



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee of the Whole

Thursday, October 29, 2020

6:00 PM

Virtual

2021 Budget Meeting

Call To Order

PRESENT: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

[0728-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Common Council President Tate II to temporarily stop collecting bus fares on RYDE system beginning October 30, 2020 through November 3, 2020.

A motion was made by Alder Jung to Approve, seconded by Alder Taft.

[0714-20](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason submitting the proposed 2021 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Associated Budget, Ordinances, and Fee Schedules as attached anticipated to be included in adoption of this item.

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 11-29-2020:

That the proposed 2021 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Associated Budget, Ordinances, and Fee Schedules as attached anticipated to be included in adoption of this item, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: A copy of the 2021 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds, and Internal Service Funds are on file in the Office of the Finance Director and on the City Website.

A motion was made by Alder Lemke to Adopt Amendment #1 to "Phase out the rule of 75 to the rule of 85: Delete the current proposed language and amend it to:

Retires January 1, 2021-June 30, 2021 rule of 75

Retires July 1, 2021-December 31, 2021 rule of 77

Retires January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022 rule of 79

Retires January 1, 2023-December 31, 2023 rule of 81

Retires January 1, 2024-December 31, 2024 rule of 83

**Retires January 1, 2025-December 31, 2025 rule of 85", seconded by Alder Coe.
The motion PASSED by the following vote:**

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

**A motion was made by Alder Meekma to Amended Amendment #2 to
"Decrease 11002-53810 by \$ 6,000
Decrease 11202-52270 by \$19,000
Increase 14010-50200 by \$25,000", seconded by Alder Levie. The motion passed
by the following vote:**

AYES: 7 - Coe, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Land, Taft and Meekma

NOES: 6 - Jones, Horton, West, Jung, Perez and Lemke

**Alder Meekma made a motion to Adopt as Amended, Amendment #2,
seconded by Alder Taft. The motion FAILED by the following vote:**

AYES: 6 - Coe, Levie, Peterson, Land, Taft and Meekma

NOES: 7 - Jones, Santiago Jr, Horton, West, Jung, Perez and Lemke

**Alder Peterson made a motion to Approve Amendment #3 "Eliminate the
H.S.A's. Savings of \$700,000. Refund 3 firefighters and 4 Police Officers",
seconded by Alder Perez. The motion FAILED by the following vote:**

AYES: 2 - Peterson and Perez

NOES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Taft, Meekma
and Lemke

**Alder Peterson made a motion to Adopt Amendment #4 "Remove all language
in regards to elimination of sick time payouts. Replace with elimination of
vacation pay. 50% as of July 1, 2021,100% 2022". FAILED for a lack of second.**

**Alder Peterson made a motion to Adopt Amendment #5 "Remove the Assistant
Development Director from the budget", seconded by Alder Perez. The motion
FAILED by the following vote:**

AYES: 2 - Peterson and Perez

NOES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Taft, Meekma
and Lemke

Alder Peterson made a motion to Withdraw Amendment #6.

**Alder Meekma made a motion to Adopt Amendment #7, "Allocate funds for City
contribution to the construction of a new COP House", seconded by Alder West.
The motion PASSED by the following vote:**

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

**Alder Meekma made a motion to Adopt Amendment #8, "Allocate Capital funds
to purchase Police Department de-escalation software", seconded by Alder
Perez. The vote PASSED by the following vote:**

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

Alder Land made a motion to Receive and File Amendment #9, "If the

referendum concerning healthcare benefits passes, we restore some positions to Public

Safety", seconded by Alder Jung. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Santiago Jr, Levie, Peterson, Horton, West, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

Alder Meekma made a motion to Recommend for Approval as Amended, seconded by Alder Lemke.

[0579-20](#)

Subject: Submittal of the Report of the Committee of the Racine Waterworks Commission regarding Year 2021 Water Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2021-2025 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption

Recommendation of the Racine Waterworks Commission on 09/15/20: To Adopt O&M as presented

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 10-29-20: That the Report of the Committee of the Racine Waterworks Commission regarding Year 2021 Water Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2021-2025 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alder Lemke made a motion to Recommend for Approval, seconded by Alder Jones.

[0580-20](#)

Subject: Submittal of the Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Wastewater Commission regarding Year 2021 Wastewater Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2021-2025 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption

Recommendation of Racine Wastewater Commission on September 15, 2020: To adopt O&M Budget and defer CIP Budget

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 10-29-2020: That Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Wastewater Commission regarding Year 2021 Wastewater Utility Operations and Maintenance Budget and the 2021-2025 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alder Jung made a motion to Recommend for Approval, seconded by Alder Santiago Jr.

[0650-20](#)

Subject: Submittal of the Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Wastewater Commission regarding the 2021-2025 Capital

Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption

Recommendation of Racine Wastewater Commission on October 1, 2020: To adopt the 2021-2025 CIP

Recommendation of Committee of the Whole on 10-29-2020: That the Report of the Finance Committee of the Racine Wastewater Commission regarding the 2021-2025 Capital Improvements Budget Recommending Adoption, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alder Meekma made a motion to Recommend for Approval, seconded by Alder Santiago Jr.

Adjournment

Alder Tate II adjourned the meeting at 8:34 PM.