



Responsible Employer Ordinance Monitoring Committee

36 Court Street

Springfield, MA 01108

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Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Maureen Vear

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

12:30 PM

City Hall -- Room 310

I. Call to Order

12:30 PM Meeting called to order on June 6, 2017 at City Hall -- Room 310, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Melvin A. Edwards	Chairperson	Present	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Patrick Sullivan	Committee Member	Present	
Fiore Grassetti	Committee Member		

II. Public Portion

1. Accept minutes of the May 23, 2017 meeting

Mr. Edwards called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Allen.

VOTED: To accept the minutes of the May 23, 2017 meeting.

Motion carried by voting in favor Members Mr. Grassetti, Mr. Sullivan.

2. Request for Waiver: Cleveland Electric for GENDER, RESIDENCY & MINORITY Public Day School and STEM Middle Academy Project

The Committee heard a Request for Waiver from **Cleveland Electric** for a waiver of the **Gender, Residency & Minority** requirement on the STEM Middle Academy Project.

It was moved by Mr. Grassetti, seconded by Mr. Sullivan.

VOTED: To grant the request for waiver of the **Gender Residency & Minority** requirement on the STEM Middle Academy Project.

Motion carried by voting in favor Members Mr. Grassetti, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Allen & Mr. Edwards.

3. Request for Waiver: Walch & Co. Inc. for GENDER & MINORITY at Public Day School

The Committee heard a Request for Waiver from **Walch & Co., Inc.** for a waiver of the **Gender & Minority** requirement on the Public Day School.

It was moved by Mr. Grassetti, seconded by Mr. Allen and Mr. Edwards.

VOTED: To grant the request for waiver of the **Gender & Minority** requirement on the

Public Day School. The committee felt the Company actively reached out to numerous agencies. They would like them to continue to correspond with Hope Button for the other two projects.

Motion carried by voting in favor Members Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Allen and Mr. Edwards.

4. Request for waiver: Kleeberg Sheet Metal for GENDER, RESIDENCY & MINORITY at Paul J. Fenton Public Safety Annex

The committee was given a request waiver from **Kleeberg Sheet Metal** for **Gender, Residency & Minority** at Paul J Fenton Public Safety Annex .

Motion carried by voting in favor Mr. Sullivan and second by Mr. Grassetti.

The committee reviewed the documents that were sent to Hope Button and they determined that the company made a good effort to reach out and comply with the requirements.

VOTED: To grant the request for waiver of the **Gender & Residency & Minority** at Paul J Fenton Public Safety Annex .

It was moved by Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Grassetti and Mr. Edwards. Mr. Allen would prefer if the contractor was present when requesting waivers.

5. Request for Waiver: East Coast Erectors for GENDER & RESIDENCY at STEM Middle Academy Project

The Committee heard a request for Waiver from **East Coast Erectors** for **Gender & Residency** at STEM Middle Academy.

It was moved by Mr. Sullivan.

VOTED: To not grant the request for waiver of the **Gender & Residency** at STEM Middle Academy. Mr. Grassetti didn't care for the recruitment add. He felt the criteria was too much for a couple of weeks project.

Motion Failed.

6. Request for Waiver: Lockheed Windor Corp. for GENDER, RESIDENCY & MINORITY at South End Community Center

The Committee heard a Request for Waiver from **Lockheed Window Corp.** for **Gender, Residency & Minority** at South End Community Center.

It was moved by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Grassetti.

VOTED: To grant the request for waiver of the **Gender, Residency & Minority** at South End Community Center. The committee felt they made a good effort.

Motion carried by voting in favor Members Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Grassetti.

III. Discussion of REO Policies

Mr. Edwards spoke with Attorney Pikula in reference to having a lawyer present at the REO

meetings. Mr. Pikula was very receptive to the committees request for legal representation at the meetings. Attorney Tom Moore will be introducing an Attorney from the Law Department to assist with the meetings.

A letter was drafted by the Law Department and sent out to the Mayor's office as to the concern of the absent committee member.

Mr. Edwards suggested to have a special meeting to continue review of the REO ordinance. This would allow ample time to discuss solely REO issues.

The committee would also like to limit the amount of Waivers to no more than three for each meeting.

The committee felt confident that the REO is making great strides with continued enforcement of the REO requirements.

1. Continue to review the Senior Center at Blunt Park project.

Committee members reviewed the numbers for this project and was concerned with the numbers of subcontractors that are not in compliance. This leads to the suggestion of a special meeting to discuss new criteria going forward.

IV. Public Speak out - 10 Minutes