



Special Communications Committee – Board of Representatives

Bob Lion, Chair Nina Sherwood, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2019
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Democratic Caucus Room, 4th Floor Government Center, 888
Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT

The Communications Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Lion and Committee Member Reps. Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky. Absent or excused were Reps. Michelson, Moore and Morson.

Chair Lion called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. C30.015	REVIEW; Establish Rules for the Use of City-Collected Email List By Board of Representatives Members and Other Elected Officials and Departments and Boards. 03/04/19 – Submitted by Rep. Lion 03/21/19 – Report Made & Held	REPORT MADE
3. C30.018	RESOLUTION; Relating to Email List Compilation and Use. 05/08/19 – Submitted by Rep. Lion	

The Committee discussed Item Nos. 1 and 3 together:

- Has this policy been compared to the rules of the 29th Board? Some of that language might be useful
- The purpose of this resolution is to address how the list should be used
- Whether this resolution captures what the Committee discussed last month. The committee reviewed the [minutes](#) from the 4/16/19 meeting. The agreement from the prior month to permit representatives to share their opinions was added to the proposed resolution; the Committee can ask Corporation Counsel about any legal issues with this inclusion
- Would constituents be deluged with information from all elected officials or should this be limited to Board of Representatives members

A motion to amend the Whereas Clause to delete “and its constituent departments and boards” was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Lion, Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor).

A motion to amend Paragraph 1 to add “collection and” prior to “maintenance” was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Lion, Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor).

A motion to amend Paragraph 5 to change “shall” in the first line to “may” was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Lion, Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor).

A motion to amend Paragraph 5 to change “shall have the ability” in the third line to “may” was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Lion, Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor).

A motion to approve the resolution, as amended. was made and seconded and approved by a vote of 5-0-0 (Reps. Lion, Matherne, Nabel, Sherwood and Zelinsky in favor).

Committee members continued to discuss this item and whether or not to delete the references to residents on the floor at the Board meeting. The remaining members of the Committee did not think this item should be considered at the full Board meeting and that it should be returned to the Committee for the following month.

2. C30.017 REVIEW; Establishment and Administration of a Report Made &
Board of Representatives Facebook Page, Including Held
what Information Would be Included.
03/04/19 – Submitted by Rep. Lion
03/21/19 – Report Made & Held

Committee members discussed the time that this would take and the possibility of needing to amend the job descriptions for the positions in the office

Chair Lion adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Lion, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).