

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
March 3, 2016

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:38 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Member Alondra Cano (Vice Chair), Jacob Frey, Barbara Johnson, and Abdi Warsame

Members Absent: Council Members Elizabeth Glidden (Chair), and Andrew Johnson.

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

1. Conflict of interest review for lobbyist firms
 1. Receiving and filing the Ethics Officer Report related to conflict of interest review of lobbyist's principals and projects. ([16-00319](#))
 2. Authorizing waiver of conflict of interest for Fredrikson & Byron to provide governmental affairs services for the City. ([16-00320](#))

On motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

2. Amendment to City of Minneapolis Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Federal Policies Agenda ([16-00321](#))
 1. Authorizing an amendment to the FY2015 Federal Policies Agenda to include a policy position recommending that the federal Center for Disease Control be authorized by Congress to conduct research on firearms safety and violence prevention.
 2. Passage of Resolution supporting Congressional funding for gun violence research.

Presentation in Committee:

1. Gene Ranieri, Director, Department of Intergovernmental Relations Committee

On motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

3. Updates to City of Minneapolis' 2016 Policy Positions and Legislative Agenda ([16-00322](#))
 1. Approving staff-recommended updates to the City of Minneapolis' 2016 Policy Positions as follows:
 1. In the Local Government Finance section, on page 3, modify the following statement as follows: "Diversification of revenue sources and investment options available to local governments, including cities."
 2. In the Capital Bonding section, on page 3, delete "\$609,000" and insert "\$1.029 million"
 3. In the Transportation and Transit System Funding section on page 4, insert the following language: "The City supports full state funding for the I-35W and Lake Street Transit/Access project, which will leverage significant federal resources, ensure the timely completion of other related projects, and increase access to jobs and educational opportunities through improved and expanded transit service to currently underserved communities in Minneapolis."
 4. Any related formatting/technical changes needed as a result of these modifications
 2. Approving staff-recommended updates to the City of Minneapolis' 2016 Legislative Agenda as follows:

1. In the Capital Investment section, delete "\$609,000" and insert "\$1.029 million"
2. In the Transportation section, add a new statement as follows "The City supports full state funding for the I-35W and Lake Street Transit/Access project, which will leverage significant federal resources, ensure the timely completion of other related projects, and increase access to jobs and educational opportunities through improved and expanded transit service to currently underserved communities in Minneapolis."
3. Any related formatting/technical changes needed as a result of these modifications.
Presentation in committee:
 1. Melissa Lesch, Department of Intergovernmental RelationsOn motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.
4. Updates to the City of Minneapolis' 2016 Policy Positions - Public Safety Section ([16-00327](#))
Approving staff-recommended updates to the City of Minneapolis' 2016 Policy Positions, Public Safety Section as outlined in amended policy position document.
Presentation in committee:
 1. Melissa Lesch, Department of Intergovernmental RelationsOn motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.
5. Federal Housing Policy Related to Sale of Non-Performing Loans (mortgages) by federal agencies ([16-00323](#))
Approving a resolution requesting the Federal Housing Finance Agency to provide the City of Minneapolis with information about delinquent mortgages in the city and requesting an expansion of its sales to public agencies, nonprofits and small investors, and also requesting that federal agencies hold off on further sales to investors.
Presentation in Committee:
 1. Gene Ranieri, Director, Department of Intergovernmental Relations
 2. Andrea Brennan, Director, Housing Policy and DevelopmentOn motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.
6. Amending Federal Aviation Policy Positions to include opposition to the privatization of Air Traffic Control ([16-00324](#))
Authorizing an amendment to the Federal Aviation Policy Positions adopted in March, 2015, to include a statement that the city supports "maintaining Air Traffic Control (ATC) within the purview of FAA and opposes privatization of ATC."
Presentation in Committee:
 1. Gene Ranieri, Director, Department of Intergovernmental Relations
 2. Council Member John QuincyOn motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.
7. Federal/State/Local legislative updates
Receiving and filing verbal report.
Presentation in Committee:

1. Gene Ranieri, Director, Department of Intergovernmental Relations

1. Melissa Lesch, Department of Intergovernmental Relations

On motion by Cano, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Reported by Kelly Geistler, Committee Coordinator