



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Works and Services Committee

*Chairman Gregory Holding, Alderman Ronald D. Hart, Alderman Sandy Weidner,
Alderman Jeff Coe, Alderman Raymond DeHahn*

Tuesday, August 25, 2009

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Ald. Gregory Holding, 11th District, Chairman; Ald. Ron Hart, 14th District; Ald. Jeff Coe, 1st District; Ald. Ray DeHahn, 7th District; Richard Jones, Commissioner of Public Works; Tom Eeg, Asst. Commissioner/Operations; John Rooney, Asst. Commissioner/Engineering

Staff: Sgt. Kupper

Others: Christopher Nelson

Approval of Minutes for the August 11, 2009 Meeting.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the minutes were approved as printed.

1. [09-3990](#)

Subject: Communication from St. Catherine's High School requesting to close Park Avenue between 12th and 13th Streets on Sunday, September 5, 2010, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for an Angel Block Party.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That St. Catherine's High School be granted permission to close Park Avenue from 12th Street to 13th Street, on Saturday, September 5, 2009, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for an angel block party.

Further recommends that permission be granted with the following stipulations:

- A. A hold harmless agreement be executed.
- B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.
- C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.
- D. The sponsor shall pay a \$250.00 special event fee.

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer and Chief of Police provide limited assistance, in the interest of public safety, to implement this event.

Fiscal Note: There will be nominal costs to various City departments,

on a regular shift basis, to assist in implementing this event.

Rick described the event and indicated there would be a \$250 event fee and subject to the usual stipulations.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the request.

Recommended For Approval

2. [09-4014](#)

Subject: Communication from the Senor de Tlacolula Committee requesting permission to use public right-of-way for a parade to commemorate the Mayordomia del Senor de Tlacolula on September 19, 2009.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That the Senor de Tlacolula Committee be granted permission to close Park Avenue from 6th Street to Water Street, Water Street from Villa Street to Wisconsin Avenue, and Wisconsin Avenue from 3rd Street to 5th Street, on Saturday, September 19, 2009, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., for the Mayordomia del Senor de Tlacolula parade.

Further recommends that permission be granted with the following stipulations:

- A. A hold harmless agreement be executed.
- B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.
- C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.
- D. The sponsor shall pay a \$250.00 special event fee.

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer and Chief of Police provide limited assistance, in the interest of public safety, to implement this event.

Fiscal Note: There will be nominal costs to various City departments, on a regular shift basis, to assist in implementing this event.

Rick read the request and noted the request was to use city right-of-way. It would be problematic because 6th Street is under construction at Wisconsin Avenue. He suggested another route using Park Street, 6th to Water and Water Street, Park to 4th, with detours provided at 3rd and Wisconsin and Villa and Water. He noted the fee of \$250 and read the letter of request from Wally Villarreal.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by Coe, the Committee approved the request subject to the usual stipulations.

Recommended For Approval

3. [09-4002](#)

Subject: Communication from Christopher Nelson and Alderman McCarthy requesting a street light be placed on an existing pole in the

alley between Grange and Flett.

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee
on 8-25-09: Defer**

Christopher Nelson appeared before the Committee requesting a street light. He noted the existing pole on the street near the bicycle shop was out and asked for another alley light. There was a discussion on the need of adding additional street lights in Racine, particularly in alleys with the street light budget as it was. Rick noted the Engineers Office would get the pole number and report the light is out to We Energies.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item and requested the Engineering Dept. check the street lighting in the area.

Deferred

4. [09-4031](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Engineering, on behalf of Nancy Teloh (2005 Phillips Ave) and Frank Bado (2045 Phillips Ave), requesting a public hearing for alley improvements bounded by 20th Street, 21st Street, Phillips Avenue and S. Memorial Drive.

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee
on 8-25-09:** That the prayer of the petitioners be granted and that a preliminary resolution be introduced for the paving of the alley bounded by 20th Street, 21st Street, Phillips Avenue and S. Memorial Drive.

Fiscal Note: This is an assessable alley project and, therefore, all costs will be paid for by the abutting property owners.

Rick noted the request for a public hearing for paving of the alley bounded by 20th Street, 21st Street, Phillips Avenue and S. Memorial Drive.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the request.

Recommended For Approval

5. [09-3701](#)

Subject: Communication from Neil Thorpe and Ramona Thorpe, as successors to A & N Enterprises, a partnership, offering the real property located at 901 Ninth Street to the City of Racine.

Recommendation of the Waterworks Commission on 06-30-09:
Received and filed

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee
on 6-30-09, 7-14-09, 7-28-09 and 8-11-09: Defer**

Recommendation of the Wastewater Commission on 06-30-09:
The City Attorney be authorized to negotiate with the current owner of

the property to pay any and all back taxes and fees that may appear on the current assessment for the property in exchange for the City of Racine taking possession of the subject property.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That the communication be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rick noted the item is still being reviewed by the City Attorneys Office. Ald. Hart noted the item has been before the Committee long enough and asked the item be received and filed.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee received and filed the item.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

6. [09-4017](#)

Subject: Communication from the Aldermen of the 4th, 7th, 8th, 12th and 14th Districts requesting to review the ordinances related to seasonal alternate side parking.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That Section 94-145, Parking prohibited between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.; exceptions, be amended to provide for 7 day-a-week alternate side street parking restrictions to be enforced from December 1st to April 1st of each year.

Fiscal Note: Not applicable at this time.

A discussion ensued about the need for alternate side parking seven days a week for snow removal purposes. It was noted the ordinance should be amended to read that seven day a week alternate side parking should exist from December 1st to April 1st.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the ordinance change for consideration.

Recommended For Approval

7. [09-4023](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request to vacate Northwestern Court from Northwestern Avenue to its terminus.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: Defer

John requested the item be deferred until a legal description could be drafted for the vacation of Northwestern Court.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

8. [09-4066](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting the Notice of Intent to Award a Performance Contract to Johnson Controls, Inc. for Energy Conservation and Facility Improvements.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an Energy Conservation and Facility Improvement Performance Contract for the installation of a 36.9 KW Solarvoltaic System and Lighting Improvements at the City Hall Annex in accordance with the proposal as submitted by Johnson Controls, Inc. in the amount of \$374,670.00.

Further recommends that funds to defray the cost of this contract be appropriated from the following accounts:

\$200,000.00 - Account 989.200.5030, Annex Solar Energy Project
\$ 35,000.00 - Account 989.200.5010, Annex Retaining Wall Repairs
\$ 4,670.00 - Account 988.220.5030, CHP Structural Repairs
\$100,000.00 - WE Energies Grant
\$ 35,000.00 - Focus on Energy Grant
\$374,670.00 - Total

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

Rick explained the Performance Contract and the proper Notice of Intent conditions for energy conservation projects.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the contract.

Recommended For Award of Bid

9. [09-4022](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request for final payment on Contract 23-08 (K8-027), PS - Bridge Inspection Services, Ayres Associates, consultant.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: The professional services provided by Ayres Associates under Contract 23-08 (K8-027), Professional Services - Bridge Inspection Services, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$20,747.32.

Fiscal Note: Contract was authorized under Resolution No. 08-0790, dated May 6, 2008.

John noted the consultant has satisfactorily completed the work and is requesting final payment in the amount of \$20,747.32.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved final payment.

Recommended For Approval

10. [09-4007](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request for final payment on Contract 41-08 (K8-047), Professional Services - Festival Hall Awnings, Hartmann Design, Inc., consultant.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: Defer

Tom requested this item be deferred.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

11. [09-4049](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/ City Engineer submitting Amendment No. 2 to Contract 38-07 (K7-044), Stormwater Utility Professional Services, Earth Tech AECOM, consultant.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: Defer

Rick requested the item be deferred.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

12. [09-4058](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Operations submitting Amendment No. 1 to Contract 13-09 (K9-013), Professional Services - Library Renovation Design Services, Architectural Associates, Ltd., consultant.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: Defer

Tom requested the item be deferred.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

13. [09-4036](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/ Engineering submitting a professional services agreement for Basin KK Dye Water Flooding.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a professional services agreement with AECOM

Technical Services for Basin KK Dye Water Flooding, at a price not-to-exceed \$14,193.00.

Further recommends that funds to defray the cost of these professional services be appropriated from Account 287.989.5310, Sanitary Sewer, Various Locations.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

John described the proposal for dye water flooding of Basin KK and explained the project to the Committee members. It is in the not-to-exceed amount of \$14,193 and funding is available.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the proposal and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the agreement.

Recommended For Acceptance as a Professional Services Agreement

14. [09-4057](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Engineering submitting the State/Municipal Agreement for Stage 3 Local ARRA 2010, State ID: 2703-00-00/2703-00-70, South Memorial Drive (Chicory Rd to Brentwood Ct).

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Engineering be authorized and directed to enter into a State/Municipal Agreement for Stage 3 Local ARRA 2010, State ID: 2703-00-00/2703-00-70, S. Memorial Drive, from Chicory Road to Brentwood Court.

Fiscal Note: The estimated cost of this construction project is \$678,750.00 with \$667,890.00 of federal stimulus funds with the City's share being \$10,860.00. The City's share of the cost for this project will be included in the 2010 Capital Improvement Program.

John noted the City of Racine received approval for Stage 3 ARRA 2010 projects. He noted the project was S. Memorial Drive from Chicory Road to just north of Brentwood Court. He asked the Committee to authorize the Commissioner of Public Works to enter into the agreement.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the request.

Recommended For Approval

15. [09-4003](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/ Engineering submitting Change Order No. 1 on Contract 23-09 (K9-024) Basin 17 & 18 Sewer Improvements, Woodland Hills Contractors, contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 8-25-09: Defer

John noted the change order was not ready at this time and requested it be deferred.

On a motion by Coe, seconded by Hart, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

16. [05-1353](#)

Subject: Item 5 of January 3, 2006, communication from the owner of DeRango's Restaurant, 3114 Washington Avenue requesting the installation of traffic barriers on the north side of Washington Avenue, east of the restaurant.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 8-25-09: The communication be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rick noted this item has been in front of the Committee for the last three and a half years and noted no requests have come for this issue. The restaurant has even made barrier improvements on private property in the area and requested the item be received and filed.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee received and filed the communication.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

17. [06-1516](#)

Subject: Item 11 of February 7, 2006, communication from Racine Sister City Planning Council requesting the City replace the present sister cities signs that are located on the "main" road/highway entrances to the City of Racine.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 8-25-09: The communication be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rick noted this item required funding by the Sister City Planning Council to place the Sister City signs in road right-of-way. He noted they have never come back to the Committee to provide the funding and requested the item be received and filed.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee received and filed the communication.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

Miscellaneous Business

18. [09-4075](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Change Order No. 7 to Contract 52-07 (K7-061), Remodel Racine Zoological Gardens, Phase III, Seater Construction Co., Inc., contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 8-25-09: That Change Order No. 7 on Contract 52-07 (K7-061), Remodel Racine Zoological Gardens, Phase III, Seater Construction Co., Inc., contractor, be approved in the amount of \$45,780.31.

Further recommends that funding to defray the cost of this change order be appropriated from Account 930.054.5860, Zoo Remodel Phase III.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

Rick requested approval on Change Order No. 8 on Contract 52-07, Remodel Racine Zoological Gardens - Phase III. Rick described some of the circumstances with the remodel project and the delay in getting the change order approved.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the change order.

Recommended For Approval

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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