

MINUTES

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

5:23 PM

Public Services Committee Carnegie Town Hall

235 West 10th Street

Members Present: Council Member Kenny Anderson, Jr., Council Member Christine M. Erickson, Council Member Michelle Erpenbach, and Council Member Kermit L. Staggers

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Tamara Jorgensen, MMC, Assistant City Clerk; Tom Greco, City Clerk; David Bixler, Budget Analyst; and Jim David, Legislative/Operations Manager

1. Call To Order

Committee Chair Christine M. Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:23 p.m.

2. Review and approval of Minutes dated November 10, 2015

A motion was made by Michelle Erpenbach and seconded by Kenny Anderson Jr. to approve the minutes. Erickson called for a voice vote. All members voted yes.

Motion Passed.

3. The Compass Center by Michelle Markgraf, Executive Director

Michelle Markgraf, Executive Director of the Compass Center, provided an overview of their organization and reviewed the following PowerPoint slides: About Us: Our Mission; About Us: Our History; About Us: Our Funding; About Us: Our Staff; Domestic Violence; Sexual Assault; Statistics (Nationally, South Dakota and Sioux Falls); Services for Survivors; Services for Offenders; the Equality and the Power and Control Circles; and Our Impact. Discussion followed.

4. South Dakota Board of Massage Therapy by Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary

Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary for the South Dakota Board of Massage Therapy, reviewed the following PowerPoint slides: Board's Mission; Board's Members; Board's History; State Licensee Trends/Requirements; Board's Role; Massage Therapy/Practice Definition; Unlicensed Practice; Proposed Changes to State Law (HB 1027); Concepts Considered - Not Proposed; Collaboration Opportunities; and Statewide Licensure.

Massage therapists Veronika Ludewig and Rhanda Heller spoke regarding illegal massage activity in Sioux Falls. Suggestions were made on how to improve the existing procedures and ordinances. Discussion followed.

Jill Franken, Health Director, and Matt Burns, Chief of Police provided additional input. Franken stated she thought the existing regulations were working and additional regulations are not necessary at this time.

Burns stated that the Police Department is working on these issues on a complaint basis and have been very successful. He stressed the importance of continuing communication with the massage licensing board.

5. Open Discussion

There was none.

6. Adjournment

Committee Chair Christine M. Erickson adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Tamara Jorgensen, MMC

Assistant City Clerk