



City of Racine

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Racine, WI 53403
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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Mollie Jones
Alder Olivia Davis
Alder Amanda Paffrath
Alder Melissa Kaprelian
Alder Jeffrey Peterson
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Marcus West
Alder Terry McCarthy
Alder Sam Peete
Alder Mary Land
Alder Henry Perez
Alder Renee Kelly
Alder Alicia Jarrett
Alder Cory Sebastian

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 11 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Jarrett

EXCUSED: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

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) July 18, 2023

A motion was made by Alder McCarthy, seconded by Alder Horton to Approve the Minutes. The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Jarrett

EXCUSED: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

D. Proclamations

[0842-23](#)

Subject: Women's Equality Day

E. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council:
Michael Schrader

*Sandy Weidner
Ken Brown*

F. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Horton

[0785-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, requesting permission to enter into a Data Sharing Agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development and the City of Racine.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a Data Sharing Agreement between the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development and the City of Racine.

Fiscal Note: There is no cost to the City.

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

AYES: 10 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez and Jarrett

NOES: 1 - Kelly

EXCUSED: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

[0634-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, requesting to apply and accept an absentee ballot envelope sub-grant reimbursement from the Wisconsin Election Commission (Grant #00516).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the 2023 absentee ballot envelope sub-grant reimbursement program MOU and apply and accept sub-grant funding through the Wisconsin Election Commission.

Fiscal Note: The grant will reimburse up to \$7,443.11 - No city match required.

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

[0779-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, requesting permission to adopt the City of Racine Election Official Handbook.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

08-07-2023: That the Common Council approve and adopt the City of Racine Election Official Handbook as amended to include: 1) A Reference of State Statute, 2) Wording around 1099 vendors, 3) Clarifying language on "Chain of Command" specifically in regards to mis-information claims.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Jarrett

ABSENT: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

[0780-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Clerk, submitting the bid received for printing the Common Council Proceedings and legal notices through May 31, 2024.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the City Clerk be authorized to award the bid to The Journal Times, they being the sole and lowest responsible bidder.

Fiscal Note: Rates as attached are currently budgeted for 2023 and will be included in the 2024 budget.

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

[0788-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, requesting approval of a Determination of Necessity for acquisition of commercial properties for the Lincoln-King Neighborhood Redevelopment Project, specifically 1415 Hamilton Street, Parcel ID 276000003136000; 1440 West Street, Parcel ID 276000002615000; 1430 West Street, Parcel ID 276000002614000.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the Determination of Necessity for acquisition of commercial properties for the Lincoln-King Neighborhood Redevelopment Project per approved.

Fiscal Note: To be determined.

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

[0784-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney present a proposed settlement for the litigation in the matter of *Evans v. Matson and Rasmussen*, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Case

Number 2:20-cv-00476-LA.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: To approve the settlement as presented and authorize the City Attorney to execute a settlement agreement.

Fiscal Note: \$20,000 to be paid from 11202 53500 Judgment and Claims.

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

[0782-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Endel Williams for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the claim be disallowed.

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.

[0783-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Patrick Fagan for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-07-2023: That the claim be disallowed.

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.

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Jones

[0765-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2023162 Sidewalk Replacement.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Contract 2023162 Sidewalk Replacement, be awarded to Beardsley Concrete LLC, in the amount of \$226,618.20, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects: 40101 57515 - Sidewalks

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

[0766-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, submitting bid results for Contract 2023130 Marquette Park Basketball Courts CDBG.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Contract 2023130 Marquette Park Basketball Courts CDBG, be awarded to Bradford Contractors LLC, in the amount of \$174,216.00, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects:
\$140,000 - 60000036 Brks&Mrtr. Park & Rec Marquette
\$32,216- 45050 57110 GO Bonds Land Improvements

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

[0767-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, submitting bid results for Contract 2023201 Sam Meyers Park Restoration.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Contract 2023201 Sam Meyers Park Restoration, be awarded to A.W. Oakes & Son Inc., in the amount of \$377,050.00, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects:
\$32,205.33 - Account 45050 57110 - Land Improvements
\$110,000 - Account 20302 57110 20117 Fish and Wildlife Grant
\$231,844.67 - Account 45050 57110 40009 FEMA

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

[0768-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the City Engineer, submitting Change Order No. 2 to Contract 2022022 - City Resurfacing, A.W. Oakes & Sons, Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Change Order 2 to Contract 2022022 - City Resurfacing, A.W. Oakes & Sons, Inc., Contractors, be approved in the deduct amount of (\$69,902.31).

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is as follows:
(\$12,067.50) 22640 57560 Sanitary Sewers
(\$33,638.70) 60484 57570 Storm Sewer
\$9,444.80 45040 57515 Sidewalk Replacement

\$5,384.50 45040 57515 Crosswalk Ramps
(\$39,025.41) 45040 57500 DPW Paving - Asphalt
(\$69,902.31) Total

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

[0769-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, to submit final payment for Contract 2022022 - City Resurfacing, A.W. Oakes & Sons, Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That the work completed by A.W. Oakes & Sons, Inc., Contractors, on Contract 2022022 - City Resurfacing be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$1,757,931.89. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2022022 was authorized under Resolution No.0202-22 dated April 18, 2022.

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

[0771-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones on behalf of the City Engineer amending Resolution # 0471-23, which was approved by Common Council on May 16, 2023.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Resolution # 0471-23 be amended deleting **Jonathon Drive** - Cul-de-sac to North Main Street - under the section labeled - **BITUMINOUS CONCRETE PAVING.**

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.

[0773-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones on behalf of the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works submitting road salt prices for salt for ice control during the 2023-2024 Winter Season.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That the City purchase road salt from Cargil Inc. for approximately 7,000 tons of road salt for ice control during the 2023-2024 winter season under their proposed one-year contract price of \$84.12 (increase of 6.9% per ton) per ton delivered.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this purchase is available in Org-Obj 14010 53200

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

[0772-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2023030 - Solid Waste Building Structural Improvements, Berglund Construction, Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2023030 - Solid Waste Building Structural Improvements, Berglund Construction, Contractors, be approved in the amount of \$2,885.75.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the following Org-Object: 45040 57200

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

[0774-23](#)

Subject: Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 2 to Contract 2023029 - Racine Public Works Transfer Station, Bukacek Construction Group Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That Change Order No. 2 to Contract 2023029 - Racine Public Works Transfer Station, Bukacek Construction Group Inc., Contractors, be approved in the amount of \$55,205.20.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the following Org-Object: 45040 57110 - Transfer Station.

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

[0777-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, to submit final payment for Contract 2022234 - Horlick Field Locker Room Upgrades, Rasch Construction and Engineering Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That the work completed by Rasch Construction and Engineering Inc., Contractors, on Contract 2022234- Horlick Field Locker Room Upgrades be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract of \$241,132.72. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2022234 was authorized under Resolution

No. 0013-23 dated January 17, 2023.

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

[0791-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe, on behalf of Nikola Sretenovich of St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, requesting to utilize parking on both sides of State Street, from Huron St. to Superior St., and along with the east side on LaSalle St. for their church festival on September 2nd & 3rd , 2023 from noon to 10 p.m.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That the parking request be approved as per St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, per the attached stipulations.

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.

[0792-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting the lease agreement for Toys for Tots.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 08.08.23: That the lease agreement for Toys for Tots, be approved.

Fiscal Note: The City of Racine will receive approximately \$12,010.39 annually as per the new lease agreement.

A motion was made by Alder Perez that this Communication be Amended to not having a fee. The motion FAILED for lack of second.

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

AYES: 10 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Kelly and Jarrett

NOES: 1 - Perez

ABSENT: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

Public Safety and Licensing Committee Report, by Ald. Peete

[0094-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder McCarthy submitting an application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 02-13-2023: That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent. (3rd District), be Deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 04-10-2023: That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent. (3rd District), be Approved.

Recommendation of the Common Council on 04-17-2023:

That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent. (3rd District), be Referred back to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 4-24-2023: That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent (3rd District), be Deferred for 60 days.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 7-10-2023: That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent (3rd District), be Deferred.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 8-07-2023: That the application for a Hour Premise Description Change, for Fifteen-Eighteen, LLC DBA The Fifteen-Eighteen, located at 1520 Washington Ave, Shikeyla Buckley, Agent (3rd District), 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.

[0753-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, submitting a New application for a Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage License premise for Power Petroleum INC DBA Hometown on Lathrop, located at 2500 Lathrop Ave, Aziz Abdul, Agent, in association to item 0519-23 (14th District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 08-07-2023: That the application for a Class "A" Retail Fermented

Malt Beverage License premise for Power Petroleum INC DBA Hometown on Lathrop, located at 2500 Lathrop Ave, Aziz Abdul, Agent, in association to item 0519-23 (14th District), 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.

[0760-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete submitting a change of ownership application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for K & A Fischer, LLC DBA Michigan's Pub, located at 1300 Michigan Blvd Racine, WI 53402, Amanda Fischer, Agent. (4th District).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 08-07-2023: That the change of ownership application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for K & A Fischer, LLC DBA Michigan's Pub, located at 1300 Michigan Blvd Racine, WI 53402, Amanda Fischer, Agent. (4th District), 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.

[0761-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete submitting a change of ownership application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Bob's Basement 2, LLC DBA Break N Run Billiards, located at 2037 Lathrop Ave Racine, WI 53405, Robert Woodward, Agent. (14th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 08-07-2023: That the change of ownership application for a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Bob's Basement 2, LLC DBA Break N Run Billiards, located at 2037 Lathrop Ave Racine, WI 53405, Robert Woodward, Agent. (14th District), 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.

[0762-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete submitting an application for a Change of Agent, with a "Class B" Club Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Fifth Street Yacht Club of Racine Inc. DBA Fifth Street Yacht Club, located at 761 Marquette St. Racine, WI 53404, James C. Muleski, Agent. (1st

District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 08-07-2023: That the application for a Change of Agent, with a "Class B" Club Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Fifth Street Yacht Club of Racine Inc. DBA Fifth Street Yacht Club, located at 761 Marquette St. Racine, WI 53404, James C. Muleski, Agent. (1st District), 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.

[0781-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, requesting any consideration, any formal expression of concern, or other actions pursuant to the police report.

Staff Recommendation: To request the appearance of Taste of Soul located at 501 6th St. Rebecca McCray, Agent for a Formal Expression of Concern.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Jarrett

ABSENT: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

Transit Commission Report, by Ald. Jones

[0754-23](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Transit & Mobility Director, requesting permission to accept funding through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's 2023 Public Transit Assistance Program (PTAP) for transit capital projects. (Grant control #00527)

Staff Recommendation: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to accept funding through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's 2023 Public Transit Assistance Program (PTAP) for transit capital projects.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$160,000 with local match of \$40,000.

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

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

A motion was made by Alder Terry McCarthy, seconded by Alder Sam Peete, that this be Considered as Reported Adopted by the following vote

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Paffrath, Peterson, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Jarrett

ABSENT: 4 - Davis, Kaprelian, West and Sebastian

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 6:42 P.M. by Alder Horton
The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Tuesday, September 05, 2023.
ATTEST: TARA MCMENAMIN
CITY CLERK*