



# 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*

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Tuesday, May 31, 2022

7:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

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### Special Council Meeting

#### A. Call To Order

**PRESENT:** 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Jarrett and Lemke

**EXCUSED:** 1 - McCarthy

#### B. Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag

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

#### C. Communications

[0398-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason proposing that the Common Council pass a resolution to place a referendum on the August 9th, 2022 ballot to pose the question of increasing the property tax levy for the purpose of hiring 11 additional police officers and implementing crime prevention initiatives.

**Fiscal Note:** City tax levy for 2022 (to be collected in 2023) will increase by an estimated 3.53% percent, which would increase the City levy by \$2,000,000 over the past year's levy, for an estimated City tax levy of \$58,549,733 in 2022, and an additional \$150,000 per year for each fiscal year thereafter.

Alder Coe made a motion to change the 11 additional police to 6 additional Racine Police and 5 Racine Firefighters. The motion failed for a lack of second.

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

**AYES:** 9 - Jones, Tate II, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Taft and Lemke

**NOES:** 5 - Coe, Kaprelian, Rouse, Perez and Jarrett

**EXCUSED:** 1 - McCarthy

## D. Adjourn

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 PM by Mayor Mason.  
The next scheduled meeting of the Council is June 7th, 2022.*

*ATTEST: TARA COOLIDGE  
CITY CLERK*

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