

Proposed 2026 Budget Schedule and Process Resolution

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

Monday, October 20	Mayor Mason Budget Address Budget Introduction
Tuesday, October 21	Council Meeting Budget Overview – Kathleen Fischer
Wednesday, October 22	Committee of the Whole Department Presentations #1
Thursday, October 23	Committee of the Whole Department Presentations #2
Monday, October 27	Finance and Personnel
Tuesday, October 28	Public Works and Services
Wednesday, October 29	Public Safety and Licensing
Thursday, October 30	Committee of the Whole Public Hearing
Friday, October 31	Budget Amendments due in writing Close of Business
Tuesday, November 4	Council Meeting
Wednesday, November 5	Committee of the Whole Budget Amendments Debated and Voted
Thursday, November 6	Special Council Meeting Final Budget Adoption
Monday, November 10	Finance and Personnel
Tuesday, November 11	Public Works and Services Deadline for Mayoral Vetoes
Wednesday, November 12	Public Safety and Licensing
Tuesday, November 18	Potential Mayoral Veto overrides

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 Friday, October 31, 2025. 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, 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 2025 budget process and calendar.