

**Structural Change Impact Group
Consolidation, Regionalization & Outsourcing Working Group**

Minutes
January 20, 2022
Meeting conducted via Zoom

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BELMONT, MA**

DATE: February 16, 2022
TIME: 9:02 AM

Members present: Aaron Pikcilingis, Paul Rickter, Mark Paolillo

Members absent: Brian Antonellis

Other attendees: Larry Link

Meeting was called to order at 8:16am.

Review of Reports

Working group members agreed to send idea writeups to the entire group when they are ready for consideration.

Minutes

The minutes of the December 17, 2021 meeting were approved. Moved: Paolillo, Seconded: Rickter, Voted: 3-0

Discussion on Ideas

The working group discussed various ideas and the status of write-ups for these ideas. All items are identified by their ID numbers and are included in the committee idea matrix posted at <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/b64yoe9y05lnwzb/AAB5iDttndB5Pfik6Wzo5Qgva?dl=0>.

- ID 9 (Regionalization of Fire Suppression services) - this idea will be done as a child of the parent issue ID 330 (Regionalize Police and Fire services). Pikcilingis will write up this idea.
- ID 16 (Outsource non-value added services) - the working group discussed the complexities of using contractors to handle plumbing issues (which are sometimes minor) vs. hiring a staff plumber. In addition, the challenge of trying to find a municipality with which to share a tree warden was discussed.
- ID 2 (Group Purchasing) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter and made some suggested edits.
- ID 346 (Get More Collins Center Help) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter.
- ID 189 (Reorganize Accounting Department) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter.
- ID 201 (Open Marijuana Retail Dispensaries) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter. He will add details about justifying the community impact fee and real estate valuation.

- ID 410 (Rebuild the Library) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter. He will add past capital budget numbers and add details about the 10 year scope of financial impact used in considering ideas vs. the greater financial impact of this idea in a 50 year scope.
- ID 79 (Combine Higginbottom and Underwood Pool Operations) - the working group reviewed the writeup by Rickter. He will add a note about the fact that the rink is on school land but operated by the recreation dept.

Next meeting: January 28 at 8:00am.

Adjourned at 9:30am (Moved: Rickter, Seconded: Paolillo, Voted 3-0)

Minutes recorded by Paul Rickter