

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION MINUTES

Representative Sandra Masin, Chair of the Division on Local Government, called the virtual meeting to order at 8:30 AM on March 23, 2022 pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom and House Public Information Services.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

Masin, Sandra, Chair  
Elkins Steve, Vice Chair  
Quam, Duane, Republican Lead  
Berg, Kaela  
Boldon, Liz  
Huot, John  
Mekeland, Shane  
Olson, Bjorn  
Youakim, Cheryl

A quorum was present.

Lead Quam moved that the minutes from March 16, 2022 be adopted. THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Masin moved that HF 4221 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections.

Representative Nelson, M. presented HF 4221, A bill for an act relating to local government; permitting the Hennepin Board of County Commissioners to set reasonable allowances for expenses or a per diem allowance for members of boards or agencies.

Testifiers:

- Angela Conley, Hennepin County Commissioner

Chair Masin renewed her motion that HF 4221 be re-referred to State Government Finance and Elections Committee.

Chair Masin requested a roll call on HF 4221.

AYES  
Masin  
Elkins  
Quam  
Berg  
Boldon

Huot  
Mekeland  
Olson

EXCUSED  
Youakim

There being 8 AYES, and 1 EXCUSED, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Elkins moved that HF 4141 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections.

Vice Chair Elkins presented HF 4141, A bill for an act relating to local government; adding conforming industrialized or modular buildings for residential use to the structures that may not be prohibited by regulation.

Testifiers:

- Mary Tingerthal, Former Commissioner of Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Vice Chair Elkins renewed the motion that HF 4141 be re-referred to State Government Finance and Elections Committee.

Vice Chair Elkins requested a roll call on HF 4141.

AYES  
Masin  
Elkins  
Quam  
Berg  
Boldon  
Huot  
Mekeland  
Olson  
Youakim

There being 9 AYES, and 0 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Elkins moved that HF 4271 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections.

Vice Chair Elkins presented HF 4271, A bill for an act relating to local government; increasing the threshold for municipal reporting of construction-related and development-related fee collections; requiring the commissioner of labor and industry to establish a cost per square foot valuation of certain properties for the purpose of setting municipal building permit fees.

Testifiers:

- Nick Erickson, Housing First Minnesota
- Scott McLellan, Director of Construction Codes and Licensing, DOLI

Representative Mekeland moved the A1 amendment.

Representative Mekeland requested a roll call on the A1 amendment.

AYES

Quam  
Mekeland  
Olson

NAYES

Masin  
Elkins  
Berg  
Boldon  
Hout  
Youakim

There being 3 AYES and 6 NAYES, THE MOTION FAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS NOT ADOPTED.

Vice Chair Elkins renewed the motion that HF 4271 be re-referred to State Government Finance and Elections Committee.

Vice Chair Elkins requested a roll call on HF 4271.

AYES

Masin  
Elkins  
Quam  
Berg  
Boldon  
Huot  
Mekeland  
Olson  
Youakim

There being 9 AYES, and 0 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Vice Chair Elkins assumes the gavel at 9:07 AM.

Chair Masin moved that HF 4441 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections.

Chair Masin presented HF 4441, A bill for an act relating to local government; amending the conditions for participation in an open meeting from a nonpublic location; amending Minnesota Statutes 2021 Supplement.

Testifiers:

- Kathleen Gaylord, Dakota County Commissioner
- Irene Kao, League of Minnesota Cities
- Matt Ehling, Minnesota Coalition on Government Information
- Matt Massman, MICA

Chair Masin renewed the motion that HF 4441 be re-referred to State Government Finance and Elections Committee.

Chair Masin requested a roll call on HF 4441.

AYES

Masin

Elkins

Berg

Boldon

Huot

Youakim

NAYES

Quam

Mekeland

Olson

There being 6 AYES, and 3 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

Chair Masin assumed the gavel at 9:30 AM.

Chair Masin moved that HF 4345 be re-referred to the Committee on State Government Finance and Elections.

Representative Albright presented HF 4345, A bill for an act relating to local government; providing additional investment authority for certain self-insurance pools; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes.

Representative Youakim moved the A3 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Testifiers:

- Gary Carlson, League of Minnesota Cities

Representative Youakim moved the A1 amendment. THE MOTION PREVAILED. THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.

Chair Masin renewed the motion that HF 4345, as amended, be re-referred to State Government Finance and Elections Committee.

Chair Masin requested a roll call on HF 4345.

AYES  
Masin  
Elkins  
Quam  
Berg  
Boldon  
Huot  
Mekeland  
Olson  
Youakim

There being 9 AYES, and 0 NAYES, THE MOTION PREVAILED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 AM.

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Representative Sandra Masin, Chair

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Joshua Kilgard, Committee Legislative Assistant