

Blue Ribbon Commission

Minutes

February 22, 2019

11:00 am

Historic Metropolitan Courthouse
One Public Square
Suite 205
Committee Room 2
Nashville, TN 37201

Members Present: Emily Evans, Gracie Porter, John Cooper, Dave Goetz, Stan Romine, Margaret Darby, Brad Rayson, Tanaka Vercher and DJ Woodson

Members Absent: VM Jim Shulman and Tracy Kane

The meeting was called to order by Chair Evans at 11:00 am CST.

The Chair notified the public of their appeal rights.

The Chair asked for an update on department discussions.

Mr. Goetz asked for an electronic grid for completing department inquiries. CM Cooper indicated that his discussion at Fire indicated that the department is considering fees for fire inspections for AirBnB. Fire is also looking at ambulance fee reimbursement.

Ms Porter indicated that she and Mr. Goetz had met with Mr. North at MNPS. Schools has many performance measures, lots of deferred capital investment.

Mr. Rayson indicated that special events fees were being reviewed and coordinated with Finance.

The Chair relayed her conversation with MPC which has been imposing fees based on old fee study. Employee retention is difficult due to the demands of the job.

The Chair indicated that there was new list of public submission.

The Chair then introduced Nancy Whittemore who gave a presentation on how General Services drives cost savings and efficiencies. Members asked a number of questions about building operations, fleet and internal service fees.

CM Cooper indicated that he was going to introduce a "placeholder" charter amendment that would require the Finance Department to use performance metrics and program efficacy analysis in its budget development.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:13pm