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Legal Committee Minutes of Meeting –
September 28, 2016 at 6:15 PM at City Hall, Hudson.

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Present: Michael O'Hara, Chair; Common Council President Claudia DeStefano;
Alderman Tiffany Garriga; Alderman Priscilla Moore; Legal Counsel Ken Dow

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM.

We discussed the following items from the agenda:

1. Report from Counsel on his research of Hudson City Code and findings of obsolete statutes. Mr. Dow reports there are many examples of laws in the Code which would benefit from "pruning", to eliminate redundancy and conflict between statutes which were passed many years ago and which include language which is no longer in regular use, allowing for potential problems in the enforcement of such laws for the police and citizens. There was general agreement on the validity of his observations and support for a long term effort to correct these problems. [L]A resolution: The Legal Committee will choose two items per meeting to review and mark up for proposed changes, based on the suggestions of the Counsel, Chief of Police, Planning Board and Public Defender's office. (Passed) [L]
2. The proposal made to the Council by the "Good Energy" firm regarding "Community Choice Agregation was discussed and commenters suggested a decision on the use of this strategy would best be taken in the context of the NYState incentives provided to municipalities for energy efficiency improvement, such as the "Climate Smart Communities" program and the "Energy Smart Communities" as these programs can provide grants to enable the city to accomplish our goals in these categories. [L]A resolution: Delegate the task of creating an overall strategy for energy and climate to Hudson's Conservation

Advisory Council. (Passed)

3. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45PM.