



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee of the Whole

*Council President Alderman Dennis Wisser,
Alderman Jeff Coe, Alderman Mollie Jones, Alderman Michael
Shields, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Steve Smetana,
Alderman Sandy Weidner, Alderman Raymond DeHahn,
Alderman QA Shakoor II, Alderman Terry McCarthy, Alderman
Mary Land, Alderman Henry Perez, Alderman James
Morgenroth, Alderman Ron Hart, Alderman Melissa Lemke*

Tuesday, February 2, 2016

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

Ald. McCarthy arrived at 6:40 pm, and Ald. Lemke arrived at 6:48 pm

PRESENT: 14 - Jeff Coe, Michael Shields, Jim Kaplan, Sandy Weidner, Alderman Raymond DeHahn, Q.A. Shakoor II, Terry McCarthy, President Dennis Wisser, Henry Perez, James Morgenroth, Steve Smetana, Mary Land, Melissa Lemke and Mollie Jones

EXCUSED: 1 - Ronald Hart

Approval of Minutes for the November 11, 2015 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Coe, seconded by Alderman Kaplan, that this file be to Approve the Minutes

[13-9668](#)

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 5th District requesting a meeting of the Committee of the Whole to review and discuss the budget process. The goal of the discussion would be to improve the level of information provided to the Common Council and to provide an opportunity earlier in the process for input from the aldermen.

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 02-13-2014:
The Item be deferred.

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 02-02-2016:
The Item be deferred, pending Aldermen providing suggestions to the City Administrator no later than April 29, 2016; that staff review such suggestions through May 31, 2016, and the Aldermen and staff work together to implement changes through June 30, 2016.

Fiscal Note: N/A

motion to defer pending review by staff.

motion amended to have Aldermen provide suggestions to the City Administrator no

later than April 29, 2016; that staff review such suggestions through May 31, 2016, and the Aldermen and staff work together to implement changes through June 30, 2016

A motion was made by Alderman Shields, seconded by Alderman Perez, that this file be Deferred

[15-00868](#)

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 12th District proposing to change Section 2-112, Limitation on Debate, to read as follows: "No member shall speak more than twenty times at the same meeting on any question except by leave of the Common Council."

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 02-02-2016:
the Item be Received and Filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alderman Perez, seconded by Alderman Shields, that this Communication be Recommended For Approval. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

- AYES:** 6 - Michael Shields, Jim Kaplan, Sandy Weidner, Henry Perez, Steve Smetana and Mollie Jones
- NOES:** 7 - Jeff Coe, Alderman Raymond DeHahn, Q.A. Shakoor II, Terry McCarthy, James Morgenroth, Mary Land and Melissa Lemke
- EXCUSED:** 1 - Ronald Hart

[15-01069](#)

Subject: communication from the Alderman of the 11th District requesting that the Common Council approve a resolution opposing extension of disastrous trade policies.

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 02-02-2016:
the Item be Deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alderman Coe, seconded by Alderman Kaplan, that this file be Deferred

Adjournment