

City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Olivia Turquoise-Davis
Alder David Maack
Alder Melissa Kaprelian
Alder Sandy Weidner
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Cinthia Esqueda
Alder Terry McCarthy
Alder Sam Peete
Alder Mary Land
Alder Henry Perez
Alder Renee Kelly
Alder Marlo Harmon
Alder Cory Sebastian

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 12 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land,

Perez, Kelly, Harmon and Sebastian

ABSENT: 1 - Esqueda

EXCUSED: 2 - Jones and Kaprelian

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) February 4th, 2025

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

AYES: 12 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land,

Perez, Kelly, Harmon and Sebastian

ABSENT: 1 - Esqueda

EXCUSED: 2 - Jones and Kaprelian

D. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council: Deb Munch Michael Schrader Todd Lauer Ken Brown

E. Presentation from Patrick Flynn from 5K events, presenting on Memorial and Festival Hall

F. Communications Requested to Be Referred to Standing Committee

For Referral

0164-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Weidner and Alder Kelly, requesting an update from the City Administrator on the status of the police contract.

Recommendation of Alder Weidner and Alder Kelly: To refer the communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Recommendation of the Common Council on 02-19-2025: That the item be referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee and Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Staff Recommendation: To refer the communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee in accordance with ordinance section 74-38 "[c]ollective bargaining with certified bargaining until shall be carried on under the direction of the Finance and Personnel Committee."

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To Receive and File.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 02-26-2024: To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Coe, to amend this communication to refer jointly to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee and the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Maack, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Kelly, Harmon and Sebastian

NOES: 4 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Weidner and Perez

ABSENT: 1 - Esqueda

EXCUSED: 2 - Jones and Kaprelian

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Peete, to Approve the Communication as Amended. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land,

Perez, Kelly, Harmon and Sebastian

ABSENT: 1 - Esqueda

EXCUSED: 2 - Jones and Kaprelian

0166-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Kaprelian and Alderman Weidner presenting Ordinance 0001-25 - Common Council Committee Structure.

Staff Recommendation: To refer the communication to the executive committee as past practice has always sent committee restructuring to the executive committee.

Recommendation by Alder Kaprelian and Alderman Weidner: To refer the communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Recommendation of the Common Council on 02-19-2025: That the item be referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 02-26-2025: To be Approved.

Fiscal Note: None

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Harmon, that this Communication be Referred to the Executive Committee. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Horton, Peete, Harmon and Sebastian

NOES: 8 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, McCarthy, Land, Perez and Kelly

ABSENT: 3 - Jones, Kaprelian and Esqueda

A motion was made by Alder Weidner, seconded by Alder Coe, that this Communication be Referred to the Public Safety and Licensing Meeting. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 10 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly and Harmon

NOES: 1 - Sebastian

ABSENT: 4 - Jones, Kaprelian, Horton and Esqueda

Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee

0147-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Finance Director, requesting permission to enter into a professional services agreement with Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP to assist the City with how to Determine, Preserve, Enhance and Claim the IRA 22 tax credits eligible for the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic project.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: Motion to approve contract with review back to the Finance and Personnel Committee after phase 2; and that the Mayor and City Clerk be granted permission to enter into a professional services agreement with Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP to assist the City with how to Determine, Preserve, Enhance and Claim the IRA 22 tax credits eligible for the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic project.

Fiscal Note: Contract cost is \$146,500. Funding available in 45010 52100 22912. It is currently estimated that the City, because of these services, will receive between \$1.3M-\$2.0M in direct pay energy credits.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0151-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$135,251 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Wisconsin Well Woman Program Grant Agreement (Grant Control Numbers #00622, #00621).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$135,251 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Wisconsin Well Woman Program Grant Agreement (Grant Control Numbers #00622, #00621).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0152-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$11,855 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Preventive Health & Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant (Grant Control #00620).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$11,855 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Preventive Health & Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant (Grant Control #00620).

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Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0153-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$53,680 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Maternal Child Health Block Grant (Grant Control #00611).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$53,680 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Maternal Child Health Block Grant (Grant Control #00611).

Fiscal Note: City Match Required: \$40,260 (75%) the match will come from the City of Racine's contribution of staff time, administrative oversight, and reporting tasks.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0154-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$25,456 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Lead Contract (Grant Control #00610).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept reoccurring funding of \$25,456 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Lead Contract (Grant Control #00610).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0155-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to enter into an agreement and accept reoccurring funding of \$21,000 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV Prevention/Partner Services Agreement (Grant Control #00623).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to enter into an agreement and accept reoccurring funding of \$21,000 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV Prevention/Partner Services Agreement (Grant Control #00623).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0156-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$34,040 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Immunization Contract (Grant Control #00609).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$34,040 from the WI Department of Health Services for the 2025 Consolidated - Immunization Contract (Grant Control #00609).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0158-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Public Health Department, requesting permission to accept reoccurring funding of \$6,390 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV CTR Testing Fee for Service Grant Agreement (Grant Control #00624).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the Public Health Department be authorized to accept the reoccurring funding of \$6,390 from the WI Department of Health Services for the HIV CTR Testing Fee for Service Grant Agreement (Grant Control #00624).

Fiscal Note: No City Match Required.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0159-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Earl Tucker for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0160-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Patricia Peksa for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0161-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Alex Madisen for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0162-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Adam A. Locke for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0163-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Kaprelian, requesting consideration of a parking fee waiver for the September 13, 2025 Veterans Stand Down event at Festival Hall, which provides essential

services to homeless and at-risk veterans.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: That the request for a parking fee waiver for the September 13, 2025 Veterans Stand Down event at Festival Hall, which provides essential services to homeless and at-risk veterans be approved.

Fiscal Note: Cost not to exceed \$1,500.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0167-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, requesting the City Administrator provide a status update as to collective bargaining with General Teamsters Local Union No. 200.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0196-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the Finance Director, to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance and establishing the parameters for the sale of up to \$17,000,000 of 2025 general obligation promissory notes dated March 17, 2025 to be used as a bridge loan for paying the cost associated with the construction of the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic as authorized by the Common Council via resolution 0683-24 on August 20, 2024.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 02-24-2025: To approve a presentation of sale results and related resolution authorizing the issuance and establishing the parameters for the sale of up to \$17,000,000 of 2025 general obligation promissory notes dated March 17, 2025 to be used as a bridge loan for paying the cost associated with the construction of the Lincoln King Community Center Clinic as authorized by the Common Council via resolution 0683-24 on August 20, 2024.

Fiscal Note: Short term note to cover construction costs before other funding sources are available. Estimated interest rate is 4.21% with payments due in the years 2026 through 2027.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Land to Refer this Communication to the Finance and Personnel Committee. The motion was

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APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

Referred to Public Works and Services

0136-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez, on behalf of the City Engineer, requesting approval of the Encroachment Report for State Project ID: 2703-00-06, Ohio Street (Limits: Washington Ave. to Graceland Blvd.)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.25.25: That Encroachment Report for State Project ID: 2703-00-06, Ohio Street (Limits: Washington Ave. to Graceland Blvd.) be approved.

Fiscal Note: Funding for the removal notices is negligible. Funding for roadway construction will be provided in the CIP in 2027.

0137-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez, on behalf of the Commissioner of Public Works, submitting a professional services agreement between the City of Racine and AECOM.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.25.25: That the Public Works and Services Committee approve the professional services agreement and direct the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the agreement between the City of Racine and AECOM for 2025 Pavement Inspection and Planning, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$113,400.00.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Object:45040 57110 - Pavement Management Services.

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Works and Services Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0138-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez, on behalf of the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works, requesting to Waive Formal Bidding for the Safety Building Elevator Jack Repair.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.25.25: That the request of the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works to waive formal bidding procedures for the Safety Building Elevator Jack Repair, Express Elevator contractor.

Fiscal Note: Funding to defray the cost is available in Org-Object 70240 54100 Building Repairs and Maintenance.

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Works and Services Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0146-25

Subject:Communication sponsored by Alder Maack, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2025005 - 2025 Sanitary Sewer Main CIPP Lining.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.25.25: That Contract 2025005 - 2025 Sanitary Sewer Main CIPP Lining, be awarded to Visu-Sewer in the amount of \$839,608.25, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

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

\$572,065.25 22640 57560 Sanitary Sewer \$60,693.00 60484 57570 Storm Sewers \$206,850.00 40102 57560 RWWU \$839,608.25 Total

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Works and Services Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0168-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez requesting to revise the plowing policy to priority plowing around a radius of 3 blocks around all private and public schools in the City.

Recommendation: N/A

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Works and Services Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

Referred to Public Safety and Licensing Committee

0143-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, on behalf of the City Clerk's Office, submitting a new change of hours application for Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar LLC DBA Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar located at 1521 Washington Ave, Gia Muhammad, Agent. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 02-26-2025: That the new change of hours application for Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar LLC DBA Harold's Chicken and Ice Bar located at 1521 Washington Ave, Gia Muhammad, Agent. (3rd District), be Denied.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee. The motion was

APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0149-25

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

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 02-26-2025: To request the appearance of the Select 627 Bar located at 1111 Washington Ave, Natasha Evans, Agent, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0150-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, on behalf of the City of Racine Police Department, for the licenses premise report.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 02-26-2025: That the licenses premise report, be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

0165-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services, from Matt Witte, from Wisconsin Humane Society, requesting to host a large scale pet vaccination event for cats and dogs that reside in the 53404 zip code, request includes temporarily suspending ordinance section 70-90 Animals prohibited, to be held at Lincoln Park on Saturday May, 3 2025, (rain date Saturday May 10, 2025), from 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Staff Recommendation: Recommend that the request to host a large scale pet vaccination event for cats and dogs that reside in the 53404 zip code, including temporarily suspending ordinance section 70-90 Animals prohibited, to be held at Lincoln Park on Saturday May, 3 2025, (rain date Saturday May 10, 2025), from 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. be approved, provided PRCS Administration is in agreement with specific location details and that approval is also granted by other impacted departments.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder McCarthy to Refer this Communication to the Public Safety and Licensing Committee. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

G. Committee Reports

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Maack

0109-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting final payment for Contract 2024068 - Downtown Street Lighting, WIL-Surge Electric, Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.11.25: That the work completed by WIL-Surge Electric Inc., Contractor, on Contract 2024068 - Downtown Street Lighting, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$98,415.40. Final payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract 2024068 was authorized under Resolution No. 0573-24, dated July 16, 2024.

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

0108-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2024068 - Downtown Street Lighting, WIL-Surge Electric, Inc., Contractors.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 02.11.25: That Change Order No. 1 to Contract 2024068 - Downtown Street Lighting, WIL-Surge Electric, Inc., Contractors, be approved in the amount of \$297.00.

Fiscal Note: Funding for this change order is available in the following Org-Object: 45040 57520 GOB Street Lighting

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

Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board Report, by Ald. Peete

0124-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting the use of non-federal revolving loan funds of up to \$14,337 for New Construction at 1644 S. Memorial Drive.

Recommendation of the CDBG Advisory Board on 02-10-25: To approve the allocation of up to \$359,263 in HOME funds and \$14,337 in non-federal revolving loan funds for the redevelopment of 1644 S. Memorial Drive, with the completed property to be sold to a

HOME-eligible homeowner.

Fiscal Note: Sufficient HOME funds are available to cover the \$359,263 allocation, and \$14,337 in non-federal revolving loan funds will be used to bridge the funding gap for the new home construction. When the completed property is sold, \$14,337 of the revenue will be used to replenish the Non-Federal Revolving Loan Fund, and any remaining revenue will be reinvested into the HOME Fund.

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

AYES: 10 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land, Kelly,

Harmon and Sebastian

NOES: 2 - Weidner and Perez

ABSENT: 1 - Esqueda

EXCUSED: 2 - Jones and Kaprelian

Office of the Mayor Report, by Ald. McCarthy

Announcement of Reorganization of the Public Works and Services Committee

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

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

AYES: 12 - Coe, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Weidner, Horton, McCarthy, Peete, Land,

Perez, Kelly, Harmon and Sebastian

ABSENT: 3 - Jones, Kaprelian and Esqueda

- I. Moment of Silence and Remembrance of Alder Mollie Jones
- J. 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.

K. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M. by Alder Horton.
The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Tuesday March 04, 2025.
ATTEST: TARA MCMENAMIN
CITY CLERK