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LOCAL PROGRAM AGENDA RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Complete LWV Oshkosh positions will be sent by email attachment and available at the meeting.

SUSTAINABILITY (add this position)

The Oshkosh Area League of Women Voters supports public and private efforts to make our community more sustainable. We believe a sustainable community can best be achieved through actions that adhere to the following principles:

- Reduce wasteful dependence upon fossil fuels, underground metals, and minerals
- Reduce wasteful dependence upon chemicals and unnatural substances
- Reduce encroachment upon nature
- Meet human needs fairly and efficiently

COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION (original position re-worded)

The Oshkosh Area League of Women Voters supports public and private efforts for community revitalization. Community revitalization is defined as the adaptation of community facilities and operations to meet present and future needs of area citizens. In its broadest sense, it is not an end in itself, but rather an ongoing process.

Highest priority community revitalization goals include commercial and industrial development, physical maintenance of commercial and residential property, long-term community energy conservation, and compact land use.

Community revitalization projects may also include low-income housing; elderly housing; job training opportunities; public facilities; maintenance of central business district as full-service commercial, professional, government, cultural and residential center; transportation; preservation and restoration of structures and areas of historic and aesthetic value; public acquisition of property with high public value (e.g. riverfront); and clean air and water.

City government should play an active role in community revitalization in these ways:

- Identify community problems, needs, opportunities; develop an overall strategy for community revitalization
- Build and maintain infrastructure and public facilities designed to foster economic growth
- Provide incentives for private investment by identifying redevelopment areas, establishing Tax Incremental Finance Districts, or issuing Industrial Revenue Bonds
- Participate in joint public/private ventures when widespread public benefit is likely to occur
- Use zoning and other local codes creatively

Land annexations necessary for revitalization projects should be contiguous to the city and should be based on public health factors, long-term land use planning, economic opportunities, and service extension costs.

Essential criteria for selecting community revitalization projects should include public health and safety, appropriate land use, and long-term community benefit. Highly desirable criteria should include recognition of current public and private investment, compatibility with overall revitalization strategy, total cost relative to available funds, economic impact, and historical/aesthetic value. Other desirable criteria include availability of non-local funds and potential private investment.

IMPACT OF STATE LEVY LIMITS (new study)

This study will address the impact of state levy limits on Oshkosh city services.

PARKS AND RECREATION (continue 2007-08 study)

Continue review of the existing Parks and Recreation position which addresses City of Oshkosh parks. Expand the study to include adjacent town and county parks, tree planting, and best management practices for parks adjacent to lakes and rivers. This will include weed management in Millers Bay, shoreline buffers and mowing practices.

League of Women Voters of the Oshkosh Area Proposed Budget for 2008-09			April 17, 2008		Fiscal Year is July 1-June 30
	Expense Budget	Notes		2008-09 Income Budget	2008-09 Notes
Meetings	1,000.00	Includes videotaping two programs. Budgeted 13 lunches for speakers/\$9 each.	Dues (Dual)	700.00	10 Dual memberships
Lunches	117.00		Dues (Single)	2,025.00	1.
Board/Supplies	50.00				
Membership	35.00	Printing and mailing of membership material.	Contributions		
LWV-WI annual meeting	500.00	Manitowoc US Council in 2009. State officers attend.	(member)	900.00	
LWV-US Convention/Council	-		(non-member)		
LWV-WI Per Membership Payment	1,566.00	2.	(indirect)	700.00	3.
LWV-US Per Membership Payment	1,624.00	4.			
Bulletin	600.00	Six Bulletins @ \$100, including postage.	LWV-WI Birthday Fund	100.00	5.
Voter Service, Candidate Forums	120.00		Joyce Foundation/ LWV-WI	100.00	Forum on Redistricting (Nov. 17, 2008)
Miscellaneous					
LMILG dues	25.00	Lake Michigan InterLeague dues. (Friends of OCAT)	Fund-Raiser Event	2,275.00	6.
OCAT donation	50.00		Earned Publications Interest:		
Banner, signs	-		Savings Interest:		Interest is not withdrawn
			Checking	6.00	
Fund-Raiser Event	1,210.00	7.	Miscellaneous		
Web Site	160.00	Hosting by LWV-CA	Withdraw from CD	-	
			Carryover	251.00	Expected carryover on 7/1/2008
TOTAL	7,057.00		TOTAL	7,057.00	
2007-2008 Expense Budget	8,012.60		2007-2008 Income Budget Projected	8,012.60	
Projected 2007-08 Actual	6,779.96		2007-08 Actual	8,050.67	

Notes from budget

1. 45 Single memberships @\$45. Members who join after March 2007 don't pay in fall of 2007.
2. Based on 43 singles plus 10 households; \$27 per member; \$13.50 additional person.
3. Donations made to the LWV-US Foundation--This offsets our LWV-US membership fees.
4. Based on 43 singles plus 10 households; \$28 per member; \$14 additional person. The actual amount paid is offset by donations to the LWV-US Foundation. Membership count as of January 31, 2008.
5. This is a LWV-WI fund raiser that returns half of the donations back to the local league.
6. Est. 65 attendees @\$35 each; \$19 each in expenses, \$18 each in profit. Total profit of \$1170.
7. Pass-through expense for the food cost. 65 @ \$14 Plus printing, mailing expenses, mileage, nametags, misc. (\$300)

Nominating Committee Report, 2008

Officers to be elected	Name	Term
Vice President	Frankie Mengeling	2008 – 2010
Treasurer	Karen Boehning	2008 – 2010
Board Members	Dorry Wilner Carolyn Blassingame Fran Garb	2008 – 2010
Nominating Committee (two off-board positions)	1. 2.	2009
Officers continuing		
President	Kathy Propp	2007-2009
Secretary	Ann Marshall	2007-2009
Board Members	Susan Nuernberg Karen King Jan Scalpone	2007-2009

Submitted by 2008 nominating committee
 Frankie Mengeling
 Mark Roemer
 Cynthia Thorpe