



City of Racine

City Hall
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Racine, WI 53403
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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, February 1, 2022

7:00 PM

Virtual

Public Registration Link: <https://cityofracine-org.zoom.us/j/82293933404>

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 (Minutes) January 18, 2022

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Santiago 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

Black History Month
Transit Equity Day

[0082-22](#)

Subject: Black History Month

[0083-22](#)

Subject: Transit Proclamation

E. Public Comments

Mercedes Dzindzeleta appeared to speak before the Common Council.

F. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Taft

[0035-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Assistant Director of Human Resources, to adjust the titles and pay grades for various positions in the City Development Department as attached.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Sufficient funding exists in the City Development budget to accommodate these proposed changes. No additional funding is requested by the Department of City Development.

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

[0037-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Police Chief requesting permission for Chief Robinson to enter into a contract with Axon Enterprise Inc. for a suite of services which includes TASER 7, Body Worn Cameras, Fleet Cameras, Interview Room cameras, AXON Standards software a technology refresh feature at months 36 and 60 on the BWCs, 60 months on the Fleet Cameras and training.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: That Chief Robinson be authorized to enter into a contract with Axon Enterprise Inc. for the purchase of Axon Fleet in-car video solution ("Fleet") and its supporting information, services, and training.

Fiscal Note: Total cost of the contract is \$2,087,195. This is a five year (60 month) commitment. Annual cost is \$417,439. Funds are available for 2022 in account 45131 57300. Funds for year 2023-2026 will be appropriated in the capital improvement budget.

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

[0039-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Cory Mason for approval of the 2022 General Economic Development Services contract with

Racine County Economic Development Corporation (RCEDC).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: That the request for approval of the 2022 General Economic Development Services with Racine County Economic Development Corporation be approved. Further that the Mayor and City Clerk, or their designees, be authorized and directed to enter into a contract with RCEDC for General Economic Development Services for 2022.

Fiscal Note: The cost of the contract is \$84,000. Funds are available in 45260 52100 IG Fund Professional Services.

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

[0040-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting to accept the 2022 Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Drug Trafficking Response Grant (Grant Control #00392).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: Approval to accept the 2022 Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Drug Trafficking Response Grant.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$49,904.00. No city match required.

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

[0047-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason on behalf of the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, submitting the matter of an extension of the Racine Zoological Society Gardens Operating Agreement for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: That the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute the one-year extension of the Operating Agreement for the Racine Zoological Gardens between the City of Racine and the Racine Zoological Society, Inc. upon the terms presented, be approved.

Fiscal Note: The City's zoo subsidy of \$510,000 in account 15099 52100 was approved in the 2022 budget

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

[0048-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Lemke on behalf of the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept \$108,813 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for Local

Public Health Departments Consolidated Contract Programs (Grant Control #00418, #00419, #00420).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-24-2022: That the department be authorized to enter into an agreement and accept funding from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for Local Public Health Departments Consolidated Contract Programs.

Fiscal Note: Grant is for \$108,813; there is no local match.

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

[0049-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Lemke on behalf of the Public Health Administrator requesting authorization for the funding utilized in 2021, in the amount of \$6,259.40, from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (Grant Control #00423).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-24-2022: That the department receive authorization for the agreement and funding in 2021 from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection for the unwanted prescription drug collections in Racine County.

Fiscal Note: Grant is for \$6,259.40; there is a soft match of \$2,086.47 (25%) which was achieved through various Police Departments processing 12 collection boxes throughout Racine County.

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

[0050-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Lemke on behalf of the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept the 2022 funding in the amount of \$6,700 from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection (Grant Control #00425).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

1-24-2022: That the department be authorized to enter into an agreement and accept funding from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection for the unwanted prescription drug collections in Racine County.

Fiscal Note: Grant is for \$6,700; there is a soft match of \$1,675 (25%) which will be achieved through various Police Departments processing 12 collection boxes throughout Racine County.

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

[0051-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Lemke on behalf of the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept \$113,335 from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for Local Public Health Departments Consolidated Contract Programs (Grant Control #00428, #00426, #00427).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: That the department be authorized to enter into an agreement and accept funding from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for Local Public Health Departments Consolidated Contract Programs.

Fiscal Note: Grant is for \$113,335; there is a soft match of \$40,337 on the MCH contract.

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

[0052-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Lemke on behalf of the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to enter into and sign the Agent Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: That the department be authorized to enter into and sign the Agent MOA with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection.

Fiscal Note: None

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

[0053-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting permission for the Parks Department to apply for a grant from the Fund for Lake Michigan for up to \$250,000 for the restoration of the Lake Front. Grant Control #00430.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 1-24-2022: To grant permission for the Parks Department to apply for a grant from the Fund for Lake Michigan in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the restoration of the Lake Front.

Fiscal Note: No City Match is Required

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

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Jones

0041-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Downtown Racine Corporation, requesting use of City right-of-way for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 19, 2022.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That permission be granted to the Downtown Racine Corporation to close Ontario Street, State Street between Ontario Street and Main Street, Main Street from State Street to Sixth Street, Sixth Street from Main Street to City Hall, on Saturday, March 19, 2022, for the St. Patrick's Day Parade with the following attached stipulations:

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

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

0042-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021028 - Roof Replacement Safety Building, FJA Christiansen Roofing Company Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That Change Order No.1 to Contract 2021028 - Roof Replacement Safety Building, FJA Christiansen Roofing Company Inc., Contractor, be approved in the deduct amount of (\$19,800.00).

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is credited in the following Org-Obj 45040 57200 - Safety Building Roof Replacement.

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

0043-22

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021030 - Roof Replacement City Hall Annex, Carlson Racine Roofing & Sheet Metal, Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021030 - Roof

Replacement City Hall Annex, Carlson Racine Roofing & Sheet Metal, Contractor., be approved in the deduct amount of (\$7,550.00).

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is credited in the following Org-Obj 45040 57200 - City Hall Annex Roof Replacemnet

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

[0044-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2021030 - Roof Replacement City Hall Annex, Carlson Racine Roofing & Sheet Metal, Contractor .

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That the work completed by Carlson Racine Roofing, on Contract 2021030, Roof Replacement City Hall Annex, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$89,718.00. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2021030 was authorized under Resolution No.0354-21, dated May 18, 2021.

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

[0045-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2021050 - Traffic Signal Improvements-16th St. & Lathrop Ave, Outdoor Lighting Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That the work completed by Outdoor Lighting Inc., on Contract 2021050, Traffic Signal Improvements-16th St. & Lathrop Ave, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$146,226.12. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2021050 was authorized under Resolution No.0517-21, dated July 20, 2021.

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

[0046-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021050 - Traffic Signal Improvements-16th St. & Lathrop Ave, Outdoor Lighting Inc., Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 01-25-22: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2021050 - Traffic Signal Improvements-16th St. & Lathrop Ave, Outdoor Lighting Inc., Contractor, be approved in the amount of \$7,902.60

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the following Org-Obj 45040 57530 - Traffic Signal Replacement

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

[0054-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Transit Manager, submitting Change Order No. 3 to Contract 2021073 - City of Racine Transit Facilities Repair Stage 1, Berglund Construction Company, Contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 01-25-22: That Change Order No. 3 to Contract 2021073 - City of Racine Transit Facilities Repair Stage 1, Berglund Construction Company, Contractor be approved in the amount of \$10,747.81.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the Org-Obj 20052 57200 60000030.Brks&Mrtr.RYDE.

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

[0055-22](#)

Subject: Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the City Engineer, submitting a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Racine and AECOM Technical Services, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$91,750.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 01-25-22: That the Public Works and Services Committee approve the professional services agreement and direct the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the agreement between the City of Racine and AECOM Technical Services Inc. for 2022 Pavement Inspection Services in the not to exceed amount of \$91,750.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in Org-Obj 45040 57110.

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

[0056-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the City Engineer, submitting Amendment No. 2 to State Project ID 1693-34-06 Lake Michigan Pathway Phase 4 - 24th Street to North Shore Bike Trail.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 01-25-22: That Amendment No. 2 to State Project ID 1693-34-06, Lake Michigan Pathway Phase 4 - 24th Street to North Shore Bike Trail, be approved and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized

and directed to sign the Amendment No. 2.

Fiscal Note: The amount for Amendment #2 is \$31,232.86, with the City's portion being \$17,345.14 and is available in Org. 20313 Obj. 57550 Proj. 40004 - Lake Michigan Pathway Phase 4.

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

[0057-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the City Engineer, requesting the adoption of revisions to Division 2, Section 94-141 No Parking Zones, Schedule F of the Municipal Code to include no parking anytime on the east and west sides of Fergus from Romaine to 50 feet north of Romaine. And the south side of Romaine Avenue from Fergus Ave. west 75 feet.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 01-25-22: That the proposed changes to Division 2, Section 94-141 No Parking Zones, Schedule F of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to No Parking Zones be adopted.

Fiscal Note: There will be a nominal cost to produce and install the No Parking signs.

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

Public Safety and Licensing Committee Report, by Ald. Coe

[0901-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe, submitting an application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Sleepy Lounge LLC DBA Sleepy Lounge, located at 1641 Douglas Avenue, Monica Dixon, Agent. (4th District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-29-2021: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Sleepy Lounge LLC DBA Sleep Lounge, located at 1641 Douglas Avenue, Monica Dixon Agent (4th District) be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-24-2022: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Sleepy Lounge LLC DBA Sleep Lounge, located at 1641 Douglas Avenue, Monica Dixon Agent (4th District) be recommended for approval with amended hour of 1:30 a.m. .

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Jones seconded by Alder Kaprilian, that this Communication be Denied. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Coe, Kaprelian and Peete

NOES: 12 - Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

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

AYES: 13 - Coe, Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Rouse, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

NOES: 2 - Kaprelian and Peete

[0923-21](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting a new application for a Gas Service Station License, Rasleen Gas and Food Mart DBA Amaco, located at 4301 Washington Ave Racine, WI 53405, Gurjapbir Singh Kahlon, Agent. (12th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-29-2021: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting a new application for a Gas Service Station License, Rasleen Gas and Food Mart DBA Amaco, located at 4301 Washington Ave Racine, WI 53405, Gurjapbir Singh Kahlon, Agent. (12th District) be deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-24-2021: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting a new application for a Gas Service Station License, Rasleen Gas and Food Mart DBA Amaco, located at 4301 Washington Ave Racine, WI 53405, Gurjapbir Singh Kahlon, Agent. (12th District) be recommended for Approval.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[0001-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Santiago submitting an application for a Reserved "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Twenty Grand Lux LLC DBA Twenty Grand Lux LLC, located at 1307 Douglas Ave, Cortney Marshall, Agent. (4 District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-24-2022: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Santiago

submitting an application for a Reserved "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Twenty Grand Lux LLC DBA Twenty Grand Lux LLC, located at 1307 Douglas Ave, Cortney Marshall, Agent. (4 District) be recommended for approval.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Tate II seconded by Alder MCarthy, that this Communication be Referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee with the Amended Verbiage. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Jones, Tate II, Santiago Jr, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Rouse, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

NOES: 3 - Coe, Kaprelian and Perez

[0007-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Change of Agent with a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for MR Kools Sports Bar LLC DBA MR Kools Sports Bar, located at 1330 Washington Ave, Marie Oliver, Agent. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 01-24-2022: That the Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Change of Agent with a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for MR Kools Sports Bar LLC DBA MR Kools Sports Bar, located at 1330 Washington Ave, Marie Oliver, Agent. (3rd District) be recommended for approval.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board Report, by Ald. Tate, II

[0059-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting an allocation of \$160,724 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding.

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 1/24/2022: That the request from Mayor Mason to allocate \$160,724 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding be approved.

Fiscal Note: This action allocates \$160,724 in Emergency Solutions Grant funds in accordance with the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan. Sufficient funding exists to incur the budgeted expenses.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder West to Approve the Consent Agenda. 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

Office of the Mayor, by Ald. Tate, II

[0068-22](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason submitting the following appointments:

Damian Evans to the Library Board for a term expiring May 30, 2024
Keith Kohlman to the Planning, Heritage, and Design Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2024

Lorenzo Santos to the Transit Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2024

A motion was made by Alder Tate II 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

G. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder West, to Approve the Consent Agenda. 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

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 8:32P.M. by Mayor Mason
The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Tuesday March 1, 2022.
ATTEST: TARA COOLIDGE
CITY CLERK*