



City of Racine Meeting Minutes

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Finance and Personnel Committee

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

Monday, June 25, 2007

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call to Order and Roll Call

PRESENT: 5 - James T. Spangenberg, Thomas Friedel, Sandy Weidner, Aron Wisneski and Michael Shields

Approval of the minutes for June 11, 2007 meeting. to Approve the Minutes

1. [07-0660](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Assistant Commissioner Public Works/Engineering requesting permission to accept a grant from the Root-Pike Watershed Initiative Network, Grant Control No. 2007-029.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on
06-25-07:** Item to be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Rick Jones, Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, appeared before the Committee requesting the item to be received and filed.
Recommended to be Received and Filed

Alderman Michael Shields arrived at the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

2. [07-0700](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer requesting to meet with the Finance and Personnel Committee regarding a minor reorganization within the Department of Public Works, Facility Management Division.

Recommendation: That the reorganization plan for the Department of Public Works, Facility Management Division, be approved in concept and referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

**Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on
06-25-07:** Permission granted for the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer to: 1.) eliminate two long-seasonal employee positions and one student position for the 2008 year; 2.) shift the responsibility for maintaining the field operation facility to the Facility Manager, 3.) shift supervisory responsibility for the current Building Maintenance Worker HU-9 from the Equipment Maintenance Manager to the Building Complex Facility Manager, and 4.) to create a Building Maintenance Supervisor position at

a NR-11 level with salary midpoint of \$53,658.

Fiscal Note: This reorganization will have no impact in cost to the City's budget.

Rick Jones, Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, Bill Miller Facility Manager and Tom Eeg, Assistant Commissioner Public Works/Engineer Operations, appeared before the Committee to discuss a reorganization within the Department of Public Works, Facility Management Division.

Recommended For Approval

3. [07-0762](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the Department of Natural Resources. (Grant Control #2006-048)

Also refer to the Board of Health

Staff recommendation to the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$20,127 agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Grant Control No. 2006-048) to be utilized for conducting bacterial indicator sampling for beach closures for public health concerns.

Fiscal Note: A \$46,282 soft match is required on the part of the City.

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee requesting permission to accept \$20,127 from United Way of Racine County to be utilized for conducting bacterial indicator sampling for beach closures for public health concerns.

Recommended For Approval

4. [07-0763](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to accept funding from the United Way of Racine County. (Grant Control #2007-034)

Also refer to the Board of Health.

Staff recommendation to the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$60,982 agreement with the United Way of Racine County (Grant Control No. 2007-034) to be utilized for the FSKF Home Visitor Program.

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

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee requesting to accept \$60,982 from the United Way of Racine County to be utilized for FSKF Home Visitor Program.

Recommended For Approval

5. [07-0760](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting

permission to accept funding from the United Way of Racine County, Inc. (Grant Control #2007-004)

Also refer to the Board of Health.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a \$50,000 agreement with the United Way of Racine County (Grant Control No. 2007-004) to be utilized for the Teen Parent Support Program.

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City. The City will act as the fiscal agent for other entities. The City's portion will be \$29,800.

Marcia Fernholz, Director of Environmental Health, appeared before the Committee requesting to accept \$50,000 with the United Way of Racine County to be utilized for the Teen Parent Support Program.

Recommended For Approval

6. [07-0773](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney submitting the claim of Barbara Thompson for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: The claim of Barbara Thompson, of 1737 Howe Street, be settled in the amount of \$17,000 for injuries and damages arising from an auto accident on June 14, 2005 with a DPW vehicle.

Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available in account 101.990.5910, Judgment and Claims.

Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee requesting permission to settle the claim of Barbara Thompson for \$17,000 for injuries and damages arising from an auto accident on June 14, 2005 with a DPW truck.

Recommended For Approval

7. [07-0746](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney requesting additional funding for the 2007 Budget, account 101.160.5610, Professional Services.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: Permission granted to transfer \$50,000 from account 101.990.5970, Contingency to cover account 101.160.5610, Professional Services.

Fiscal Note: Sufficient funds are available for the transfer.

Scott Letteney, Deputy City Attorney, appeared before the Committee requesting additional funding for the 2007 Budget, account 101.160.5610, Professional Services.

Recommended For Approval

8. [07-0794](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Director of the Finance Department requesting to discuss the bond issue to cover the 2007 Capital Projects.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

06-25-07: Authorization be granted to borrow sufficient funds to cover the 2007 Capital Improvement Projects.

Fiscal Note: Note Anticipation Notes issuance of approximately \$7,500,000 for 2007 CIP. Final debt amount will be determined by market conditions and total issuance costs.

Bradley Viegut, Director of Baird appeared before the Committee discussing the bond issue to cover the 2007 Capital Projects.

Recommended For Approval

Miscellaneous Business

None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday July 9, 2007 at City Hall, Room 301.