



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Mollie Jones
Alder John Tate II
Alder Amanda Paffrath
Alder Melissa Kaprelian
Alder Jeffrey Peterson
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Marcus West
Alder Terry McCarthy
Alder Sam Peete
Alder CJ Rouse
Alder Henry Perez
Alder Natalia Taft
Alder Alicia Jarrett
Alder Melissa Lemke

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

7:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke
EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

B. Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag

Mayor Mason led the council in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

C. Approval of Journal of Council Proceedings (Minutes) May 3rd, 2022

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Taft to Approve the Minutes. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Peterson, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

EXCUSED: 4 - Kaprelian, Horton, West and McCarthy

D. Proclamations

[0363-22](#)

Subject: June - Pride 2022

[0364-22](#)

Subject: June - Gun Violence Awareness 2022

E. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council:

Mercedes Dzindzeleta

F. Presentation from Public Health Administrator Bowersox

G. Committee Reports

Office of the Mayor Report, by Ald. Tate, II

[0351-22](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Mayor Mason recommending that the Common Council rescind the requirements of Resolution 0690-21, dated September 7, 2021, Requirement that City of Racine Employees Comply with Certain COVID-19 Public Health Protections.

Recommendation from Mayor Mason on 05/17/2022: That the requirements of Resolution 0690-21, dated September 7, 2021, be rescinded effective 11:59 p.m., May 17, 2022.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Jones, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft and Jarrett

NOES: 1 - Lemke

EXCUSED: 3 - Kaprelian, West and McCarthy

[0350-22](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Transit Manager, requesting permission to apply for funding through the Federal Transit Administration's FFY22 Low or No Emission Vehicle Program - 5339(c) for the purchase of 5 35 ft fixed-route electric transit buses.

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Total cost of electric bus purchase \$4,045,000 with grant amount being \$3,438,250, 20% local match of \$687,650 available in the capital plan under 45010-59600.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Taft, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

[0352-22](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the MIS Chief Operation Officer, requesting to amend item and resolution #0190-22, at the request of the vendor, to include more specific verbiage as attached.

Staff Recommendation: To Approve the amended verbiage.

Fiscal Note: No change in cost from the original adoption of item 0190-22.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Taft, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

[0353-22](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason submitting the following appointments:

Chelsea Powell to the Transit Commission for a term ending May 31, 2025

Holly Maurer to the Board of Review for a term ending April 30, 2027

Alder Rouse to the Due Process Board for a term ending April 30, 2023

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Horton, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Taft

[0276-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf the Chief Information Officer, requesting permission to award a sole source three-year contract, 2022052, to Azteca Systems, LLC to purchase Cityworks.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign a contract, 2022052 with Azteca Systems, LLC to purchase Cityworks.

Fiscal Note: This is a three-year contract with a total cost of \$321,299.05. Funds are available in account #70113-54500 for FY 2022 and costs for subsequent years will be appropriated during the annual budget process.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0279-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Finance Director, requesting authorization to carry forward various budget items from 2021 to 2022.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the resolution authorizing 2021 to 2022 budget carryovers be approved.

Fiscal Note: These are budget carryovers for commitments that were existing, encumbered and funded in prior years as well as projects that have spending periods over one year in length. There is existing funding in place for this action.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0303-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Tate II, on behalf of the City Clerk, requesting Ord.0006-22 Decennial District Boundary Modifications Revision, be adopted.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0308-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Chief of Police, to apply for the 2023 Bullet Proof Vest Partnership Grant (Grant Control #00442).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the 2023 Bullet Proof Vest Partnership Grant.

Fiscal Note: The grant is in the amount of \$51,540 with a required city match of \$51,540, which will be funded through the 2022 Racine Police Department General Fund.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0309-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, requesting permission to apply for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation grant. Amount to be determined based on feedback of our pre-proposal application, typical grant awards are between \$100,000-\$300,000 (Grant Control #00443).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Finance & Personnel Committee authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to apply for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation-North Beach & Zoo Beach Shoreline Restoration grant. Amount to be determined (Grant Control #00443).

Fiscal Note: Grant total of \$100,000-\$300,000 and City Match based on feedback of our pre-proposal application. Reserved funding available in 2022 CIP, if needed.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0310-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, requesting permission to apply for the Federal US Fish & Wildlife Service-Coastal Program for the City of Racine-Pershing Park Ecological Restoration grant in the amount of \$150,000 (Grant Control #00444).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Finance & Personnel Committee authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to apply for the grant of \$150,000 from US Fish & Wildlife Service-Coastal Program for the City of Racine-Pershing Park Ecological Restoration (Grant Control #00444).

Fiscal Note: Grant total of \$150,000, with no city match required. Reserved funding available in 2022 CIP, if needed.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0333-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the City Clerk, submitting the bid received for printing the Common Council Proceedings and legal notices for the period of June 01, 2022 through May 31, 2023.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

5-9-2022: That City Clerk be authorized to award the bid to The Journal Times, they being the sole and lowest responsible bidder.

Fiscal Note: Prices have increased for published advertisements from \$.63 per line for the first insertion to \$.86 per line for the first insertion, from \$.62 per line for each subsequent insertion to \$.68 per line for each subsequent insertion, affidavit fee \$1.00, 3 copies of each session of the Common Council from \$16.50 per page to \$17.50 per page, and bound books from \$71.00 per book to \$73.00 per book.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0334-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Fire Chief, requesting to waive formal bidding to acquire a new Ford/Horton Medical Response Unit from Foster Coach of Sterling, Illinois to replace a mechanically failed rescue squad that is now out of service.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

5-9-2022: That the Purchasing Agent be directed to waive formal bidding and negotiate with Foster Coach of Sterling, Illinois for the acquisition of a new medical response unit (rescue squad) with funding coming from the 2021 CIP Carryover Funds.

Fiscal Note: Total Spend is anticipated at \$285,000 with funding available in account 45030-57310.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0335-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Assistant Director of Human Resources, requesting permission to reclassify the position of Transit Manager from Grade L to Grade O on the compensation structure and change the title of the position to Transit and Mobility Director.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

5-9-2022: To approve reclassifying the position of Transit Manager from Grade L to Grade O on the compensation structure and change the title of the position to Transit and Mobility Director.

Fiscal Note: Funds are included in the 2022 budget. Salary range for a Grade O is \$88,083 to \$113,254.

A motion was made by Alder Taft, seconded by Alder Rouse, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

NOES: 2 - Peterson and Perez

EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

[0336-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Transit Manager, requesting permission to apply for funding through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's FFY22 Surface Transportation Program for replacement RYDE Racine paratransit vehicles.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Transit Manager be granted permission to apply for funding through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's FFY22 Surface Transportation Program for replacement paratransit vehicles (Grant Control #00446).

Fiscal Note: Total cost of vehicle replacement project \$310,472 with grant amount being \$248,378, 20% local match of \$62,094 available in the capital plan under 45010 59600.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0337-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to accept the WI ARPA Grant (#00436).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to accept the WI ARPA Grant.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$295,850.47. No City match is required.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0338-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting to meet with the Finance and Personnel Committee to address a modification to a previously-approved settlement with Central States, Southeast, and Southwest Areas Pension Fund.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 5-9-2022: That the City Attorney be authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The

motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Jones

[0302-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Chief Building Inspector, requesting the bid for Contract 2022016 Tall Weeds be awarded to Four Season Lawn Care.

Staff Recommendation to the Public Works and Services Committee on 05-10-22: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Funding for these services is budgeted in 2022 under 22560-52200

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0325-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2022044 - Downtown Lighting Improvements.

Staff Recommendation to the Public Works and Services Committee on 05-10-22: That Contract 2022044 - Downtown Lighting Improvements, be awarded to WIL-surge Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$66,987.00, they being the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in Org-Obj 45040 57520 Replace City Circuits.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0326-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2022049 - Kinzie - Roosevelt Private Drainage Improvements.

Staff Recommendation to the Public Works and Services Committee on 05-10-22: Since no bids were received on this contract, that the project be re-bid.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0327-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting the final resolution for the following street assessments:

Portland Cement Concrete Paving (PCCP)

Belmont Avenue from Eisenhower Dr. to Spring St.
 Eaton Lane from Rapids Dr. to Romaine Ave.*
 Eaton Lane from Romaine Ave. to Cul-de-sac*
 Olive Street from Grove Ave. to Dead End
 Olive Street from Illinois St. to Oregon St.
 Roosevelt Avenue from Cul-de-sac to Byrd Ave.
 Thunderbird Drive from Dead End to Marquette St.
 Winthrop Avenue from Carpenter Ave. to Gates Ct.*
 Alley - Slauson Ave to Washington Ave; Taylor Ave to Phillips Ave

* Coordination with the Village of Mt. Pleasant required.

Bituminous Concrete Paving

Belmont Avenue from Eisenhower Dr. to Spring St.
 Eaton from Rapids Dr. to Romaine Ave*
 Eaton Lane from Romaine Ave. to Cul-de-sac*
 Olive Street from Grove Ave. to Dead End
 Olive Street from Illinois St. to Oregon St.
 Roosevelt Avenue from Cul-de-sac to Byrd Ave.
 Thunderbird Drive from Dead End to Marquette St.
 Winthrop Avenue from Carpenter Ave. to Gates Ct.*

* Coordination with the Village of Mt. Pleasant required.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0328-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 20200027- 2020 Sanitary and Storm Sewer CIPP Lining, Musson Brothers, Inc., Contractors.

Staff Recommendation to the Public Works and Services

Committee on 05-10-22: That the work completed by Musson Brothers Inc., on Contract 20200027, 2020 Sanitary and Storm Sewer CIPP Lining, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$454,725.93. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 20200027 was authorized under Resolution No.0237-20, dated March 19, 2020

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

Public Safety and Licensing Committee Report, by Ald. Kaprelian

[0193-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder McCarthy, on behalf of Cari Greving, from Mt. Pleasant Tourism Commission, regarding the Great Lakes Watercross event. This event is requesting use of the Kid's Cove parking lot and North Beach sand and water from June 17th-19th.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Service on April 13, 2022: Recommend that the request regarding Great Lakes Watercross event with the use of the Kid's Cove parking lot and North Beach sand and water from June 17th-19th be approved, provided PRCS administration is in agreement with specific location details and that approval is also granted by other impacted departments.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Service on May 09, 2022: That the request regarding Great Lakes Watercross event with the use of the Kid's Cove parking lot and North Beach sand and water from June 17th-19th be approved.

Fiscal Note: Applicable fees to be determined by PRCS Administration

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0311-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder McCarthy submitting renewal requests for intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages for the 2022-2023 year.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 05-09-2022: That the Communication sponsored by Alder McCarthy submitting renewal requests for intoxicating liquor and fermented malt beverages for the 2022-2023 year be approved with the exceptions as listed below:

Hillside Entertainment: "Class B" - Due to not having original application approved.

The Fifteen Eighteen LLC: "Class B" - Due to not having an operating business since approval in July 2021.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board Report, by Ald. Tate, II

[0341-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason regarding an

amendment to the CDBG Micro-Enterprise Assistance contract with Legacy Redevelopment Corporation for the existing 2020 CDBG allocation..

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 5/9/2022: To approve the contract amendment to allow for loan products to be shifted from amortizing loans to five-year forgivable loans with required technical assistance.

Fiscal Note: The total CDBG budget will remain unchanged.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0342-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason regarding an amendment to the contract created under Res. 0177-19 with the Racine Revitalization Partnership to increase the loan amount and extend the construction deadline.

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 5/9/2022:

That the contract amendment to extend the deadline for initiating construction activities to 12/31/2022 and add up to \$105,604.57 in program income for a total contract amount of up to \$456,604.54 be approved.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient CDBG funds to fund the staff recommendation.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0343-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting amendments to the CDBG, ESG, CDBG-CV, and ESG-CV Contracts executed pursuant Resolution No. 0673-20, 0519-20, 0393-20 and 0275-21 to extend the expiration dates until December 31, 2022. Agency contracts to be extended: Housing Resources, Inc. - Post Purchase Counseling/Mortgage Assistance; Housing Resources, Inc. - City of Racine Financial Empowerment Center; Legal Action of Wisconsin - Keeping Wisconsin at Home (Foreclosure and Eviction Legal Services); YWCA - YWCA Southeast Wisconsin's 5.09 High School Equivalency Diploma (HSED) Program; HALO - ESG-CV; Lutheran Social Services - ESG-CV; and HALO- ESG 2020.

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 5/9/2022:

That the amendments to the CDBG, ESG, CDBG-CV and ESG-CV contracts to extend the expiration dates until December 31, 2022 be approved.

Fiscal Note: The total CDBG, ESG, CDBG-CV, and ESG-CV contract budgets will remain unchanged.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[0344-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting an allocation of up to \$40,000 to Racine Neighborhood Watch for the 2022 Racine Work Camp.

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 5/9/2022:

That the Mayor and City Clerk enter into a contract with Racine Neighborhood Watch pursuant to Federal, State, and local regulations.

Fiscal Note: Sufficient American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding was allocated for this purpose through Common Council Resolution No. 0909-21.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

Council Vote on Consent Agenda Items (Communications, Committee Reports, Resolutions)

A motion was made by Alder John Tate II, seconded by Alder Maurice Horton, that this be Considered as Reported Adopted by the following vote

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - West and McCarthy

I. Common Council Announcements

Announcements are limited to recognition of City residents and employees, memorials, and non-political community events. Discussion of matters related to governmental business is prohibited.

J. Adjourn

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM by Alder Tate II.
The next scheduled meeting of the Council is June 7, 2022.*