. We know, for example, that during this time when we have encouraged health visits, so our employees and other, but employees in our case and consult with medical providers via Zoom and other mechanisms that the number one request for Telehealth visits has to do with mental health issues, depression and things like that. People are really upset and anxious and we all understand why that is because we feel the same things.

In any event, you are right that the issue has increased. Now unfortunately since we met, the COVID-19 virus did hit which has been very consuming. So I can't say that we've made a lot of progress on that, but you've reminded me about it and we need to take it up again and I will pursue that. But I can't report any progress since we kind of met informally and began to work on it earlier in the year.

Alderman Lopez

So you haven't solved all the mental health issues in the City yet.

Mayor Donchess

No I have not.

Alderman Lopez

OK next month?

Chairman Caron

Anything else, Alderman Lopez?

Alderman Lopez

No I just wanted to see where that was at and if there were any kind of steps. I had recently been planning the Tree Streets Block Party to focus on things like adverse childhood experiences. And even I had to ultimately concede that event because of the Governor's Stay-at-Home order. How can I organize a large-scale event, even if I tried to convert it into a drive-in concert kind of a model? That was kind of my hope was to use that as a way to bring people together. I know that there's a lot of other events that are similar like the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention has a walk "Out of The Darkness". The Awareness is Healing, bring awareness to people recovering. We've lost all of that. We've lost even a lot of the peer support programs that are struggling to maintain a platform for their users for use like Facebook which is not great for HIPAA through messenger groups.

People are really struggling and communities are trying to come together but we just need more resources I think. And I am concerned about what this current crisis is going to reveal about one that we already had identified.

Chairman Caron

OK, thank you. Anyone else?

Alderman Klee

Yes, Alderman Caron?

Chairman Caron

Sure, Alderman Klee.

Alderman Klee

Yeah, I want to speak to something that Alderman Lopez has said. I can tell you that through this Pandemic, beyond the I hate to say "normal" suicide, but beyond that I am hearing about people who have either tried to take their lives or who have successfully taken their lives because of this Pandemic. And I've tried to get their family members to do the two on one, or to contact Greater Mental Health, go through NAMI, and different things. So it is hitting much harder than it was prior to the Pandemic and anything that we can do to move it along would be incredible.

Chairman Caron

Ok thank you. Ok any news, Mayor?

Mayor Donchess

No, we are trying to communicate. Cheryl has resent the link but I can't promise anything.

Alderwoman Kelly

Alderwoman Caron?

Chairman Caron

Yes, Alderwoman Kelly?

Alderwoman Kelly

I did also just resend it from my account as well to see if that would help. So I am keeping an eye to see if he gets on.

Chairman Caron

OK, alright. Well in the meantime, why don't we at least put forward the nomination of Mr. Lutton? Would you do that Alderwoman Kelly?

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN KELLY TO RECOMMEND THE CONFIRMATION OF THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT: ELECTRIC AGGREGATION COMMITTEE: LAWRENCE LUTTON (NEW MEMBER) WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 31, 2023, BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Caron, Alderman Lopez,
Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Cleaver 4

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Jim McClain

Pardon Madam Chair, this is a point of order. This is Jim McClain. Mr. Blaisdell called me. Hopefully I gave him the correct information to call into this meeting. So he is currently trying to log in.

Chairman Caron

Thank you. Ok we will wait a few more minutes if that is the pleasure of the Committee?

Alderman Lopez

Yeah, I feel like we owe it to him. The poor guy is trying to get on.

Chairman Caron

Alderman Cleaver?

Alderman Cleaver

Yeah, I feel this is very exciting.

Lawrence Lutton

Well I will take one moment to thank the Committee for confirming my appointment and thank the Mayor for asking me to join.

Chairman Caron

Well thank you and thank you again for agreeing to take part in this Committee.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, Madam Chair, so I got this text, you know the technology is such a struggle on many different occasions. But this is the text, he has tried several times, someone told him to try a different number, he can hear the meeting but you can't hear him.

Chairman Caron

Oh I know what that sounds like.

Mayor Donchess

If I could get him on the phone, you could talk to him through my phone but again we are going through several different people here.

Alderman Klee

It shows him as being logged in.

Chairman Caron

Is that him?

Alderman Klee

He's here. He's muted. Mr. Blaisdell, you are muted.

Robert Blaisdell

Am I muted now?

Chairman Caron

Yay!

Mayor Donchess

Alright!

Robert Blaisdell

Just so everybody understands, I tried TEAMS, I tried ZOOM, I tried the direction in the on-line meeting thing to call the numbers. I heard you but you couldn't hear me on the telephone. So I just got out of work and I apologize for being late.

Mayor Donchess

Alright, well thank you Mr. Blaisdell.

Chairman Caron

OK Mayor you are on.

Mayor Donchess

Madam Chair, I did introduce Mr. Blaisdell to some degree already. He, of course, as I mentioned he's operated a business downtown the Marzen Group for 20 years. He has a very technical background. Marzen is a defense related business. He previously worked for Miter, he's been in the Air Force, he has a Bachelor of Science Degree from Northeastern as well as some post graduate work at BU. He has indicated that he is very interested in doing something for the community and Mr. Blaisdell and I have talked about the concept of Community Choice Power. He is very interested in that concept and would very much like to be on the Committee. I believe he has already at least participated in some seminars and things or listened to some seminars that Doria Brown the Energy Manager introduced him to. So he's really already working on the issue. Therefore, obviously, he's a very strong nominee and I ask the Committee to confirm his nomination, of course. I will turn it over to Mr. Blaisdell to give you a short explanation of his background and his interest in the Committee.

Chairman Caron

Ok, thank you. Mr. Blaisdell, your turn.

Robert Blaisdell

Ok so, I have been the President of Marzen Group now for over 20 years. It's a group that basically does defense work doing various military technology and a lot of scientific missile defense concepts. The reason I am interested in the Committee is I am getting close to my retirement age and I am very much interested in providing something back to the Community. And Energy has always been something I am very interested in, including solar, nuclear, hydro and gas metro-gas related generations. So I am getting as smart as I can prior to being on this Committee and I am very, very interested in participating.

Chairman Caron

Ok, thank you. Do we have any questions from Committee Members? Alderman Cleaver?

Alderman Cleaver

I have no questions at this time.

Chairman Caron

OK, Alderman Lopez?

Alderman Lopez

Yes. First of all I want to say to Mr. Blaisdell thank you for both your offering to be part of this Committee and also your service. After looking at your resume there is one question I would like to ask if possible. What is the deal with me? Every other dog in the world likes me and that one doesn't?

Robert Blaisdell

I'm sorry?

Alderman Lopez

Maeve?

Robert Blaisdell

Oh my dog. I can't speak for my dog.

Alderman Lopez

Well tell her whatever I did, I apologize for it.

Robert Blaisdell

I don't want you to feel like a loner, she likes you or she doesn't in some cases, she doesn't like lots of people. So it's not particular to you.

Alderman Lopez

Alright that's more reassuring. Thank you for being willing to step forward for the City and thank you for putting up with our IT issues. We have been living in this world for like 7 weeks now and we are still not getting it right.

Robert Blaisdell

Well once I'm on its fine.

Alderman Lopez

OK, awesome.

Robert Blaisdell

Thanks.

Chairman Caron

Thank you, Alderman Lopez. Alderman Kelly?

Alderwoman Kelly

I also wanted to thank you for stepping forward for this Committee. I think it is going to be an interesting group of people on the Committee. I also think it has a lot of potential for the City. I had a couple of comments, mostly comments, I am glad that I finally know what your company does. I see it every single day and had no idea what you did, so now I do. I appreciate that you went to my Alma Mata for Post-Graduate work. And I want to thank you for already putting the time in and doing some work before you were even put on the Committee. I think that shows a great passion, so thank you.

Robert Blaisdell

You're welcome.

Chairman Caron

That's it Alderman Kelly?

Alderwoman Kelly

That's all I got, yes.

Chairman Caron

Ok, well Mr. Blaisdell we appreciate you working really hard to get to be heard on the Committee and we are almost done, so your nomination will be coming up shortly and the final approval will be next Tuesday at the Full Board Meeting. As the other Committee Members have said, we thank you very much for offering to sit on this new Committee and we know you will bring a lot of insight and ideas to that Committee. Thank you.

Robert Blaisdell

Thank you.

Alderman Cleaver

This is Alderman Cleaver; I just have one comment.

Chairman Caron

Certainly, Alderman Cleaver.

Alderman Cleaver

Yes. I want to thank Mr. Blaisdell for offering to serve on the Committee. We really appreciate it. And just to clarify the final approval will be a board meeting a week from tomorrow.

Robert Blaisdell

A week from – I'm sorry Sir. I didn't hear what you said.

Alderman Cleaver

A week from tomorrow.

Robert Blaisdell

Ok thank you.

Chairman Caron

OK Alderman Kelly, do I have a motion?

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN TO RECOMMEND THE CONFIRMATION OF THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT: ELECTRIC AGGREGATION COMMITTEE: ROBERT BLAISDELL (NEW MEMBER) WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 31, 2023 BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Caron, Alderman Cleaver,
Alderman Lopez, Alderwoman Kelly 4

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

REMARKS BY THE ALDERMEN - None

POSSIBLE NON-PUBLIC SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY ALDERWOMAN KELLY TO ADJOURN BY ROLL CALL

A viva voce roll call was taken which resulted as follows:

Yea: Alderman Caron, Alderman Lopez,
Alderwoman Kelly, Alderman Cleaver 4

Nay: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
Committee Clerk