

Report to Council (edited for SCPS Website)

Government Affairs Committee

October 14, 2021

Meeting of October 12, 2021

The committee discussed the report and recommendations of the GAC Subcommittee on 2022 PPAC contract development (see attachment 1), along with the PPAC-proposed modifications of the SCPS-offered 2022 representation agreement. Based upon the discussion, the committee voted to move that SCPS Council defer further discussion with PPAC pending exploration of other potential representation arrangements and possible submission of new ideas by PPAC for representation of SCPS. (Attachment 2)

The committee also discussed with Randall Hager, PPAC legislative analyst, the reasons for PPAC endorsement of Scion Roy for Assembly District 50 (in SCPS). Randall Hager also discussed key legislation that might be discussed at the upcoming SCPS Town Hall meeting on October 13.

Attachment 1

Report to GAC

GAC Subcommittee on Contract Development

October 12, 2021

The SCPS Representation Agreement was sent to PPAC on September 10, 2021, the day after the offer was approved by SCPS. SCPS requested that PPAC either indicate approval of the offer or to suggest any specific modifications required for PPAC approval. SCPS further stated that the content of any PPAC modifications would determine the nature and timing of any further discussion. The PPAC modification was received by SCPS on October 2, 2021 and was not accompanied by any additional information or requests.

The GAC Subcommittee for Contract Development met Wednesday, October 6, and reviewed the SCPS Representation Agreement as modified by PPAC.

The subcommittee analysis and discussion led to a consensus among members that the PPAC-modified representation agreement, in contrast to the SCPS offered agreement, does not contain language that unambiguously indicates that the PPAC Board shall contain voting members independently chosen by SCPS and present in sufficient strength to be consistent with legitimate PPAC representation of SCPS. Further, the subcommittee consensus was that the PPAC-modified Representation Agreement, again in contrast to the SCPS offered agreement, does not contain language that indicates with clarity the role, if any, of PPAC advisory bodies in influencing PPAC Board actions.

Based upon its analysis, the Subcommittee voted to recommend that the GAC propose a motion at SCPS Council to defer any Council vote to accept the PPAC-modified Representation Agreement while SCPS explores other options for structuring SCPS statewide advocacy activities and awaits any additional communication from PPAC that indicates PPAC willingness to include language that assures representation of SCPS that is more consistent with the original 2022 representation agreement offered to PPAC on September 10, 2021.

Additional discussion occurred regarding the necessity of ensuring that any approaches by SCPS Council to other potential advocacy organizations be good faith efforts to secure advocacy from the organization that offers the most effective representation of SCPS membership, as determined by clear and explicit criteria.