

**Legislative & Nominating
Committee Minutes**
April 6, 2022



MEMBERS
Councilor April Fournier, Chair
Mayor Kate Snyder
Councilor Pious Ali

I. ZOOM INFORMATION:

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II. Call to Order

Chair April Fournier called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM

Councilor April Fournier (Chair), Mayor Kate Snyder, Senator Heather Sanborn, Representative Sam Zager, Representative Barbara Wood, Representative Rachel Talbot Ross, Representative Michael Brennan, Representative Grayson Lookner, Representative Mike Sylvester, Dena Libner (Chief of

Staff), Kristen Dow (Director of Health and Human Services), Sheba Brown (Executive Office Manager), Kate Knox (Bernstein Shur), Alysia Melnick (Bernstein Shur), and Chris Feeney (Bernstein Shur) were in attendance. Councilor Pious Ali joined the meeting at 8:15 AM. Danielle West (Interim City Manager) joined the meeting at 8:30 AM

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2022

Mayor Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2022 meeting, seconded by Chair Fournier, vote (2-0)

IV. Portland Delegation & Committee Discussion

a. General Assistance (GA) Issues

Chair Fournier introduced the issues and set the topics for discussion, specifically L.D. 910 and the City's resettlement efforts.

i. Update on LD 910 (An Act To Amend the General Assistance Laws Governing Reimbursement)

Kate Knox discussed the legislation and noted the Delegation's work in pushing this legislation forward.

ii. FYI: Letter to the Appropriations Committee, from the City of Portland

b. Resettlement Efforts

The Committee and Delegation discussed the City's resettlement efforts and the potential effects of funding LD 910, with input from Kristen Dow.

c. Confirming Date for Next Committee/Delegation Meeting

The Committee and Delegation determined that they will plan to hold their next meeting on the last Tuesday in May, and will continue to meet monthly during the recess/district work period.

d. Looking Ahead: FEMA funding to end June 2022

This item was read, no action taken.

V. Other Business

a. Legislative Update (Bernstein Shur)

VI. Adjournment

Mayor Snyder made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Ali, vote (3-0)

