



City of Racine

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Meeting Agenda

Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman Thomas Friedel, Vice Chair James T. Spangenberg, Alderman David L. Maack,
Alderman Robert Anderson, Alderman Michael Shields*

Monday, October 13, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call to Order and Roll Call

Approval of Minutes for the September 22, 2008 meeting.

1. [08-2695](#) **Subject:** Communication from Mayor Becker requesting to accept the Racine Safe Neighborhood Alliance, Weed and Seed grant in the amount of \$150,000. (Res.08-1065)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for the Racine Safe Neighborhood Alliance, Weed and Seed grant (Grant Control No. 2007-043) in the amount of \$150,000.

Fiscal Note: There is a soft match required on the part of the City.

2. [08-2688](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting bid results on Contract 53-08 (K8-061), City Hall Renovations - Phase II (R1). (Res.08-1066)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

9-30-08: Contract 53-08 (K8-061), City Hall Renovations - Phase II (R1), be awarded to Absolute Construction Enterprises, Inc., Racine, WI, at their bid price of \$1,045,000.00, they being the lowest responsible bidder.

Further recommends that this item be referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee for appropriate funding.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Recommend that \$650,000 be included in the 2009 Capital Improvement Budget and 2009 Bond Issue for City Hall Renovations - Phase II (R1) and that contract 53-08 (K8-061) be awarded.

Fiscal Note: The lowest responsible bidder bid \$1,045,000 on the project. \$395,000 is available in account 988.100.5010, 2008 City Hall -

Facilities Plan, and \$35,000 is available in account 986.300.5040, Fire Dept. - Female Locker room.

3. [08-2723](#)

Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services requesting to apply for a \$29,000 grant with the Wisconsin Coastal Management . (Res.08-1067)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Permission granted for the Director of Parks Recreation & Cultural Services apply for the Wisconsin Coastal Management grant (Grant Control No. 2008-033) in the amount of \$29,000 to be utilized for the North Beach bathhouse roof replacement.

Fiscal Note: There is a 50% match on the part of the city that is in the 2008 budget.

4. [08-2712](#)

Subject: The Director of City Development submitting the proposed 2009 operating plan and special assessments for the Downtown Business Improvement District No. 1. (Res.08-1068)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Approval of the 2009 operating plan and special assessments for the Downtown Business Improvement District No. 1.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated \$214,087 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Downtown Bid's revenue account.

5. [08-2713](#)

Subject: The Director of City Development submitting the proposed 2009 operating plan and special assessments for the West Racine Business Improvement District No. 2. (Res.08-1069)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Approval of the 2009 operating plan and special assessments for the West Racine Business Improvement District No. 2.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated that \$21,376.60 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the West Racine Business revenue account.

6. [08-2714](#)

Subject: The Director of City Development submitting the proposed 2009 operating plan and special assessments for the Uptown Business Improvement District No. 3. (Res.08-1070)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Approval of the 2009 operating plan and special

assessments for the Uptown Business Improvement District No. 3.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated \$38,039.49 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Uptown Business revenue account.

7. [08-2376](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Chief of Police requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant. (Res.08-1060)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2008-035) in the amount of \$25,000.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

10-13-08: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2008-035) in the amount of \$25,000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match is required on the part of the city.

8. [08-2739](#) **Subject:** Communication from Police Chief requesting to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Speed Enforcement Mobilization grant. (Res.08-1061)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Speed Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2008-036) in the amount of \$25,000.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

10-13-08: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2009 Speed Enforcement Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2008-036) in the amount of \$25,000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match is required on the part of the city.

9. [08-2743](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to accept the 2007 Urban Area Security Initiative grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the Office of Justice Assistance. (Res.08-1062)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: The Mayor and City Clerk by authorized and directed to enter

into a \$50,000 agreement with the Office of Justice Assistance for the 2007 Urban Area Security Initiative grant (Grant Control No. 2008-009).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

10-13-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$50,000 agreement with the Office of Justice Assistance for the 2007 Urban Area Security Initiative grant (Grant Control No. 2008-009).

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the city. The funds will be utilized for upgrades to the Fire Department's Tactical Command Post.

10. [08-2745](#)

Subject: Communication from the Fire Chief requesting permission to apply for and accept a 2008 Urban Area Security Initiative grant in the amount of \$253,000. (Res.08-1063)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Permission granted to apply for and accept a \$253,000 2008 UASI grant (Grant Control No. 2008-034) with the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Justice Assistance.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

10-13-08: That the Fire Chief be granted permission to apply for and accept a \$253,000 2008 UASI grant (Grant Control No. 2008-034) with the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Justice Assistance.

Fiscal Note: No match is required on the part of the city.

11. [08-2756](#)

Subject: Communication from the Finance Director requesting to transfer \$25,000 from the Finance Department's Salaries account 101.191.5010 to the Finance Department Building Improvements account 101.191.5760. (Res.08-1071)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: Permission granted for the Finance Director to transfer \$25,000 from the Finance Department's Salaries account 101.191.5010 to the Finance Department Building Improvements account 101.191.5760 to be utilized for the design and installation of security upgrades.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available for the transfer.

12. [08-2751](#)

Subject: Communication from the Finance Director presenting the 2007 City of Racine's Financial Statements.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: The 2007 City of Racine's Financial Statements be received

and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

13. [08-2505](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Robin and Patricia Jacobsen for consideration. (Res.08-1072)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 8-27-08: The claim of Robin and Patricia Jacobsen, 31 Sheffield for cleaning and repair expenses arising from a sewer backup into their basement on June 9, 2008 be deferred, that the City Attorney's office review the claim and conduct an analysis on the dollar amount submitted by Mr. Jacobsen and bring the item back for discussion.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 09-22-08: The claim of Robin and Patricia Jacobsen, 31 Sheffield Dr., requesting reimbursement for cleaning and repair expenses arising from a sewer backup in their basement on 06-09-08 be settled in the amount of \$8,500.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available in account 101.990.5910 Judgments and Claims for the settlement.

14. [08-2740](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Shannon Figueroa for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10-13-08: The claim of Shannon Figueroa, 335 Luedtke Ave., requesting reimbursement of \$37,250 for damages from an auto accident involving a police squad car on January 22, 2006 be denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

15. [08-2693](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Tracy Houdek for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10-13-08: The claim of Tracy Houdek, 1518 Quincy Ave., requesting reimbursement of \$1,142.60 for repair expenses after a tree branch allegedly fell on her parked vehicle on April 26, 2008 be denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

16. [08-2692](#) **Subject:** Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Nona Hiler for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: The claim of Nona Hiler, 831 College Ave., requesting reimbursement of \$2,138.15 for repair expenses after a tree branch allegedly fell on her vehicle on June 15, 2008 be denied.

Fiscal Note: N//A

A motion was made by Alderman Spangenberg and seconded by Alderman Maack that the Committee be convened into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes to confer with legal counsel regarding the claim of Jamie Garner.

Roll call taken: Ayes: Aldermen Spangenberg, Maack, Anderson, Shields and Friedel.
Noes: None
Abstain: None

The Chairman then announced that the Committee would convene in closed session for the reason stated in the motion and pursuant to Wisconsin statute 19.85(1)(g).

Also present: David Brown, Terry Parker and Scott Letteney

17. [08-2720](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting a closed session strategy conference to consider the claim of Jamie Garner. (Res.08-1073)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

10-13-08: The claim of Jamie Garner be settled in the amount of \$80,000. Further recommends the City Attorney be required to attempt recovery of the settled amount from the former officer Frank Williams civilly.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available in account 101.990.5910 Judgments and Claims for the settlement.

Miscellaneous Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday October 27, 2008.