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Meeting Minutes

Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman Thomas Friedel, Vice Chair Sandy Weidner
Alderman James T. Spangenberg, Alderman Aron Wisneski, Alderman Michael Shields*

Monday, March 10, 2008

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call to Order and Roll Call

PRESENT: 4 - James T. Spangenberg, Thomas Friedel, Sandy Weidner and Michael Shields

ABSENT: 1 - Aron Wisneski

Approval of the Minutes for the February 25, 2008 meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

08-1741

Subject: Communication from Bonnie Prochaska, requesting the use of the State Street Train Depot for an Eco-Fair event on April 26, 2008.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on

02-27-08: The request be granted, subject to execution of a hold harmless agreement, and the fee for use of the depot be waived.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: Permission granted for Bonnie Prochaska, President of Ginkgo Leaf Studio, to utilize the State Street Train Depot for the Eco-Fair on April 26, 2008 subject to an execution of a Hold Harmless Agreement.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Attachments: [Eco-Fair](#)

Ben Hughes, City Administrator, and Michael Glasheen, Transit Planner, appeared before the Committee requesting to allow the Eco Fair Committee to utilize the State Street Train Depot for the Eco Fair on April 26, 2008. Because the City of Racine will not incur expenses over and above normal operating costs there will be no fee to utilize the depot.
Recommended For Approval

08-1786

Subject: Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer regarding the elimination and creation of a position in the Equipment Maintenance Division.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: Permission granted for the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer to eliminate the Equipment Washer-Greaser position, HU-05, and create a Truck Mechanic position, HU-23.

Fiscal Note: The elimination of Equipment Washer-Greaser position, HU-05 will help cover the cost of the Truck Mechanic position, HU-23.

Attachments: [Change HU-5 to HU-23.doc](#)

Rick Jones, Commissioner of Public Works, City Engineer appeared before the Committee. In 2003 there were two mechanic positions eliminated. This has caused numerous hours of overtime to keep up with the maintenance of the trucks. He is requesting to eliminate an Equipment Washer-Greaser position, HU-05, and to create a Truck Mechanic position, HU-23 to help reduce the overtime.

Recommended For Approval

[08-1806](#)

Subject: Agreement with Ehlers and Associates, Inc. for professional Services related to a Tax Increment District for the Uptown Commercial Area.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute a development agreement with Ehlers and Associates, Inc. for the redevelopment project in the Uptown commercial area.

Fiscal Note: Total cost of the contract will be \$13,500 and will be advanced from the 208 Industrial/Economic Development Fund.

Attachments: [Agreement - Ehlers and Associates.pdf](#)

Brian O'Connell, Director of City Development, appeared before the Committee requesting to execute a professional services contract with Ehlers and Associates, Inc. for the study for the redevelopment project in the Uptown commercial area.

Recommended For Approval

[08-1802](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to apply and accept funds from the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for Lead Poisoning Prevention. (Grant Control #2008-006)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: Permission granted for the Public Health Administrator to apply for and accept an \$85,897 grant with the Department of Health and Family Services, Centers for Disease Control to be utilized for prevention of lead poisoning. (Grant Control No. 2008-006).

Fiscal Note: There is a 50% soft match required on the part of the City.

Attachments: [2008 Lead Poisoning Prevention DHFS](#)

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee requesting to apply for and accept an \$85,897 grant with the Department of Health and Family Services, Centers for Disease Control to be utilized for prevention of lead

poisoning.

Recommended For Approval

08-1817

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept an annual allocation of funds of \$250,000 from the State of Wisconsin to combat infant mortality. The first allocation being \$500,000 covering retroactive to July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009. (Grant Control #2008-007)

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$250,000 agreement from the State of Wisconsin (Grant Control No. 2008-007) to be utilized for the newly created position of the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 03-11-08: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the State of Wisconsin to accept an annual allocation of \$250,000 (Grant Control No. 2008-007) to be utilized for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Fiscal Note: \$250,000 grant will be allocated annually from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.

Attachments: [2008 Infant Mortality](#)

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee requesting permission to accept \$250,000 from the State of Wisconsin to be utilized for the created limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommended For Approval

08-1818

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting that a Healthy Birth Outcomes Program Coordinator position be created.

(Also refer to the Board of Health.)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

03-10-08: Permission granted for the Public Health Administrator to create a limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommendation of the Board of Health on 03-11-08: Permission be granted for the Public Health Administrator to create a limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Fiscal Note: The position will be funded by a annual allocation of

\$250,000 from the State of Wisconsin (Grant Control No. 2008-007) from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009.

Attachments: [HBO Position Request](#)

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee requesting permission to create a limited term position for the Healthy Birth Outcomes Program.

Recommended For Approval

Miscellaneous Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on March 24, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Ald. Thomas Friedel, Chairman
Finance & Personnel Committee