



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chair Natalia Taft*  
*Vice Chair Marcus West*  
*Alder Sam Peete*  
*Alder Jason Meekma*  
*Alder John Tate II*

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Monday, March 7, 2022

5:30 PM

Virtual

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#### Call To Order

**PRESENT:** 3 - Chair Taft, Alder Peete and Alder Tate II

**EXCUSED:** 2 - Vice Chair West and Alder Meekma

#### Approval of Minutes for the February 21, 2022 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, to Approve the Minutes

[0132-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting the City accept a Wisconsin Department of Health Services COVID-19 Vaccination Community Outreach grant. (Grant Control #00403).

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 3-7-2022:** That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a agreement with Wisconsin Department of Health Services for a COVID-19 Vaccination Community Outreach grant.

**Fiscal Note:** \$100,000 in grant resources and requires no City match.

*Chief of Staff/Communications Director Powell, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.*

**A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval.**

[0155-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Assistant Director of City Development, seeking permission to apply for the US EPA Brownfield Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (BC-RLF) Supplemental Grant for the City of Racine. (Grant Control # 00431)

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 3-7-2022:** That the Assistant Director of City Development, or his designee, be authorized to act on behalf of the City to submit to the US EPA an application for supplemental grant funding for the BC-RLF, sign

all forms and documents necessary, pay all fees, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, complete, and submit the supplemental grant application.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no cost associated with applying for supplemental funding. If awarded, the funds will be used by the City to loan to developers subject to a 20% funding match.

*Assistant Director of City Development Rejc, Associate Planner Cook, City Development Project Facilitator Lechner, and Mayor Mason appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.*

**A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval.**

[0141-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement between the City of Racine and the Community Development Authority of the City of Racine (CDA) regarding coordination and cooperation.

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 3-7-2022:** The Mayor and City Clerk enter into an agreement between the City of Racine and the Community Development Authority of the City of Racine regarding coordination and cooperation and that the ABM and related agreement be revised, by request of the committee, to eliminate the reference to any other TID's that are created by the City of Racine for neighborhood conservation and to include language to ensure compliance with the approved TID project plan.

**Fiscal Note:** The City may charge the CDA for work provided based on substantiated hours and rate of pay.

*Assistant Director of City Development Rejc, and Mayor Mason appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.*

**A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval.**

[0145-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, Alder Jones, Alder Horton, Alder Lemke, Alder Taft, Alder McCarthy, and Alder Meekma on behalf of the Human Resources Benefits Manager, requesting to appear before the Finance and Personnel Committee to discuss an increase in paid parental leave offered.

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 3-7-2022:** That the paid parental leave offered for non-represented employees be increased from 80 hours to 320 hours.

**Fiscal Note:** For the remainder of 2022, the salary and fringe benefit

associated with this wellness related benefit will be charged to the insurance fund. Sufficient funds are available in the insurance fund to cover any costs for 2022. While costs will fluctuate from year to year, we will use 2022 to forecast a budget methodology for subsequent years.

*Human Resources Benefits Manager Lien, Finance Director Fischer, City Administrator Vornholt and Mayor Mason, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.*

**A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, that this file be Recommended For Approval.**

[0153-22](#)

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Melissa Lemke on behalf of the Director of Parks & Recreation, requesting permission to apply for a Sustain Our Great Lakes Program grant in the amount of \$200,000 from National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Grant control #00432

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 3-7-2022:** That the Director of Parks & Recreation be authorized to apply for a Sustain Our Great Lakes Program grant in the amount of \$200,000 from National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Grant control #00432

**Fiscal Note:** The grant amount is \$200,000 and no city match is required.

*Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Molbeck, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.*

**A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval.**

### Adjournment

**There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:15p.m. The next schedule meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Alder Taft, Chair**

**Finance & Personnel Committee**