



Observer Reporting Form

Feature Evaluated	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting started on time?	X		
All members present?		X	Duane Grieve absent due to illness. Mayor Haslam arrived late. Vice Mayor Bob Becker presided until Mayor Haslam arrived.
Members attentive?	X		
Did members appear to have done their "homework?"	X		
Were members courteous to each other and the public?	X		
Agenda sent/posted 72 hours before?	X		However, 11o resolution was added to agenda after website posting.
Agenda items clearly described what was to be discussed?	X		
Adequate opportunity for public input?	X		Urban Hen Coalition had 3 speakers in favor of chicken ordinance, 1 speaker against
Was there an appearance that some action items were discussed in closed rather than open session?		X	
Was background information available to the public?	X		News Sentinel article morning of council meeting on Chicken Ordinance
Facilities adequate? (room size, lighting, ventilation, speakers audible, accessible to handicapped)	X		

Were any issues on the agenda relevant to LWV positions or programs? Council approved on second-reading the East County Sector Plan. Resolution 11o failed on lack of second which expressed limitations upon City Council's adoption of the East Sector Plan noting Council's concerns about certain issues associated with the adoption of the plan (see city council obs. report 6/1/10). Councilwoman Roddy stated that she felt council had made themselves clear that they are only adopting the city's sector plan and not endorsing the county plan.

Do you recommend League action on any of these issues? None at this time

Other: Much discussion and public input regarding ordinance to allow residents to keep a limited # domesticated chickens on a noncommercial basis. Council took this issue very seriously eventually passing ordinance on 1st reading with amendment to allow maximum of six chickens. Ordinance immediately following the chicken ordinance was ordinance allowing use of goats for Kudzu control, which also passed on 1st reading. Clever placement on agenda

Observer: Barbara Nicodemus

Meeting: Knoxville City Council

Date: June 15, 2010

Please submit completed forms to Observer Corps Committee Chair