



City of Racine

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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, August 7, 2023

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 303

Call To Order

Approval of Minutes for the July 10, 2023 Meeting.

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

PRESENT: 4 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Land

[0785-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, requesting permission to enter into a Data Sharing Agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development and the City of Racine.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a Data Sharing Agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development and the City of Racine.

Fiscal Note: There is no cost to the City.

City Administrator Vornholt, and Higher Expectations Representative Ben Taft, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

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

[0634-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, requesting to apply and accept an absentee ballot envelope sub-grant reimbursement from the Wisconsin Election Commission (Grant #00516).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the 2023 absentee ballot envelope sub-grant reimbursement program MOU and apply and accept sub-grant funding through the Wisconsin

Election Commission.

Fiscal Note: The grant will reimburse up to \$7,443.11 - No city match required.

City Clerk/Treasury Manager McMEnamin, 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.

[0779-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, requesting permission to adopt the City of Racine Election Official Handbook.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Common Council approve and adopt the City of Racine Election Official Handbook as amended to include: 1) A Reference of State Statute, 2) Wording around 1099 vendors, 3) Clarifying language on "Chain of Command" specifically in regards to mis-information claims.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Clerk/Treasury Manager McMEnamin, and Customer Service Representative Olsen, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

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

[0780-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, submitting the bid received for printing the Common Council Proceedings and legal notices through May 31, 2024.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the City Clerk be authorized to award the bid to The Journal Times, they being the sole and lowest responsible bidder.

Fiscal Note: Rates as attached are currently budgeted for 2023 and will be included in the 2024 budget.

City Clerk/Treasury Manager McMEnamin, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

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

[0778-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Human Resources Benefits Manager, presenting the United Healthcare (UHC) Medicare Advantage plan renewal agreement for approval.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

08-07-2023: That the Human Resources Dept. be authorized to approve the United Healthcare (UHC) Medicare Advantage plan renewal agreement as presented.

Fiscal Note: Renewal includes a premium increase of 3.8%. The proposed premium will be \$283.21 per member per month. Total annual cost for approximately 726 City members is \$2,467,325.52 and the total annual cost for approximately 103 members of the Utilities is \$350,047.56. Funds will be proposed in the 2024 budget.

Human Resources Benefits Manager Lien, Finance Director Fischer, and Alder Perez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

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

[0786-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Finance Director, requesting permission to submit the presentation of the final 4th Quarter 2022 Fiscal Results, the 1st and 2nd Quarter 2023 Fiscal Results and the March 2023 and June 2023 Investment summary.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Finance Director Fischer, 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 communication be Received and Filed.

[0788-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, requesting approval of a Determination of Necessity for acquisition of commercial properties for the Lincoln-King Neighborhood Redevelopment Project, specifically 1415 Hamilton Street, Parcel ID 276000003136000; 1440 West Street, Parcel ID 276000002615000; 1430 West Street, Parcel ID 276000002614000.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Determination of Necessity for acquisition of commercial properties for the Lincoln-King Neighborhood Redevelopment Project per approved.

Fiscal Note: To be determined.

City Attorney Letteney, Finance Director Fischer, and Alder Perez, 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.

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 currently involved.

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

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Land

[0784-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney present a proposed settlement for the litigation in the matter of *Evans v. Matson and Rasmussen*, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Case Number 2:20-cv-00476-LA.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: To approve the settlement as presented and authorize the City Attorney to execute a settlement agreement.

Fiscal Note: \$20,000 to be paid from 11202 53500 Judgment and Claims.

City Attorney Letteney, 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 settlement be **Recommended for Approval**.

[0782-23](#)

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

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

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

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Chair West, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Land

ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Vice Chair Horton

[0783-23](#)

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

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the claim be disallowed.

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 McCarthy, seconded by Alder West, that the disallowance of this claim 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 West, seconded by Alder McCarthy, to go into Open Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Chair West, Vice Chair Horton, Alder Paffrath and Alder McCarthy

EXCUSED: 1 - Alder Land

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:10p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Alder West, Chair

Finance & Personnel Committee