



City of Racine Meeting Minutes

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Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman James T. Spangenberg, Vice Chair Thomas Friedel,
Alderman Pete Karas, Alderman Sandy Weidner,
Alderman Aron Wisneski*

Monday, June 12, 2006

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 103

Call to Order and Roll Call

PRESENT: James T. Spangenberg, Thomas Friedel, Pete Karas, Sandy Weidner and Aron Wisneski

Approval of Minutes for the May 22, 2006 meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

1. [06-1978](#) Subject: Communication from Ed Possing, 2625 Lathrop Ave., requesting to purchase the property at 504 Hawthorne Drive.

Item also referred to the City Plan Commission and Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

Recommendation from the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the item be deferred.

Fiscal Note: N/A
Ed Possing appeared before the Committee. The item will be deferred until it goes to the City Plan Commission.
Deferred

2. [06-2033](#) Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the City Attorney requesting a transfer of funds between accounts for purchase of computer furniture and a new chair for the Deputy City Attorney.

Recommendation: That \$1,500 be transferred from account 101.160.5010, Salaries and placed in account 101.160.5430, Furniture & Equipment Under \$5,000 to be utilized for the purchase of computer furniture and chair for the Deputy City Attorney.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available for the transfer.
Dan Wright, City Attorney, appeared before the Committee. Because the chair and little table utilized as the computer workstation does not function well for the new Deputy City Attorney, Dan request the transfer of funds to purchase a computer workstation and chair for their replacement.
Recommended For Approval

3. [06-1936](#) Subject: Communication from Racine County Economic Development Corporation requesting a City loan guarantee for a business loan to Schmidt Industrial Truck.

Recommendation: That the item be deferred

Fiscal Note: N/A

Brian O'Connell, Director of City Development, stated that they are not prepared for the item and request that it be deferred.

Deferred

4. [06-2062](#)

Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services requesting to apply for a one-year grant from Target Corp. (Grant Control No. 2006-029) in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the Mayor's Back to School - Stay in School program.

Recommendation: That permission granted for the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services to apply for the one-year grant from Target Corporation (Grant Control No. 2006-029) in the amount of \$2,500 to be utilized for the Mayor's Back to School/Stay in School program.

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

David Brown, Interim Finance Director, appeared before the Committee. The funds will be utilized for the purchase of school supplies that are given to children.

Recommended For Approval

5. [Ord.24-06](#)

Ordinance No. 24-06 to amend Sec. 2-453 of the Municipal Code relating to City Clerk - presenting communications.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-06

To amend Sec. 2-453 of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Administration - City Clerk; Presenting communications.

The Common Council of the City of Racine do ordain as follows:

Part 1:

Sec. 2-453 of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine is hereby amended by deleting the phrase "5:00 p.m. of the day" and inserting "noon on the Friday" in its place.

Part 2:

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and the day after publication.

Passed by the Common Council:

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Recommendation: That Ordinance 24-06 be adopted.

FISCAL NOTE: N/A

Stephen Nenonen, City Administrator, appeared before the Committee. The request is to change the deadline to Friday at noon for communications submitted to City Clerk's office for the Common Council's agenda. If submitted late, they will be placed on the agenda 2 weeks later. When there is a need to have a communication submitted after the time frame, it can be submitted to the Committee as a Direct Referral.

Recommended For Approval

- 6. [COrd.0002-06](#) CHARTER ORDINANCE - To amend Sec. 4-31(d) of the Charter Ordinances relating to Budget - Date of adoption.

To amend Sec. 4-31(d) of the Charter Ordinances of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine, Wisconsin relating to Budget - Date of adoption.

The Common Council of the City of Racine do ordain as follows:

Part 1:

Sec. 4-31(d) of the Charter Ordinances of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine is hereby amended by deleting the phrase ", on or before November 20" and inserting "at its second regular meeting of November" in its place.

Part 2:

This ordinance shall take effect 60 days after passage and publication, subject to Wis. Stat. s. 66.0101(5).

Passed by the Common Council:

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Recommendation: That Charter Ordinance 0002-06 be adopted.

FISCAL NOTE: N/A

Dan Wright, City Attorney, appeared before the Committee. The Charter Ordinance provision requires the Council to vote on the budget for the following year no later than November 20th of each year. This year the 2nd meeting of the Council will be November 21st. The request is to amend the Charter Ordinance to read "the second regular

meeting of the Council" in November.

Recommended For Approval

7. [06-1985](#) Subject: Communication from the Interim Fire Chief requesting to enter into an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Wisconsin for health care service reimbursement that is based on Medicare criteria for ambulance reimbursement. Requesting that the City Attorney be included in reference.

Recommendation: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Wisconsin for health care reimbursement based on Medicare criteria for ambulance reimbursement.

Recommendation of the License & Welfare Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Wisconsin so that the Racine Fire Department is able to bill and receive reimbursement for ambulance service that is based on Medicare criteria.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Dan Wright, City Attorney, appeared before the Committee. The contract is related to provisions for health care providers and reimbursement for services.

Recommended For Approval

8. [06-2036](#) Subject: Communication from the Police Chief requesting to waive formal bidding for the purchase of forty-four (44) ABA XT2-2 protective vests for the Racine Police Department and requesting the purchasing agent negotiate with Streicher's for the purchase of the equipment.

Item also referred to License & Welfare Committee.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That formal bidding procedures be waived and that the purchasing agent be authorized and directed to negotiate with Streicher's of Butler, Wisconsin for the purchase of forty-four (44) ABA XT2-2 protective vests to be utilized for the Racine Police Department.

Recommendation of the License & Welfare Committee 06-12-06: That formal bidding procedures be waived and that the purchasing agent be authorized and directed to negotiate with Streicher's of Butler, Wisconsin for the purchase of forty-four (44) ABA XT2-2 protective vests to be utilized for the Racine Police Department.

Fiscal Note: Forty-four (44) ABA XT2-2 protective vests budgeted for in account 101.311.5430, Furniture and Equipment.

Art Howell, Deputy Chief, appeared before the Committee. In 2005, the Racine Police Department's protective vests were recalled because the material was known to breakdown over time. Research was done and found that new vest, made with different material, worked well. Streicher, located in Wisconsin, is the only local vendor that is an authorized dealer for the new vests.

Recommended For Approval

9. [06-1984](#) Subject: Communication from the Police Chief requesting permission to enter into the 2006 Metro Drug Unit Operations contract, in the amount of \$25,000, with Racine County Sheriff's Department, Grant Control No. 2006-027.

Item also referred to License & Welfare Committee.

Recommendation from the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Racine County Sheriff's Department to receive \$25,000 in sub-recipient funding (City Grant Control No. 2006-027) for the 2006 Metro Drug Unit Operations, contingent on written confirmation that all granting agency requirements will be followed.

Recommendation from the License & Welfare Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Racine County Sheriff's Department to receive \$25,000 in sub-recipient funding (City Grant Control No. 2006-027) for the 2006 Metro Drug Unit Operations, contingent on written confirmation that all granting agency requirements will be followed.

Fiscal Note: The \$25,000 will be utilized for the 2006 Metro Drug Unit Operations. No match required on the part of the City.

Art Howell, Deputy Chief, appeared before the Committee. Racine County Sheriff and City of Racine Police will share funds that will be utilized for overtime salaries for the 2006 Metro Drug Unit Operations for 2006.

Recommended For Approval

10. [06-1982](#)

Subject: Communication from the Police Chief requesting permission to enter into the 2006 Municipal Reimbursement Agreement for the Milwaukee High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program (H.I.D.T.A.), with Racine County Sheriff's Department, Grant Control No. 2006-028.

Item also referred to License & Welfare Committee.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for reimbursement of overtime costs with Racine County for the Milwaukee High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program (Grant Control No. 2006-028).

Recommendation of the License & Welfare Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for reimbursement of overtime costs with Racine County for the Milwaukee High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program (Grant Control No. 2006-028).

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

Art Howell, Deputy Chief, appeared before the Committee. The grant will cover overtime costs with Milwaukee H.I.D.T.A., FBI, and the Drug Enforcement Administration for conducting drug interdiction activities in Racine County as part of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program on a case-by-case basis.

Recommended For Approval

11. [06-2024](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept additional funding from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (Grant Control No. 2006-030) in the amount of \$13,310 to be utilized for the preparedness pandemic influenza program.

Item also referred to the Board of Health.

Recommendation from the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an amended contract with the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (Grant Control No. 2006-030) to increase the funding amount to \$13,310 to be utilized for the preparedness pandemic influenza program.

Fiscal Note: The increased amount is \$13,310 for a total consolidated grant amount of \$353,234. No match required on the part of the City.

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee. The funds will be utilized for salaries and equipment for the Health, Fire, Police Departments, and possibly Emergency Management Services, to create an organization of "First Responders" of administrative managers to respond to a Pandemic Influenza.

Recommended For Approval

12. [06-1999](#)

Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to amend the contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), Division of Public Health, for the HUD Lead Based Paint Abatement program, (Grant Control No. 2005-017), to amend the contract period to April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2007.

Item also referred to the Board of Health.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an amended contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS), Division of Public Health, for the HUD Lead Based Paint Abatement program, (Grant Control No. 2005-017) to amend the contract period from April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006 to April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2007.

Fiscal Note: The contract amount remains at \$6,000. No match required on the part of the City.

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee. Janelle is requesting an extension of the grant because the Health Department is requested to complete environmental assessments and clearance testing of homes that are earmarked as lead contaminated. The City has not completed the 60 homes a year that is required for the grant.

Recommended For Approval

13. [06-1947](#)

Subject: A communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Great Lakes WATER Institute (Grant Control No. 2006-026) in the amount of \$6,000 to be utilized for additional sampling of gull feces for the isolation of *Campylobacter* spp.

Item also referred to the Board of Health.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee 06-12-06: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement in the amount of \$6,000 with the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Great Lakes WATER Institute (Grant Control No. 2006-026) to be utilized for additional sampling of gull feces for the isolation of *Campylobacter* spp.

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee. The grant will be utilized to pay for a part-time student to pick up samples on the beaches for the testing of Campylobacter spp.

Recommended For Approval

Miscellaneous Business

None.

A motion was made by Alderman Spangenberg and seconded by Alderman Friedel that the Committee be convened in closed session pursuant to sec. 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes to discuss the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Racine and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local No. 321, AFL-CIO for 2006-2008 and the Racine Police Staff Officers' Association for 2005-2006 and 2007-2008.

Roll Call Taken: Ayes: Alderman Spangenberg, Friedel, Weidner, Karas, and Wisneski
Noes: None

The Chairman then announced that the Committee would convene in closed session for the reason stated in the motion and pursuant to Wisconsin statute 19.85(1)(c)

Also present: David Brown, Sylvia Coronado-Romero, and Terry Parker

14. [06-2051](#) Subject: Communication from the Human Resource Director requesting to, in closed session, discuss collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local No. 321, AFL-CIO for 2006-2008.
- Recommendation: That the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local No. 321, AFL-CIO for 2006-2008 be approved.
- Fiscal Note: That the costs to the City will be in 2006, \$236,682.20; 2007, \$378,511.98; and 2008, \$348,420.46. Increases do not include potential savings from premium contributions and plan design changes.
15. [06-1977](#) Subject: Communication from the Director of Human Resources requesting, in closed session, to discuss a summary of the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and the Racine Police Staff Officers' Association for 2005-2006 and 2007-2008.
- Recommendation: That the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Racine and the Racine Police Staff Officers' Association for 2005-2006 and 2007-2008 be approved.
- Fiscal Note: That the cost to the City will be in 2006, \$40,507.63 and 2007, \$34,527.99, minus potential savings due to \$10 physician visit charge and \$100 emergency room visit charge.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 26, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

Alderman James Spangenberg, Chairman
Finance and Personnel Committee