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To: Neighborhood Council Leaders

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Subject: PERMITTING NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL "MOTIONS"? COOL IDEA #6 – CREATE A GIFT BOOK.

PERMITTING NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL "MOTIONS"?

And the hits just keep on coming! I realize that the list of new legislative issues may be coming too fast, but progress marches on.

If you go our home page, you will find a communication from the City Clerk to the City Council. The letter was generated after the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council wrote a letter to the City Clerk asking that an official City Council file be created regarding their request for the City Council to, among other things, take a position on a particular state legislative issue. They asked that their request be referred to a City Council committee just as is done with similar communications from city departments.

In his communication, the City Clerk has presented this policy issue to the City Council for further examination and clarification.

It is Council File 05-0575. It was referred to the Education and Neighborhoods Committee, but a time for its consideration has not yet been set.

COOL IDEA #6 – CREATE A GIFT BOOK.

Create a list of things that your Neighborhood Council needs, or things that the schools and organizations in your neighborhood need – tables, chairs, books, office space, the services of a carpenter, adults who will volunteer to keep an eye on the kids as they walk to and from school, whatever. Put the list on your website, give printed copies to businesses and others who want to help the people in your neighborhood. Give it to us and we'll post it on our website.

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