

Proposed 2027 Budget Schedule and Process Resolution

WHEREAS, the City Council of Racine adopts the following calendar for the 2027 budget introduction, deliberation, and adoption.

Monday, October 05	Mayor Mason Budget Address Budget Introduction
Tuesday, October 06	Council Meeting Budget Overview – Kathleen Fischer
Monday, October 12	Finance and Personnel Committee Committee of the Whole Department Presentations #1
Tuesday, October 13	Public Works and Services Committee Committee of the Whole Department Presentations #2
Wednesday, October 14	Public Safety and Licensing Committee Committee of the Whole #3/Public Hearing
Thursday, October 15	Committee of the Whole #4 (as necessary)
Thursday, October 15	Budget Amendments due in writing to Finance Director Close of Business Day
Monday, October 19	Committee of the Whole Budget Amendments Debated and Voted
Tuesday, October 20	Council Meeting Final Budget Adoption
Tuesday, November 03	Election Day
Monday, November 09	Finance and Personnel Committee
Tuesday, November 10	Public Works and Services Committee
Wednesday, November 11	Public Safety and Licensing Committee
Tuesday, November 17	Potential Council Action to Override Mayoral Veto

WHEREAS, amendments proposed to the budget by Alders must be submitted in writing to the Finance Director no later than the close of business on Thursday, October 15, 2026.

Amendments submitted after this date will not be considered by the Council, AND

WHEREAS, the City of Racine finds itself in a structural deficit, AND

WHEREAS, proposed amendments must identify cuts in spending of an equal or greater amount if an amendment proposes spending city resources on something else, AND

WHEREAS, proposed amendments may not include fund balance or wage provision as a funding source, AND

WHEREAS, in accordance with state Statute, funding for amendments for capital projects can only come from capital funded sources, and funding for amendments for operations can only come from operations funded sources, AND THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, the CITY COUNCIL adopts this resolution in accordance with city ordinance for its 2027 budget process and calendar.