

2021-2022 Session

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Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House

The Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House shall review and make recommendations on any space and design proposals for the State House.

Previous Meetings - Full Report

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM Meeting Called to Order

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- **Review of Committee's Statutory Charge**

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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10:15 AM Discussion of short term needs for the General Assembly

Space

IT

Airflow and HVAC

Jennifer Fitch, Commissioner, Department of Buildings and General Services

Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature

Kevin Moore, Director of Information Technology, Office of Legislative Information Technology

10:45 AM Discussion of long term needs of the General Assembly

Space

IT

Airflow and HVAC

Jennifer Fitch, Commissioner, Department of Buildings and General Services

Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature

Kevin Moore, Director of Information Technology, Office of Legislative Information
Technology

11:15 AM **Committee Discussion and Planning**

setting timeline for Report due August 15, 2021

future meetings planning

other priorities of the committee

11:30 AM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

1:00 PM **Legislative Staff Office space needs**

Catherine Benham, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

Rep. Alice M. Emmons, Chair, Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House

Mike Ferrant, Director of Operations, Office of Legislative Operations

Kevin Moore, Director of Information Technology, Office of Legislative Information
Technology

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM **BGS Update on survey results**

3:00 PM **Committee Discussion and Planning**

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

1:05 PM **Update by BGS**

Stephen Frey, Senior Facility Architect and Planner, Department of Buildings & General
Services

- **Committee Discussion of Decision Points**

- Are all Legislative committees going to meet in the State House? If so then*
- What standard are we going to use*
- Pre-Covid*
- ASHRAE*
- Other*
- How address public access*
- People counters at committee rooms and State House entry points*
- Define overflow and use*
- IT needs*
- Public in other buildings (109 & 133):*
- staffing needs of Sgt. at Arms and Capital Police*

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

1:00 PM Meeting Called to Order

Rep. Alice M. Emmons, Chair, Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House

1:05 PM Update by BGS

Stephen Frey, Senior Facility Architect and Planner, Department of Buildings & General Services

- **Committee Discussion of Decision Points**

- Are all Legislative committees going to meet in the State House? If so then*
- What standard are we going to use*
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- ASHRAE*
- Other*
- How to address public access*
- People counters at committee rooms and State House entry points?*
- Define overflow and use*
- IT needs*
- Public in other buildings (109 & 133) ?*
- staffing needs of Sgt. at Arms and Capital Police*

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Meeting Details

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1:00 PM Lessons Learned from Legislative Staff

Working remotely through the pandemic, what business practices worked well and should be retained? What was ineffective or too challenging and should not be retained?

Leg Counsel attorneys and drafting operations staff/supervisors

Leg Operations administrative and committee staff

Joint Fiscal Office staff/supervisors

Leg IT staff/supervisors

Michael Chernick, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Peggy Delaney, Committee Services Supervisor, Office of Legislative Operations

Nedene Martin, Supervisor of Drafting Operations, Legislative Counsel

Kevin Moore, Director of Information Technology, Office of Legislative Information Technology

Ron Wild, Committee Staff, Committee Services Support Team

4:00 PM Possible configurations of rooms to use for committee meetings

Joseph Aja, Director Design & Construction, Department of Buildings and General Services

Stephen Frey, Senior Facility Architect and Planner, Department of Buildings & General Services

- Renovation needs for staff movement

BGS discussion of renovations needed and their respective timelines

Copy Room placement and needs

Tuesday, July 20, 2021

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1:00 PM Room capacity discussion

- committee room space needs
- offices of Leg Operations/Counsel needs and space needs
- offices of Human Resources and JFO additional staff needs
- Lounge and Coat Room space needs

2:30 PM State House building capacity discussion

Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature
Matthew Romei, Chief of Capitol Police, Vermont Legislature

3:15 PM Definition of the term overflow

what is the best use of the rooms in 109 and 133 State St?

4:00 PM Committee Discussion and Planning

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

1:00 PM State House building capacity discussion

continued discussion

Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature
Matthew Romei, Chief of Capitol Police, Vermont Legislature

1:30 PM Legislative Operations Update

administrative needs to maintain confidential files and moving gender neutral bathroom in former space

Mike Ferrant, Director of Operations, Office of Legislative Operations
Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature

2:00 PM Definition of the term overflow

what is the best use of the rooms in 109 and 133 State St?

3:00 PM Break

3:15 PM **Parliamentarian Discussion**

how will the House and Senate Chambers be most effectively used during the 2022 session?

John Bloomer, Secretary, Vermont Senate

4:00 PM **Report Discussion**

review the shell of the report with Leg Counsel and discuss outstanding issues that may be added or discussed before the report is finalized

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

5:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, August 3, 2021

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1:00 PM **State House school tour discussion**

Angelica Caterino, State House Tours Coordinator

Victoria Hughes, Education and Museum Manager, Vermont Historical Society

- **Parliamentarian Discussion**

- with the Clerk of the House

Janet Miller, Sergeant-At-Arms, Vermont Legislature

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Kevin Moore, Director of Information Technology, Office of Legislative Information Technology

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Matthew Romei, Chief of Capitol Police, Vermont Legislature

BetsyAnn Wrask, Clerk of the House, Vermont House of Representatives

3:00 PM **Break**

5:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM Update on Space Needs for Legislative Operations

Joseph Aja, Director Design & Construction, Department of Buildings and General Services

Mike Ferrant, Director of Operations, Office of Legislative Operations

- **Use of 109 Space**

Who can use if overflow

Define overflow

Matthew Romei, Chief of Capitol Police, Vermont Legislature

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30 PM Finalize Committee Report

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

3:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

1:00 PM Review Committee Report and Adopt

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

- 1:00 PM Meeting Called to Order**
Rep. Alice M. Emmons, Chair, Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House
- 1:05 PM Capitol Bill Funding and Timing**
Catherine Benham, Chief Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office
- 1:15 PM Freeman French and Freeman Architects Legislative Space Study 2021**
Jesse Beck, Architect, Freeman, French, Freeman
- 2:15 PM Previous State House Expansion and Design Plan**
Tricia Harper, Building Engineer, Department of Buildings & General Services
David Schutz, State Curator, Department of State Buildings
- 3:15 PM Committee Discussion and Planning**
- 4:30 PM Future Meetings**
- 5:00 PM Adjourn**

Thursday, October 7, 2021

Meeting Details

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- 10:00 AM Comparing the Square Footage Between the Feingold and Freeman French and Freeman report**
Tricia Harper, Building Engineer, Architectural Restoration Consulting, PLLC
- 10:45 AM**

Committee Discussion

program needs for Legislative Committees, Legislators, the public and staff

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Tour of the State House**

envisioning ideas both inside and outside the building

2:00 PM **Committee Discussion**

further discussion after tour

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Monday, October 18, 2021

Meeting Details

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10:00 AM **Continued Discussion**

future of the State House

12:00 PM **Lunch**

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, November 4, 2021

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Continued Discussion**

future of the Vermont State House

Joseph Aja, Director Design & Construction, Department of Buildings and General Services

Tricia Harper, Building Engineer, Architectural Restoration Consulting, PLLC

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Continued Discussion**

future of the Vermont State House

2:30 PM **Adjourn**
