Committee on General Government

April 20, 2022 Draft minutes

Topic: General Government Committee Meeting

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Agenda

• ORDR00319_02_14_2022 Kelly School Fund Orders

• COMM00404_04_11_2022 KP Law Opinion RE: Property Disposition and Votes

Committee members in attendance: Councillor Vogel, Councillor Zeid, Councillor Shand

Councillor Khan present, Cameron

Chief of Staff Levine present

Atty Reich joined via zoom to discuss COMM00404

Discussed email from McCauley's question regarding KP Law opinion noted in COMM00404_04_11_2022.

Prior opinion on KP Law Opinion on Property Disposition and Votes

- Discussed prior ORDR074_08_29_16, the disposition of the Kelly School Property ORDR319 02 14 2022.
- Original order required a super majority vote as it addressed disposition of the Kelly School Property where as the funds only require a simple majority

Original order was transferring the property for purpose of disposition. Ch40 15A, requires 2.3 vote to approve transfers.

Once sold CH44 section 63, the use of the funds only requires a simple majority.

SZ: Brings up concern, if an original decision is made with 8 votes, any subsequent votes should also require 8 votes. Concern in coming months on items requiring 8 votes.

BV: Thinks there are ways to look at the Kelly School fund transfer, the argument is what was the original intent for attaching funds to NYS. Correcting for ways to allocate the funds.

AK: Speaks to the funds and how they should be allocated to NYS based on what parents tell her about.

Discussion went back and forth over what's fair for the funds. Brown School still needs investment. NYS needs funding.

Discussion ends with agreement to allow Budget and Finance and Planning and Development to continue to discuss the transfers in committee.

Public Comment: Jane Snow 9 Coffin Street – Read through all the documentation available and it gets more difficult to find and figure out all the issues going on and how there needs to be some focus on NYS.

ORDER 319 stays in committee while other B&F and P&D meetings occur. Next meeting on May 2 to vote on order.

Committee adjourns.