



**Minutes
Transportation & Commerce Committee
Tuesday, March 3, 2026
9:00 AM
Kennedy Room**

Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

II. Roll Call

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered their names: Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Schweitzer, and Chair Cohn. **4 members were present. A quorum was established.**

Ms. Cox Antwi joined the meeting after it began, bringing the total to 5 members present.

III. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from Tuesday, February 10, 2026, committee meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, February 10, 2026, committee meeting.

Mr. Narayan moved to minutes of the Tuesday, February 10, 2026, committee meeting.

Seconded by Schweitzer.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, February 10, 2026, committee meeting.

The Associate Clerk called the roll on the motion to approve the minutes of

the Tuesday, February 10, 2026, committee meeting.

The following votes were recorded: The following voted Aye: Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Schweitzer, and Mr. Cohn. **4 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of 4 votes were cast. The motion carried.

IV. Board Bills for Review

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

Board Bill Number 167

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge, Jami Cox Antwi

An ordinance amending ordinance number 68481 to create a limited exemption for convention facilities within the City of St. Louis for certain private events or trade shows. The exemption applies only under specified circumstances and is intended to allow flexibility for convention-related activities while maintaining the overall purpose and enforceability of existing regulations; including a severability clause.

The Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge to introduce Board Bill Number 167 before the committee.

Mr. Aldridge spoke about how the Board Bill Number 167 would amend the Clean Air Act.

After no further discussion, Mr. Aldridge stated that he had several expert speakers to speak in support of Board Bill Number 167.

Chair Cohn recognized three expert speakers: Brad Dean, President and CEO

of St. Louis CVC, Brian Atchison, Chief Sales Officer, St. Louis CVC, and Brent Buchanan, Director of Facilities, St. Louis CVC.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

The Chair recognized Brian Atchison, Chief Sales Officer, St. Louis CVC and David Sweeney, Lewis Rice LLC to answer questions from members of the committee.

Hearing no further questions or comments from members of the committee, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public for testimony.

In Support of Board Bill Number 167

1. Patrick Stanley

Hearing no further testimony from members of the public, the Chair spoke on the reason why he would be voting no on Board Bill Number 167.

After no further discussion, the Chair recognized Mr. Aldridge for his closing remarks.

Mr. Aldridge gave his closing remarks.

Hearing no further discussion, the Chair entertained a motion to pass Board Bill Number 167 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation**.

Ms. Cox Antwi moved to pass Board Bill Number 167 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation**.

Seconded by Mr. Narayan.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

The Associate Clerk called the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 167 out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation and the following votes were recorded: The following voted Aye: Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan,

Ms. Schweitzer, Ms. Cox Antwi. **4 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: Mr. Cohn
One

The following voted Present:
None

The following Abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

(The committee will discuss the following and take public comment on the following)

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

There are 3 letters of support of Board Bill Number 167 provided in the Google Drive for review.

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Excused Members

All members were present.

X. Adjournment

Having no other business to discuss, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Narayan moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Cox Antwi.

The vote was carried by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30am.

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