City Council

Motion without Notice

MM7.33	ACTION			Ward:All
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Amending the Terms of Reference for the Tenant Issues Committee - by Councillor Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.
- * This Motion is subject to a re-opening of Item EX2.1. A two-thirds vote is required to reopen that Item. If re-opened, the previous Council decision remains in force unless Council decides otherwise.

Recommendations

Councillor Josh Matlow, seconded by Councillor Joe Mihevc, recommends that:

- 1. City Council amend the Terms of Reference for the Tenant Issues Committee by adding to Part 1 of Section C. Governance, the words "or the appropriate Standing Committee as determined by the City Clerk" after the words "Executive Committee" so that Part C.1. now reads:
 - "C. Governance
 - 1. The Tenant Issues Committee will provide its advice to City Council through the Executive Committee, or the appropriate Standing Committee as determined by the City Clerk."

Summary

The Tenant Issues Committee was established as a cross-jurisdictional Committee to consider and offer advice on, among other matters, reports to Standing Committees. Due to this crossjurisdictional nature, the Terms of Reference stated that the Tenant Issues Committee will provide advice to the Executive Committee.

The requirement to provide advice through the Executive Committee is problematic because it could result in two, possibly contradictory, sets of recommendations on the same item before Council as the Tenant Issues Committee has also been tasked with providing advice on matters before Standing Committees. This Motion seeks to address this problem by amending the Committee's Terms of Reference so that the Tenant Issues Committee will provide its advice to the Executive Committee, or the appropriate Standing Committee, as determined by the City Clerk.

This Motion is urgent as the first meeting of the Tenant Issues Committee is scheduled for June 18, 2015.

REQUIRES REOPENING:

Item EX 2.1, headed "Council Advisory Bodies for the 2014 to 2018 Term of City Council" adopted by City Council on February 10 and 11, 2015, only as it pertains to the reporting direction under C(1) of the Terms of Reference for the Tenant Issues Committee.

Background Information (City Council)

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