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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Finance and Personnel Committee

Chair Maurice Horton
Vice Chair Cory Sebastian
Alder Olivia Turquoise-Davis
Alder Mary Land
Alder Terry McCarthy

Monday, February 24, 2025

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 303

Call To Order

PRESENT: 4 - Chair Horton, Vice Chair Sebastian, Land and McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Turquoise-Davis

Approval of Minutes for the January 27, 2025 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder Land, to Approve the Minutes.

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Chair Horton, Vice Chair Sebastian, Land and McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Turquoise-Davis

[0151-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$135,251 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Wisconsin Well Woman Program Grant Agreement (Grant Control Numbers #00622, #00621).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$135,251 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Wisconsin Well Woman Program Grant Agreement (Grant Control Numbers #00622, #00621).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, and Mayor Mason, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0152-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the

Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$11,855 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Preventive Health & Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant (Grant Control #00620).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$11,855 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Preventive Health & Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant (Grant Control #00620).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0153-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$53,680 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Maternal Child Health Block Grant (Grant Control #00611).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$53,680 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Maternal Child Health Block Grant (Grant Control #00611).

Fiscal Note: City Match Required: \$40,260 (75%) the match will come from the City of Racine's contribution of staff time, administrative oversight, and reporting tasks.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0154-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$25,456 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Lead Contract (Grant Control #00610).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$25,456 from the WI Department of Health

Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Lead Contract (Grant Control #00610).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0155-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to enter into an agreement and accept reoccurring funding of \$21,000 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV Prevention/Partner Services Agreement (Grant Control #00623).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to enter into an agreement and accept reoccurring funding of \$21,000 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV Prevention/Partner Services Agreement (Grant Control #00623).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0156-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$34,040 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Immunization Contract (Grant Control #00609).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$34,040 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Immunization Contract (Grant Control #00609).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0158-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the

Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$6,390 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV CTR Testing Fee for Service Grant Agreement (Grant Control #00624).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$6,390 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV CTR Testing Fee for Service Grant Agreement (Grant Control #00624).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0163-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Kaprelian, requesting consideration of a parking fee waiver for the September 13, 2025 Veterans Stand Down event at Festival Hall, which provides essential services to homeless and at-risk veterans.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the request for a parking fee waiver for the September 13, 2025 Veterans Stand Down event at Festival Hall, which provides essential services to homeless and at-risk veterans be approved.

Fiscal Note: Cost not to exceed \$1,500.

Veterans Outreach Of Wisconsin Board Of Directors Member Shawn Rivers, City Administrator Sullivan, Finance Director Fischer, and Alder Kaprelian, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Sebastian, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

Alder McCarthy Voted No.

[0147-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Finance Director, requesting permission to enter into a professional services agreement with Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP to assist the City with how to Determine, Preserve, Enhance and Claim the IRA 22 tax credits eligible for the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic project.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: Motion to approve contract with review back to the Finance and Personnel Committee after phase 2; and that the Mayor and City Clerk be granted permission to enter into a professional services agreement with Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP to assist the City with how

to Determine, Preserve, Enhance and Claim the IRA 22 tax credits eligible for the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic project.

Fiscal Note: Contract cost is \$146,500. Funding available in 45010 52100 22912. It is currently estimated that the City, because of these services, will receive between \$1.3M-\$2.0M in direct pay energy credits.

Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP Representative Michael Perkins, Finance Director Fischer, and Mayor Mason, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Sebastian, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0196-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Finance Director, to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance and establishing the parameters for the sale of up to \$17,000,000 of 2025 general obligation promissory notes dated March 17, 2025 to be used as a bridge loan for paying the cost associated with the construction of the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic as authorized by the Common Council via resolution 0683-24 on August 20, 2024.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To approve a resolution authorizing the issuance and establishing the parameters for the sale of up to \$17,000,000 of 2025 general obligation promissory notes dated March 17, 2025 to be used as a bridge loan for paying the cost associated with the construction of the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic as authorized by the Common Council via resolution 0683-24 on August 20, 2024.

Fiscal Note: Short term note to cover construction costs before other funding sources are available. Estimated interest rate is 4.21% with payments due in the years 2026 through 2027.

RW Baird Managing Director of Public Finance Bradley Viegut, Finance Director Fischer, and Mayor Mason, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder McCarthy, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0159-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Earl Tucker for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder Land, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0160-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Patricia Peksa for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder Land, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0161-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Alex Madisen for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder Land, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0162-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Adam A. Locke for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Horton, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0164-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Weidner and Alder Kelly, requesting an update from the City Administrator on the status of the police contract.

Recommendation of Alder Weidner and Alder Kelly: To refer the

communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Recommendation of the Common Council on 02-19-2025: That the item be referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee and Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Staff Recommendation: To refer the communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee in accordance with ordinance section 74-38 "[c]ollective bargaining with certified bargaining until shall be carried on under the direction of the Finance and Personnel Committee."

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Administrator Sullivan, City Attorney Letteney, Deputy City Attorney Roubik, Finance Director Fischer, RPA Union President, Alder Kelly, and Alder Weidner, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this communication be Received and Filed.

Closed Session

It is intended that the Finance and Personnel Committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes section 19.85(1)(e), to address matters that, for competitive or bargaining reasons, require a closed session, specifically to formulate collective bargaining strategy.

A motion was made by Horton, seconded by Sebastian, to go into Closed Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Chair Horton, Vice Chair Sebastian, Land and McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Turquoise-Davis

[0167-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, requesting the City Administrator provide a status update as to collective bargaining with General Teamsters Local Union No. 200.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Administrator Sullivan, City Attorney Letteney, Finance Director Fischer, and Mayor Mason, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Sebastian, seconded by Alder McCarthy, that this communication be Received and Filed.

Open Session

The Finance and Personnel Committee will return to open session and may take action on any item discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by McCarthy, seconded by Sebastian, to go into Open Session.

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Chair Horton, Vice Chair Sebastian, Land and McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Turquoise-Davis

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:48p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Alder Horton, Chair

Finance & Personnel Committee