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Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance and Personnel Committee

Chair Marcus West
Vice Chair Maurice Horton
Alder Mary Land
Alder Amanda Paffrath
Alder Terry McCarthy

Monday, February 26, 2024

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 303

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Land, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

Approval of Minutes for the January 29, 2024 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land, to Approve the minutes.

[0169-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the City Administrator, requesting that the Mayor and City Clerk be granted permission to execute a Management Agreement for the Racine Civic Centre between the City of Racine and 5KEvents.Org, LLC under the subsidiary Festival Park, LLC, under the terms presented.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Mayor and City Clerk be granted permission to execute a Management Agreement for the Racine Civic Centre between the City of Racine and 5KEvents.Org, LLC under the subsidiary Festival Park, LLC, under the terms presented for the period ending 12/31/2025.

Fiscal Note: Annual base management fee is \$150,000 per year. Funding will be made available through a transfer of \$70,000 from Funding 60686 52285 Operating Subsidy to account #60686 52290 Management Fee for a total of \$150,000 and was approved December 5, 2023, pursuant to Resolution 1123-23.

City Administrator Vornholt, 5KEvents.Org, LLC Representative, and Alder Perez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Horton, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0170-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Administrator, requesting permission to continue the agreement with Wisconsin Humane Society (WHS) for Stray and

Impound Animal Shelter Services in the amount of \$216,039.10.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Public Health Administrator be granted permission to continue the agreement with Wisconsin Humane Society for Stray and Impound Animal Shelter Services in the amount of \$216,039.10.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account #120 52275 Animal Control.

Public Health Administrator Bowersox, Wisconsin Humane Society Representative, Alder Kaprelian, and Alder Perez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0179-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Chief Information Officer, requesting permission to apply for the 2024 Talent for Tomorrow: Digital Equity Challenge Grant (Grant Control #00559).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Chief Information Officer be granted permission to apply for the 2024 Talent for Tomorrow: Digital Equity Challenge Grant (Grant Control #00559).

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$75,000. No match required.

Chief Information Officer Edwards, and Alder Kaprelian, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Paffrath, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0168-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Transit & Mobility Director, requesting permission to apply for the Wisconsin Public Service Commission Energy Innovation Grant for energy project planning and implementation (Grant Control #00558).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Transit & Mobility Director be granted permission to apply for the Wisconsin Public Service Commission Energy Innovation Grant for energy project planning and implementation (Grant Control #00558).

Fiscal Note: Grant amount of \$350,000 with soft match of \$50,000 through existing EV fleet lease agreement.

Transit & Mobility Director Jung, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder McCarthy, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0159-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe, on behalf of the Assistant Director of City Development, requesting permission for the City to sell the property at 1205 Schiller Street to the adjacent property owners at 1201 Schiller Street, Panfila Victor and Jose Tellez.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Assistant Director of City Development be granted permission to sell the property at 1205 Schiller Street to the adjacent property owners at 1201 Schiller Street, Panfila Victor and Jose Tellez and that the appropriate City Staff be authorized to execute all necessary documents related to the sale.

Fiscal Note: The City will receive \$4,000.00 in proceeds for the sale of the property.

City Development Assistant Director Hintz, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Land, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0139-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Assistant Director of City Development, requesting permission for the City to receive the properties addressed as 1101 Hamilton Street (Parcel #03004000) and 812 Hamilton Street (Parcel #01975000) from the County of Racine and transfer the property to Habitat for Humanity for the purpose of redevelopment.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the Assistant Director of City Development be granted permission to receive the properties addressed as 1101 Hamilton Street and 812 Hamilton Street from the County of Racine to the City of Racine, and that the properties be transferred to Habitat for Humanity for the purpose of redevelopment.

Fiscal Note: Habitat for Humanity will reimburse the City for title transfer, recording or any other applicable fees, estimated at approximately \$30 per parcel.

City Development Assistant Director Hintz, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Paffrath, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0173-24](#)

Subject: Communication from Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting authorization to continue the self-insured workers

compensation program under the Wisconsin Workers Compensation Act.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: To grant authorization for the City of Racine to continue the self-insured worker's compensation program under the Wisconsin Workers Compensation Act.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Attorney Letteney, and Alder Perez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Horton, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0098-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Stephanie J. Auer for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder McCarthy, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0099-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Gregory C. Jackson for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Horton, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

Closed Session

It is intended that the Finance and Personnel Committee will convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes section 19.85(1)(g) to discuss strategy for litigation in which the City of Racine is or is likely to be involved.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Horton, to go into Closed Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 5 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Land, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

[0172-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney present a proposed settlement for the workers compensation and duty disability claims of Brian Isenberg.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-26-2024: To approve the settlement as discussed.

Fiscal Note: Indemnity payment of \$130,000 to Lt. Isenberg; certification by City of Duty Disability application once filed by Lt. Isenberg; Continued health insurance per City policy with reimbursement for out of pocket expenses related to future treatment of the knees; reimbursement of out of pocket expenses and a hold harmless against the health plan reimbursement/subrogation interest, and for any unpaid expenses, the City reserves the right to process those bills under health insurance, or request a bill review or negotiate with the providers. The indemnity payment and out of pocket expenses shall be paid from Account 11201 51400, Workers Compensation.

City Attorney Letteney, BBC Law Attorney Christopher Behrens, and Alder Perez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder McCarthy, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

Open Session

The Finance and Personnel Committee will return to open session and may take action on any item discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder West, to go into Open Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 5 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Land, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:25p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Alder West, Chair

Finance & Personnel Committee