



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Mayor Cory Mason
Alderman Jeff Coe
Alderman Mollie Jones
Alderman John Tate II
Alderman Tracey Larrin
Alderman Steve Smetana
Alderman Sandy Weidner
Alderman Raymond DeHahn
Alderman Q.A. Shakoor II
Alderman Terry McCarthy
Alderman Dennis Wisner
Alderman Mary Land
Alderman Henry Perez
Alderman James Morgenroth
Alderman Jason Meekma
Alderman Melissa Lemke

Tuesday, November 21, 2017

7:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke
EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

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 (Minutes) for November 7, 2017

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman Coe, that this be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke
EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

D. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council:

Alex Hart-Upendo
Avery Upendo
Karee Upendo

Trevor Jung
Fabi Maldonado
Alfonso Gardner
Steve Avila
James DeMatthew
Colin McKenna
Ola Baiyewu
Carrie Glenn
Bill Lovdahl
Wendy Spencer
Mercedes Dzindzeleta
Ben Flegel
John Lehman
Stu Zadra
Denise Lockwood
Dennis Montey
Jim Venturini

E. Office of the City Clerk

[1129-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Clerk's office submitting the veto to turn mayor administrative staff into a communications staff person (pages 25,28, & 41) as follows: (Res. 0398-17)

Decrease Expense 11002-50100 Administrative- Salaries by 20,000 from 315,430 to 295,430

Decrease Expense 11002-50100 Administrative- Salaries by 25,099 from 315,430 to 290,331

Decrease Expense 11002-51010 Administrative- FICA by 1,837 from 21,788 to 19,951

Decrease Expense 11002-51100 Administrative- WRS by 1,682 from 19,796 to 18,114

Decrease Expense 11002-51200 Administrative- Health by 9,720 from 69,120 to 59,400

Increase Expense 11004-50100 Attorney- Salaries by 25,099 from 315,430 to 290,331

Increase Expense 11004-51010 Attorney- FICA by 1,837 from 21,788 to 19,951

Increase Expense 11004-51100 Attorney- WRS by 1,682 from 19,796 to 18,114

Increase Expense 11004-51200 Attorney- Health by 9,720 from 69,120 to 59,400

Decrease Revenue 11202-49330 Wage Provision Res Applied by 20,000 from 1,700,000 to 1,680,000

If the Mayor's veto is sustained, the Common Council may thereupon proceed to adopt a substitute.

Alderman Wisner requested that item 1129-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Wisner, seconded by Alderman Morgenroth, that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Coe, Tate II, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land and Morgenroth

NOES: 6 - Jones, Smetana, Weidner, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

1130-17

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Clerk's office submitting the veto for the new city attorney position (page 28) as follows: (Res. 0396-17)

Decrease Expense 11004-50100 Attorney- Salaries by 597,831 to 547,831

Increase Expense 11004-52100 Attorney- Professional Services by 50,000 from 250,000 to 300,000

If the Mayor's veto is sustained, the Common Council may thereupon proceed to adopt a substitute.

Alderman Wisner requested that item 1130-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Wisner, seconded by Alderman Morgenroth, that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Coe, Tate II, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land and Morgenroth

NOES: 6 - Jones, Smetana, Weidner, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

1122-17

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Clerk's office submitting the veto on the arena from the CIP, its language in the budget, and any other references as follows: (Res. 0397-17)

Decrease Expense 45260-59800 TRNS Component Unit by 2,500,000 from 2,500,000 to 0

Decrease Revenue 45260-49300 Fund Balance Applied by 1,604,369 from 1,604,369 to 0

Remove TID 21 Event Center Implementation for 2018, in the amount of 39,500,000 from the Redevelopment Authority Bond.

Remove TID 21 Event Center Implementation for 2018, in the amount of 2,300,000 from the TIF.

Remove TID 21 Event Center Implementation for 2018, in the amount of 2,500,000 from the TIF Backstopped with Intergovernmental.

Remove TID 21 Event Center Implementation for 2018, in the amount of 10,700,000 from the existing TIF reserves.

Remove Event Center allocation to RDA event center debt service for 2019-2033, in the amount of 12,800,000.

Remove Event Center contingency for 2018, in the amount of 2,500,000.

If the Mayor's veto is sustained, the Common Council may thereupon proceed to adopt a substitute.

Alderman Wisner requested that item 1122-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Wisner, seconded by Alderman Morgenroth, that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Coe, Tate II, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land and Morgenroth

NOES: 6 - Jones, Smetana, Weidner, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

F. Communications

Refer to Finance and Personnel Committee, by Ald. Shakoor II

[1085-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Guadalupe L. Jimenez for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.27.2017: The claim of Guadalupe L. Jimenez, 1415 Thurston Avenue for damages allegedly arising when a tree branch fell on her parked vehicle in the 1400 block of Thurston Avenue be denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

[1086-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Vevlon Days-Kimmons for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.27.2017: That the item be deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

[1098-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on November 9, 2017 requesting permission to accept a \$1,696 donation from Jean and Jeffrey Brehm for placement of a memorial park bench.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.27.2017: The Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services be granted permission to accept the \$1,696 donation from Jean and Jeffrey Brehm for placement of a memorial park bench.

Fiscal Note: Fund will be receipted in the Parks and Recreation Department.

Referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

Refer to Public Works and Services Committee, by Ald. McCarthy

[1094-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Jeff Collen, YMCA CEO, requesting to use City right-of-way on Saturday, June 16, 2018, for the 40th Annual Lighthouse Run. (Res. 0400-17)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

11-28-17: Permission be granted to the sponsor of the Lighthouse Run to use certain City streets for the period of 6:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, June 16, 2018, and to close the following streets:

Main Street from State Street to Sixth Street

Lake Avenue from 8th Street to State Street

State Street from Main Street to Lake Avenue

Main Street from State Street to 3 Mile Road (west side two traffic lanes will remain open for two-way traffic)

Dodge Street from Main Street to Michigan Boulevard

Michigan Boulevard from Dodge Street to Wolff Street

Wolff Street from Michigan Boulevard to North Main Street

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized and directed to communicate with the U.S. Coast Guard requesting permission to close Main Street Bridge to boat traffic for the period of 7:40 A.M. to 10:40 A.M. on Saturday, June 16, 2018, to satisfy the needs of this run.

Further recommends that this permission is granted with the following stipulations:

A. A hold harmless agreement be executed and a \$75.00 processing fee

paid.

B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.

C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.

D. The sponsor shall notify all abutting property owners seventy-two (72) hours in advance of this event.

E. The sponsor shall pay a \$1,400.00 special event fee.

F. If required, sponsor shall be responsible for submitting a Temporary Traffic Control Plan to the Engineering Department for approval, and providing and removing all temporary traffic control devices and detour signs.

G. If required, sponsor shall provide a detour plan for the closure of all State connecting Highways, arterial and collector streets to the City Engineer for approval.

H. If required, sponsor is responsible for cleaning the streets.

I. If required, sponsor shall install parking meter hoods or temporary parking signs at least 24 hours in advance of the event and if this is not done, sponsor is responsible for vehicle towing and parking violation expenses of the violators.

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works, City Engineer and Chief of Police provide limited assistance in the interest of public safety to implement this event in accordance with these stipulations.

Fiscal Note: There will be nominal costs to various City Departments, on a regular shift basis, to assist in implementing this event.

Referred to Public Works and Services Committee.

Refer to Public Safety and Licensing Committee, by Ald. Coe

[1084-17](#)

Subject: (New) Application for a Class "B" and "Class C" Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine License for The Egg Plant Cafe & Catering, located at 3751 Douglas Ave, Aaron Morris, Agent. (15th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-28-2017: That the (New) Application for a Class "B" and "Class C" Fermented Malt Beverage and Wine License for The Egg Plant Cafe & Catering, located at 3751 Douglas Ave, Aaron Morris, Agent be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

[1121-17](#)

Subject: (New) Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage

and Intoxicating Liquor License for The Branch 1501 LLC, dba The Branch at 1501, located at 1501 Washington Avenue, Kristina Campbell, Agent. (3rd District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-28-2017: That the (New) Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for The Branch 1501 LLC, dba The Branch at 1501, located at 1501 Washington Avenue, Kristina Campbell, Agent be deferred for two weeks to allow for the appeal period for the previous license holder to end on December 7, 2017 before granting the license.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Refer to Transit and Parking Commission, by Ald. DeHahn

[1100-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 5th District requesting to discuss the removal of all parking meters in the City of Racine.

Referred to the Transit and Parking Commission.

[1101-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting to discuss the Racine County Juror parking rates for 2018. **Samuel Christensen and Ashley Robash invited to the meeting.**

Referred to the Transit and Parking Commission.

G. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Shakoor II

[1029-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager requesting authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign an agreement with First Transit, Inc., for Transit Management Services for the Belle Urban System, The BUS, RYDE, contingent on City Attorney review. (Res. 0372-17)

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 10-18-17: Authorize and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement with First Transit, Inc. subject to City Attorney review.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 11.13.2017: Authorize and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement with First Transit, Inc. subject to City Attorney review.

Fiscal Note: New contract continues past practice of annual increases.

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

[1054-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Kelly Kruse, representing Business Improvement District No. 1, Downtown, for approval of its proposed 2018 Operating Plan. (Res. 0382-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.13.2017: The proposed 2018 Operating Plan for Business Improvement District No. 1, Downtown Racine, be approved and that the Finance Director be authorized to place special charges amounting to \$192,000 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated \$192,000.00 will be raised through bid assessments, \$4,000.00 will be raised through Tree Sponsorship, \$10,000.00 will be raised through uncategorized income to be placed into the Downtown Bid's revenue account.

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

[1055-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Devin Sutherland, representing Business Improvement District No. 3, Uptown, for approval of its proposed 2018 Operating Plan. (Res. 0383-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.13.2017: The 2018 Operating Plan for the Uptown Business Improvement District No. 3 be approved and that the Finance Director be authorized to place special charges amounting to \$35,000 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated that \$35,000.00 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Uptown Business revenue account.

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

[1056-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Devin Sutherland, representing Business Improvement District No. 4, Douglas Avenue, for approval of its proposed 2018 Operating Plan. (Res. 0384-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.13.2017: That the 2018 Operating Plan for the Douglas Avenue

Business Improvement District No. 4, Douglas Avenue, be approved and that the Finance Director be authorized to place special charges amounting to \$48,252 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated that \$48,525.00 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Douglas Avenue Bid’s revenue account.

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

[1078-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Finance Director submitting the request that the City provide a \$10,000 donation to "Visioning a Greater Racine". (Res. 0385-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.13.2017: Authorize the City to provide a \$10,000.00 donation to “Visioning a Greater Racine” and to transfer 2017 General Fund Budget from account 11202-56200, Contingency, to account 11202-53460, Miscellaneous Expenses, and that authorization be made to make the payment.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available to fund the transfer and payment.

Alderman Weidner requested that item 1078-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman Wisner, that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke

NOES: 1 - Weidner

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Perez

[1091-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from the City Administrator to consider a Contract with CGI Communications of Rochester, NY for production of professional videos promoting the City of Racine. (Res. 0381-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11.13.2017: Authorize and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a Contract with CGI Communications of Rochester, NY for production of

professional videos promoting the City of Racine.

Fiscal Note: There are no costs to the City for the creation and production of the videos. Costs are paid exclusively through local business sponsorships solicited by CGI personnel. As a result, there is no budgetary impact.

Alderman Shakoor II requested that item 1091-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman Coe, that this Communication be Approved. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

NOES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

[1099-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting to meet with the Finance and Personnel Committee in Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes section 19.85(1)(g), to confer with legal counsel concerning *Racine County vs. City of Racine*, Racine County Case Number 2015 CV 1536. (Res. 0386-17)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 11.13.2017: That the City not appeal the judgment in the case of *Racine County vs. City of Racine*, Racine County Case Number 2015 CV 1536.

Fiscal Note: Funds have been set aside and are available in account #101 21110, Year End Accounts Payable in the amount of \$350,475.75.

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

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Meekma

[1087-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication requesting authorization and direction that certain City-owned parcels of real estate may be utilized by the City of Racine and/or the State of Wisconsin for the STH 11 (Kentucky St/Kearney Av) Road Improvement Project (R/W Project ID 2260-07-20), including the right to construct, cut and/or fill slopes and including for such purpose the right to operate the necessary equipment thereon and the right of ingress and egress as long as required for such public purpose, including the right to preserve, protect, remove, or plant thereon any vegetation that the highway authorities may deem necessary or desirable in and to the following lands in City of Racine, Racine County, Wisconsin, described as follows: (Res. 0388-17)

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.01, recorded as

Document number 2460341 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.02, recorded as Document number 2461086 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 11-14-17: That the City of Racine authorizes and directs that the following portions of parcels described below may be utilized for the STH 11 (Kentucky St/Kearney Av) Road Improvement Project (R/W Project ID 2260-07-20), including the right to construct, cut and/or fill slopes and including for such purpose the right to operate the necessary equipment thereon and the right of ingress and egress as long as required for such public purpose, including the right to preserve, protect, remove, or plant thereon any vegetation that the highway authorities may deem necessary or desirable in and to the following lands in City of Racine, Racine County, Wisconsin, described as follows:

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.01, recorded as Document number 2460341 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.02, recorded as Document number 2461086 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[1088-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Operations submitting the 2018 summary of lease agreements for office space. (Res. 0387-17)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 11-14-17: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into lease agreements for 2018 for rental of office space in City Hall, City Hall Annex and the Safety Building at the rental rates as submitted.

Fiscal Note: Rental rates will increase in 2018 due to the 2017 Consumer Price Index increasing by 3.1%. These leases will generate a total annual revenue of approximately \$125,784.43.

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

motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[1089-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer requesting to adopt a resolution in support of the local match for funding of WDNR RBF Grant for ADA Lift Chair Improvements to the 5th Street Boat Launch Pier. (Res. 0389-17)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 11-14-17: Approve the adoption of a resolution in support of applying for funding of WDNR RBF Grant for ADA Lift Chair Improvements to the 5th Street Boat Launch Pier.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount indeterminate at this time.

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

[1090-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting Contract 20170109, PS - 2018 Bridge Inspections, Ayres Associates, consultant. (Res. 0390-17)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 11-14-17: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a professional services agreement with Ayres Associates, on Contract 20170109, PS - 2018 Bridge Inspections, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$39,444.45.

Further recommends that funds to defray the cost of these professional services be appropriated from the following accounts:

\$21,825.50 - 45140-57540, City Owned Bridge Insp.
\$17,618.95 - 45140-57545-40003, Underwater Insp. Lift Bridges
\$39,444.45 - Total

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

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

[1092-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20170030, 2017 Douglas Avenue/Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Repairs, A.W. Oakes & Son, Inc., contractor. (Res. 0391-17)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 11-14-17: That Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20170030, 2017 Douglas Avenue/Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Repairs, A.W. Oakes &

Son, Inc., contractor, as submitted, be approved in the amount of \$60,197.50.

Further recommends that funding to defray the cost of the change order be appropriated from Org-Object 60484-57570, Storm Sewers.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

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

City Plan Commission Report, by Ald. Wisner

[1080-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) A request from DeAnna and James Ford, representing The Vine Ministries and The Vine Media Group, seeking a conditional use permit for a ground floor church with worship space, and a multi-media graphics design and marketing firm at 3433 Douglas Avenue. (PC-17) (Res. 0392-17)

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 11-08-17: That the request be approved subject to conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Conditional Use Permit be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[1081-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) A request from Brendon Bourdo of ActiveBody Fitness seeking a conditional use permit for a fitness and personal training center at 500 Wisconsin Avenue. (PC-17) (Res. 0393-17)

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 11-08-17: That the request be approved, subject to conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Conditional Use Permit be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

[1082-17](#)

Subject: (Direct referral) A request from Charles Daul representing Keys to the Kingdom Church seeking a conditional use permit for a ground floor worship space to include educational classes, by-appointment counseling services, and a proposed book store at 2000 Lathrop Avenue. (PC-17) (Res. 0394-17)

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 11-08-17: That the request be approved, subject to conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Conditional Use Permit be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent

Public Safety and Licensing Committee Report, by Ald. Coe[778-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Alderpersons of the Fourth and Fourteenth Districts requesting that the City of Racine enact an anti-bullying ordinance. (This Item was previously referred to the Committee of the Whole but the requestors have now requested that it be referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-14-17: That the Attorney's office be authorized to draft a anti-bullying ordinance.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Meekma made a motion, seconded by Alderman Lemke to suspend the rules to take up item 778-17 before committee reports.

A motion was made by Alderman Meekma, seconded by Alderman Lemke, that this Communication be to suspend the Rules of Council. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

NOES: 1 - Morgenroth

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

A motion was made by Alderman Coe, seconded by Alderman Meekma, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

[1013-17](#)

Subject: (New) Application for a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Last Call on Wisconsin LLC, dba Last Call on Wisconsin, located at 525 Wisconsin Avenue, James Malnar, Agent. (1st District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-14-17: That the application for a "Class B" fermented malt beverage and intoxicating liquor license for Last Call on Wisconsin LLC, dba Last Call on Wisconsin, located at 525 Wisconsin Avenue, James Malnar, Agent, be denied based on applicants criminal history making the applicant ineligible to obtain a liquor license.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alderman Coe requested that item 1013-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alderman Coe, seconded by Alderman DeHahn, that this Communication be Received and Filed. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

[1068-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting the report on the bids received for the sale of Abandoned Vehicles, October 31, 2017.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-14-17: That the item be Received and Filed as the highest responsible bidder from the two bids was Sturtevant Auto Salvage.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[1077-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Deputy Chief Mark Schulz requesting permission to nominate 2 CSO's to be appointed to Humane Officers.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-14-17: That the nominations of 2 CSO's to be appointed to Humane Officers be approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

Housing Loan Board Report, by Ald. Land[1102-17](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request by Lutheran Social Services for a \$700,000 CDBG Multifamily Loan for 1701 Packard Avenue ("Gold Medal Lofts") (Res. 0395-17)

Recommendation of the Loan Board of Review on 11-16-2017: That the loan to Lutheran Social Services \$720,000 for acquisition costs of 1701 Packard Avenue at 1% interest with a 20 year term be approved. Repayment terms to be contingent on surplus cash flow and minimum \$7,200 interest-only annual payment at 1% interest. Mortgage and

promissory note to be signed at closing and after demonstrating full project financing and tax credits and environmental review.

Further, recommend that the Mayor and City Clerk be directed to enter into a contract with Lutheran Social Services consistent with its application and all applicable federal regulations.

Fiscal Note: The CDBG Multifamily Loan account currently has a balance of \$1.3 million to loan to eligible projects in 2018. \$720,000 would be loaned from the CDBG Multifamily Loan account at 1% interest with a 20 year term. Repayment terms to be contingent on surplus cash flow and minimum \$7,200 interest-only annual payment at 1% interest. Payments would be contingent on demonstrated cash flow and all accrued principle and interest due after 20 years. The funds would be secured with a mortgage and note.

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

Office of the Mayor Report, by Ald. Wisner

[1083-17](#)

Subject: Communication from Mayor Mason nominating reappointments to the following committee, board, and/or commission:

Reappoint Lynn Monroe, 333 Lake Ave, Racine, 53403 to the Harbor Commission for a 3 year term, expiring May 31, 2020.

Alderman Wisner requested that item 1083-17 be considered separately.

A motion was made that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - Larrin and Morgenroth

H. Consent Resolutions

[Res.0382-17](#)

Business Improvement District No. 1, Downtown Racine 2018 Operating Plan

Resolved, that the proposed 2018 Operating Plan for Business Improvement District No. 1, Downtown Racine, is approved and that the Finance Director is authorized to place special charges amounting to \$192,000.00 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated \$192,000.00 will be raised through bid

assessments, \$4,000.00 will be raised through Tree Sponsorship, \$10,000.00 will be raised through uncategorized income to be placed into the Downtown Bid's revenue account.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

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

[Res.0383-17](#)

Business Improvement District No. 3, Uptown 2018 Operating Plan

Resolved, that the 2018 Operating Plan for the Uptown Business Improvement District No. 3 is approved and that the Finance Director is authorized to place special charges amounting to \$35,000.00 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated that \$35,000.00 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Uptown Business revenue account.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

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

[Res.0384-17](#)

Business Improvement District No. 4, Douglas Avenue 2018 Operating Plan

Resolved, that the 2018 Operating Plan for the Douglas Avenue Business Improvement District No. 4, Douglas Avenue, is approved and that the Finance Director is authorized to place special charges amounting to \$48,252.00 on the 2017 property tax bills of the affected properties as delineated by the Business Improvement District.

Fiscal Note: It is estimated that \$48,525.00 will be raised through bid assessments to be placed into the Douglas Avenue Bid's revenue account.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

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

[Res.0386-17](#)

Racine County vs. City of Racine, Racine County Case Number 2015 CV 1536

Resolved, that the City not appeal the judgment in the case of Racine County vs. City of Racine, Racine County Case Number 2015 CV 1536.

Fiscal Note: Funds have been set aside and are available in account

#101 21110, Year End Accounts Payable in the amount of \$350,475.75.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

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

[Res.0387-17](#)

2018 Lease Agreements for Office Space

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to enter into lease agreements for 2018 for rental of office space in City Hall, the City Hall Annex, and the Safety Building at the rental rates as submitted.

Fiscal Note: Rental rates will increase in 2018 due to the 2017 Consumer Price Index increasing by 3.1%. These leases will generate a total annual revenue of approximately \$125,784.43.

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

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

[Res.0388-17](#)

STH 11 (Kentucky St/Kearney Av) Road Improvement Project (R/W Project ID 2260-07-20)

Resolved, that the City of Racine authorizes and directs that the following portions of parcels described below be utilized for the STH 11 (Kentucky St/Kearney Av) Road Improvement Project (R/W Project ID 2260-07-20) to include the right to construct, cut and/or fill slopes, to operate the necessary equipment thereon for such purposes, the right of ingress and egress as long as required for such public purpose, the right to preserve, protect, remove, or plant thereon any vegetation that the highway authorities may deem necessary or desirable in and to the following lands in City of Racine, Racine County, Wisconsin, described as follows:

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.01, recorded as Document number 2460341 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Parcel 8 of Transportation Project Plat 2260-07-20 - 4.02, recorded as Document number 2461086 and recorded at the Register of Deeds for Racine County, Wisconsin.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

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

[Res.0389-17](#)

ADA Lift Chair Upgrades to 5th Street Boat Launch Pier

Resolved, that the request of the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer for a resolution in support of the local match for funding of WDNR RBF Grant for ADA Lift Chair Upgrades to the 5th Street Boat Launch Pier is approved.

WHEREAS, City of Racine hereby requests assistance for the purpose of:

Project description: ADA Lift Chair Upgrades to the 5th Street Boat Launch Pier, Racine, Wisconsin.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Racine has budgeted a sum sufficient to complete the study or project, and HEREBY AUTHORIZES the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, to act on behalf of the City of Racine:

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer are authorized to submit an application to the Department of Natural Resources for financial assistance, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct and complete the approved project.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Racine will comply with state and federal rules for the programs; may perform force account work; will maintain the completed project in an attractive, inviting and safe manner;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Racine will keep the facilities open to the general public during reasonable hours consistent with the type of facility; and will obtain approval from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources before any change is made in the use of the project site (if applicable).

Fiscal Note: Grant amount indeterminate at this time.

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

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

[Res.0390-17](#)

Contract 20170109, PS - 2018 Bridge Inspections

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to enter into a professional services agreement with Ayres Associates, on Contract 20170109, PS - 2018 Bridge Inspections, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$39,444.45.

Fiscal Note: Funds to defray the cost of these professional services be appropriated from the following accounts:

\$21,825.50 - 45140-57540, City Owned Bridge Insp.
\$17,618.95 - 45140-57545-40003, Underwater Insp. Lift Bridges
\$39,444.45 - Total

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

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

[Res.0391-17](#)

Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20170030, 2017 Douglas Avenue/Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Repairs

Resolved, that Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20170030, 2017 Douglas Avenue/Hamilton Street Sanitary Sewer Repairs, A.W. Oakes & Son, Inc., contractor, as submitted, is approved in the amount of \$60,197.50.

Fiscal Note: Funding to defray the cost of the change order be appropriated from Org-Object 60484-57570, Storm Sewers.

Sponsors: Terry McCarthy

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

[Res.0392-17](#)

3433 Douglas Avenue

Resolved, that the request from Deanna and James Ford, representing The Vine Ministries and the Vine Media Group, seeking a conditional use permit for a ground floor church with worship space, and a multi-media graphics design and marketing firm at 3433 Douglas Avenue is approved, subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the plans presented to the Plan Commission on November 8, 2017 be approved subject to the conditions contained herein.
- b. That all license requirements from the State of Wisconsin and City of Racine be obtained, complied with, and kept current at all times.
- c. That all codes and ordinances are complied with and required permits acquired.

d. That the hours of operation for the ministries be 9 a.m. - 6p.m. Sunday and Saturday.

e. That the hours of operation for Vine Media Group be 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday

f. That prior to the issuance of an occupancy permit the following be submitted for the review and approval of the Director of City Development:

1. A plan addressing dumpster screening.

2. A landscape plan addressing the refreshing and/or replacement of the current plantings.

3. Designs and dimensioned drawings be provided for all new signage, and final design drawings be submitted for all replacement signage.

g. That approved dumpster screening and landscaping be implemented by June 1, 2018.

h. That any planned increase in seating for the ministry beyond 120 seats be considered an amendment to the Conditional Use in need of review and approval.

i. That no minor changes be made from the conditions of this permit without approval of the Plan Commission, and no major changes be made from the conditions of this permit without the approval of the Common council.

That this conditional use permit is subject to Plan Commission review for compliance with the listed conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sponsors: Dennis Wisler

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

[Res.0393-17](#)

500 Wisconsin Avenue

Resolved, that the request from Brendon Bourdo seeking a conditional

use permit for a fitness training center at the street level at 500 Wisconsin Avenue is approved, subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the plans presented to the Plan Commission on November 8, 2017 be approved subject to the conditions contained herein.
- b. That all license requirements from the State of Wisconsin and City of Racine be obtained, complied with, and kept current at all times.
- c. That all codes and ordinances are complied with and required permits acquired.
- d. That the hours be 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday thru Friday and 6 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday and closed Sunday.
- e. That no minor changes be made from the conditions of this permit without approval of the Plan Commission, and no major changes be made from the conditions of this permit without the approval of the Common council.

That this conditional use permit is subject to Plan Commission review for compliance with the listed conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sponsors: Dennis Wiser

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

[Res.0394-17](#)

2000 Lathrop Avenue

Resolved, that the request from Charles Daul representing Keys to the Kingdom Church seeking a conditional use permit for a ground floor church with worship space to include educational classes, by-appointment counseling services, and a proposed bookstore at 2000 Lathrop Avenue is approved, subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the plans presented to the Plan Commission on November 8, 2017 be approved subject to the conditions contained herein.
- b. That all license requirements from the State of Wisconsin and City of Racine be obtained, complied with, and kept current at all times.

c. That all codes and ordinances are complied with and required permits acquired.

d. That the hours of operation are as follows:

1. For the ministries 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Sunday and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

2. For the bookstore 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

3. For counseling services by appointment.

e. That no minor changes be made from the conditions of this permit without approval of the Plan Commission, and no major changes be made from the conditions of this permit without the approval of the Common Council.

That this conditional use permit is subject to Plan Commission review for compliance with the listed conditions.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sponsors: Dennis Wisler

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

[Res.0395-17](#)

1701 Packard Avenue ("Gold Medal Lofts")

Resolved, that the loan to Lutheran Social Services \$720,000.00 for acquisition costs of 1701 Packard Avenue at 1% interest with a 20 year term is approved. Repayment terms to be contingent on surplus cash flow and minimum \$7,200.00 interest-only annual payment at 1% interest. Mortgage and promissory note to be signed at closing and after demonstrating full project financing and tax credits and environmental review.

Further resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk are directed to enter into a contract with Lutheran Social Services consistent with its application and all applicable federal regulations.

Fiscal Note: The CDBG Multifamily Loan account currently has a balance of \$1.3 million to loan to eligible projects in 2018. \$720,000.00 would be loaned from the CDBG Multifamily Loan account at 1% interest with a 20

year term. Repayment terms to be contingent on surplus cash flow and minimum \$7,200.00 interest-only annual payment at 1% interest. Payments would be contingent on demonstrated cash flow and all accrued principle and interest due after 20 years. The funds would be secured with a mortgage and note.

Sponsors: Mary Land

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

I. Resolutions

[Res.0381-17](#)

Production of Professional Videos Promoting the City of Racine

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to enter into a contract with CGI Communications of Rochester, New York, for production of professional videos promoting the City of Racine.

Fiscal Note: There are no costs to the City for the creation and production of the videos. Costs are paid exclusively through local business sponsorships solicited by CGI personnel. As a result, there is no budgetary impact.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman Coe, that this Resolution be Denied. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - Larrin and Morgenroth

[Res.0385-17](#)

Visioning a Greater Racine

Resolved, that the City is authorized to provide a \$10,000.00 donation to "Visioning a Greater Racine" and to transfer 2017 General Fund Budget from account 11202-56200, Contingency, to account 11202-53460, Miscellaneous Expenses, and that authorization is made to make the payment.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available to fund the transfer and payment.

Sponsors: Q.A. Shakoor II

A motion was made by Alderman Shakoor II, seconded by Alderman DeHahn, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 2 - Larrin and Morgenroth

ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Perez

J. Common Council Vote on Consent Agenda (Communications, Committee Reports, Resolutions)

Council Action on Consent Agenda Items

A motion was made by Alderman Dennis Wisner, seconded by Alderman Q.A. Shakoor II, that this be Adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Smetana, Weidner, DeHahn, Shakoor II, McCarthy, Wisner, Land, Perez, Morgenroth, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Larrin

K. 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.

L. Adjourn

Mayor Mason adjourned the meeting at 9:05 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is December 5, 2017.

**ATTEST: JANICE JOHNSON-MARTIN
CITY CLERK**