

MINUTES
HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: Tuesday, January 16, 2024

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW05

MEMBERS: Chairman Ehardt, Vice Chairman Kingsley, Representatives Clow, Erickson, Skaug, Weber, Alfieri, Cheatum, Cornilles, Dixon(24), Hawkins, Healey, Price, Wroten, Berch, Green, Galaviz

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Representatives Weber, Galaviz

GUESTS: The sign-in sheet will be retained in the committee secretary's office; following the end of session the sign-in sheet will be filed with the minutes in the Legislative Library.

Chairman Ehardt called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Chairman Ehardt welcomed the committee back to session and confirmed the committee will continue to operate as an electronic committee. She explained there may be materials provided in the desk folders from time-to-time, including RSs from sponsors who request they not be provided electronically, but for practical purposes, most committee materials will be provided electronically. The committee will offer remote testimony and be open to all who would like to testify, barring any time restraints.

Chairman Ehardt asked **Reps. Cheatum** and **Berch** to continue as proofreaders.

Alma Azócar Agurto, the committee page for the first half of the session, introduced herself as a senior from Skyview High School in Nampa. She plans for a future in political science and international relations.

Chairman Ehardt introduced **Wendy Carver-Herbert** who will serve as the acting committee secretary until **Elijah Phipps** returns in mid-February.

Chairman Ehardt stated she anticipates some legislation of significance coming before committee and is open to hearing member-sponsored legislation with a nexus to local government. She also asked committee members, as a matter of courtesy, to keep questions for presenters and testifiers focused and pertinent, and hold off on sharing statements that are more appropriately reserved for discussion and debate.

In answer to a question from the committee, **Chairman Ehardt** reiterated testimony will be accepted from all who wish to testify.

Chairman Ehardt closed the meeting by stating she may invite some presenters on topics pertaining to cities and matters of legislative interest.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Representative Ehardt
Chair

Wendy Carver-Herbert
Secretary