



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Mollie Jones
Alder John Tate II
Alder Edwin Santiago Jr
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 Jason Meekma
Alder Melissa Lemke

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

7:00 PM

Virtually

Public Registration Link:

<https://cityofracine-org.zoom.us/j/87190371221>

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 15 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

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

December 17th, 2021

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

AYES: 15 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

D. Proclamations

[0038-22](#)

Subject: MLK Day

E. Public Comments

There were no people who appeared to speak before the Common Council

F. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Taft

0021-22

Subject: Communication from Mayor Mason proposing that the selection of representatives and determination of appropriate units for collective bargaining for City of Racine transit employees be authorized.

Recommendation to the (Transit Commission/Finance and Personnel Committee) on 1-10-22: To authorize the selection of representatives and determination of appropriate units for collective bargaining for City of Racine transit employees.

Fiscal Note: N/A - Funding for transit operations was authorized in the City of Racine 2022 annual budget.

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

AYES: 15 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

0022-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason proposing that the management of RYDE Racine operations be transitioned from a private transit management contractor to the City of Racine administration and staff effective February 1, 2022.

Recommendation to the (Transit Commission/Finance and Personnel Committee) on 1-10-22: To authorize the management of RYDE Racine operations be transitioned from a private transit management contractor to the City of Racine administration and staff effective February 1, 2022.

Fiscal Note: Funding for transit operations was authorized in the City of Racine 2022 annual budget.

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

AYES: 15 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

0983-21

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting to accept for the 2021 Walmart Community Grant sponsored. (Grant Control #00406).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: Approval to accept the 2021 Walmart Community Grant.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$3,500.00. **City Match:** None

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

[0988-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by AlderTaft, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Stephanie Munoz for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0989-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by AlderTaft, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Tina Anderson for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0990-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by AlderTaft, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Robert Sackett for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0009-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft on behalf of the Chief Information Officer requesting permission to enter into a sole source professional services agreement, Contract # 2022021, with Pictometry

International Corp. to complete an aerial fly over.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign the professional services agreement, Contract # 2022021 with Pictometry International Corp. to complete an aerial fly over of the City of Racine.

Fiscal Note: Total cost of \$82,000 is budgeted in the 2022 operating budget under 70113-52100.

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

AYES: 15 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

0010-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft on behalf of the Chief Information Officer requesting permission to award Contract #2022014 - Surveillance Camera and Access Point Installation and Maintenance to ClearCom, Code Red Security, and Complex Security Solutions.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign the contacts with ClearCom, Code Red Security, and Complex Security Solutions to provide Surveillance Camera and Access Point Installation and Maintenance.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this work is budgeted in 2022 under 70113-57355.

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

0011-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft on behalf of the Chief Information Officer requesting permission to award Contract #2022017 - Fiber Cabling Installation and Maintenance to ClearCom.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign the contact with ClearCom to provide Fiber Cabling Installation and Maintenance.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this work is budgeted in 2022 under 70113-57355.

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

[0012-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft on behalf of the Chief Information Officer requesting permission to award Contract #2022018 - Structured/Low Voltage Cabling Installation and Maintenance to Allcon LLC, ClearCom, and CC&N.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign the contact with Allcon LLC, ClearCom, and CC&N to provide Structured/Low Voltage Cabling Installation and Maintenance.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this work is budgeted in 2022 under 70113-57355.

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

[0013-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft on behalf of the Chief Information Officer requesting permission to award Contract # 2022019 - Conference Room and Misc. Office Equipment Installation and Maintenance to ClearCom.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute and sign the contact with ClearCom to provide Conference Room and Misc. Office Equipment Installation and Maintenance.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this work is budgeted in 2022 under 70113-57355.

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

[0025-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored Alder Taft on behalf of the fire department requesting permission to apply for the 2021 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) SAFER Grant (Grant Control #0424).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-10-2022: To Approve

Fiscal Note: This grant is for \$3,200,000.00 and will restore the nine firefighter/paramedic positions lost in the 2021 fire department. Per the 2021 AFG SAFER grant guidance document there is NO maintenance of effort and no cost share or match.

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

Closed Session

The Common Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g), to confer with legal counsel concerning strategy with respect to litigation in which the City of Racine is involved.

[0015-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney meet with the Finance and Personnel Committee concerning litigation in which the City is involved, specifically *Oertel v City of Racine*, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin Case No. 2:21-CV-00774.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 01-10-2022: To accept and approve the settlement agreement as presented in closed session.

Fiscal Note: The settlement amount of \$135,000 shall be paid from Account 11202-53500, Misc - Judgment & Claims

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

Open Session

If the Common Council convenes in closed session the Common Council will return to open session and may take action on any item discussed in closed session.

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Jones[0991-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2021097-2021 CCTV Inspection.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That Contract 2021097-2021 CCTV Inspection, be awarded to Green Bay Pipe & TV, LLC, in the amount of \$175,238.88, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Obj:

\$80,805.09 22640 57560 Sanitary Sewers
\$94,433.79 60484 57570 Storm Sewers
\$175,238.88 Total

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

motion was Approved on Voice Vote in Consent.

[0992-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2021096-CIPP Lining (RWP).

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That Contract 2021096- 2021 CIPP Lining, be awarded to Visu-Sewer, in the amount of \$872,239.28, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Obj
\$495,000.00 40101 57560 Sanitary Sewers
\$377,239.28 22640 57560 Sanitary Sewers
\$872,239.28 Total

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

[0993-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2021048 - 2021 Street Lighting, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That the work completed by Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc. on Contract 2021048, 2021 Street Lighting, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$98,769.00. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2021048 was authorized under Resolution No.516-21, dated July 20, 2021.

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

[0994-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2021036 -Humble Park HVAC Upgrades, United Mechanical Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That the work completed by United Mechanical, Inc., on Contract 2021036, Humble Park HVAC Upgrades, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$81,538.00. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2021036 was authorized under Resolution

No.0358-21, dated May 18, 2021.

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

[0995-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2021031 - Roof Replacement - Penguin Meerkat Building, Carlson Racine Roofing, Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That the work completed by Carlson Racine Roofing, on Contract 2021031, Roof Replacement - Penguin Meerkat Building, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$20,979.00. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2021031 was authorized under Resolution No.0355-21, dated May 18, 2021.

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

[0996-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the City Engineer, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021048 - 2021 Street Lighting, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021048 - 2021 Street Lighting, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., Contractor, be approved in the deduct amount of (\$10,361.94).

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is credited in the following 45040 57520 Replace City Circuits.

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

[0997-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021036 - Humble Park HVAC Upgrades, United Mechanical, Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021036 - Humble Park HVAC Upgrades, United Mechanical, Inc., Contractor be approved in the amount of \$2,239.00

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in 45050 57200 Humble Park HVAC.

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

[0998-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021032 - Roof Replacement 1415 Hampden Place, H.I.S Comp, Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-11-22: That Change Order No.1 to Contract 2021032 - Roof Replacement 1415 Hampden Place, H.I.S Comp, Contractor, be approved in the amount of \$9,255.11.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the following Org-Obj 45040 57200 - Building Improvements

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

[0006-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, requesting a preliminary resolution for paving the following streets in 2023:

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.*

* Coordination with the Village of Mt. Pleasant required.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 1-11-22: That a preliminary resolution be introduced for the paving of streets listed above.

Fiscal Note: These are assessable city projects; all costs will be paid by the abutting property. The Village of Mt. Pleasant has agreed to improve their portion of the Eaton Ln.(2) and Winthrop Ave. in conjunction with the City's construction projects if approved.

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

[0008-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones requesting the City

provide free parking in the Racine Public Library's parking lot and five spaces/meters on Lake Ave., during the Library's normal operating hours, on Thursdays from January 27th through April 7, 2022, to allow the United Way of Racine County's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program to serve residents at the Racine Public Library.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 1-11-22: To approve

Fiscal Note: There will be a loss of parking revenue estimated at \$900.

A motion was made by Alder Jones seconded by Alder McCarthy, that this Communication be Amended with the item to change verbiage from Lake St to Lake Ave; 4 Spaces to 5 Spaces; \$2640 to \$900. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Horton

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

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Horton

0014-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works, submitting a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Racine and The Concord Group in the not to exceed amount of \$70,000, for a DPW Campus Conceptual Study.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 1-11-22: That the Public Works and Services Committee approve the professional services agreement and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement between the City of Racine and The Concord Group for a DPW Campus Conceptual Study.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in Org Obj 45040 57110 DPW Campus Relocation

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

Planning Heritage and Design Report, by Ald. Peete

0016-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of Ed

Miller, representing Racine Revitalization Partnership, for a Mini-Planned Development to construct three town homes with zero foot lot lines at properties of 1107-12th Street, 1103- 12th Street, and 1204 Highland Avenue as allowed by Sec. 1114-308 of the municipal Code (PHDC-22).

Recommendation of the Planning, Heritage, and Design

Commission on 01-12-22: That the request of Ed Miller of Racine Revitalization Partnership for a planned unit development to build three townhomes at 1204 Highland Avenue be approved, subject to conditions a-e.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0018-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of Dajerrian Smith, representing Grind Season Sports and Fitness Center, for a conditional use permit to operate a physical fitness center to include an aerobic room, field turf, basketball court, cardio room, and weight room at 2917 Durand Avenue, in the shopping center addressed as 2829 Durand Avenue, as allowed by Sec. 114-468 of the Municipal Code. (PHDC-22)

Recommendation of the Planning, Heritage, and Design

Commission on 01-12-22: That the request by Dajerrian Smith, representing Grind Season Sports and Fitness Center, to operate a physical fitness center in a tenant space at the shopping center addressed as 2829 Durand Avenue be approved, subject to conditions a.-i.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0024-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Department of City Development for approval of a public participation plan for the City of Racine's Comprehensive Plan Update. (PHDC-22)

Recommendation of the Planning, Heritage, and Design

Commission on 01-12-22: That the resolution adopting public participation procedures for amending the comprehensive plan be approved.

Fiscal Note: The comprehensive plan amendment and all associated work is funded in full with PO 2100624.

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

G. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Kaprelian, Peterson, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Horton

H. 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.

I. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 P.M. by Mayor Mason

The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Tuesday February 1, 2022.

ATTEST: TARA COOLIDGE

CITY CLERK