Board of Aldermen Committee Minutes

Date: 5/11/15 Chair: Allaire Convened: 5:30 Adjourned: 6:40

Committee				
	☒	Charter & Ordinance	☐	Public Works
	☐	Community Development	☐	Recreation
	☐	Finance	☐	Intermunicipal
	☐	General	☐	Special Liquor
	☐	Public Safety	☐	Human Resource

Committee Members Present				
	☒	Dave Allaire	☐	Jon Skates
	☐	Chris Ettori	☐	Ed Larson
	☒	Gary Donahue	☒	William Notte
	☒	Sharon Davis	☐	Chris Siliski
	☐	Tom DePoy	☐	Matt Bloomer
	☐	Melinda Humphrey		

Others Present					
	☐	Dave Allaire	☐	Gary Donahue	☐ Mayor Louras
	☐	Chris Ettori	☐	William Notte	☐ Treasurer Wilton
	☐	Sharon Davis	☐	Ed Larson	☐ Attorney Romeo
	☐	Tom DePoy	☐	Chris Siliski	☐ Other_____
	☒	Melinda Humphrey	☐	Matt Bloomer	☐ Other_____
	☐	Jon Skates	☐		☐ Other_____

Motions/Discussion

The committee heard from William Talbot, who requested the issue be referred.

Mr. Talbot rents an apt. in city. There is prohibition on smoking inside building, but not on grounds. He has a young son living with him. Mr. Talbot contends other tenant smoke on grounds and the smoke comes in open windows and he is subjected to second-hand smoke.

The committee was split on the one hand this is a landlord/tenant issue. Some committee members wished to investigate the issue further, perhaps crafting a solution involving the ability for a tenant to break a lease if a smoking prohibition is not carried out by the landlord/tenant agreement.

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The Chair suggested a two-pronged approach. The Chair will reach out to local Vt. Rental Prop. Owner Assoc. to seek input from their organization.

Second, Ald. Bloomer will consult w/ City Atty. to see if there is a way forward via ordinance, that would be in sync w/ State Statute, and enforceable.

No action was taken.

The issue will stay in committee

Information only.