



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance and Personnel Committee

Alder Tyler Townsend
Alder Jens Jorgensen
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Grace Allen
Alder Mary Land

Monday, June 23, 2025

5:30 PM

Racine Public Library, Emily Lee Room

Call To Order

PRESENT: 4 - Land, Jorgensen, Townsend and Horton

EXCUSED: 1 - Allen

Approval of Minutes for the June 9, 2025 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Townsend, to Approve the Minutes.

The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Land, Jorgensen, Townsend and Horton

EXCUSED: 1 - Allen

0616-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason and Alder Land, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to apply for the 2025 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant, Control #00637.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the Chief of Police be granted approval to apply for the 2025 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant, Control #00637.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$43,072. No city match is required.

Police Chief Ramirez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Townsend, seconded by Alder Jorgensen, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

0617-25

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason and Alder Land, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to apply for the 2025 Federal Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant, Control #00639.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the Chief of Police be granted approval to apply for the 2025 Federal Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant, Control #00639.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$76,034. **City Match:** \$76,034

Police Chief Ramirez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Townsend, seconded by Alder Horton, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0618-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason and Alder Land, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to apply for the 2026 Beat Patrol Grant, Control #00636.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the Chief of Police be granted approval to apply for the 2026 Beat Patrol Grant, Control #00636.

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$121,434. **City Match:** \$40,478 (25%)

Police Chief Ramirez, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Townsend, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0578-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting to modify Ordinance 0006-25 - Certification of Parking Citation Debt, which was approved on May 20, 2025, to correct the misnumbered Section 94-23 to the properly numbered Section 94-24.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: To approve the correction as presented.

Fiscal Note: N/A

City Attorney Letteney, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Horton, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0614-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, requesting permission to enter into contract #2025302 with the Racine Art Museum Association, Inc. for the operation of the Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts for a five year term with an optional 1 year extension beginning 01/01/2025.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute

contract #2025302 with the Racine Art Museum Association, Inc. for the operation of the Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts for a five year term with an optional 1 year extension beginning 01/01/2025.

Fiscal Note: The City contribution to the Association will be \$392,000 for calendar year 2025, and then 400,000 annually, subject to such amount being budgeted and approved by the Common Council in the annual city budget. Funds are available in the following accounts for 2025. General Fund 15098 52100: \$350,000 and Wustum Trust Fund: 50008 52100 \$42,000. Funds are available in the following accounts for 2026. General Fund 15098 52100: \$350,000 and Wustum Trust Fund: 50008 52100 \$50,000.

City Administrator Sullivan, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Townsend, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[0610-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Judith M. Erickson for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 06-23-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Jorgensen, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0611-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the City Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Tanisha L. Norris for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 06-23-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Horton, seconded by Alder Jorgensen, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0613-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the City

Attorney's Office, submitting the claim of Albert Dunn for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the claim be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deputy City Attorney Roubik, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Horton, that the disallowance of this claim be Recommended for Approval.

[0643-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the City Administrator, submitting the negotiated International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 200 2025 to 2026 collective bargaining agreement for consideration.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: That the negotiated International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 200 2025 to 2026 collective bargaining agreement be approved.

Fiscal Note: Includes wage increases of 3.0% in 2025 and 3.5% in 2026; a residency pay differential of 1% in 2025 and 2% in 2026; \$500 retention bonus each year for mechanics. The cumulative costs of the negotiated settlement over the two-year period amount to approximately \$375,000 in wages and benefits. Base wages will increase by 6.5% over the term of the contract.

City Administrator Sullivan, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Jorgensen, seconded by Alder Townsend, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

Closed Session

It is intended that the Finance and Personnel Committee will convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes section 19.85(1)(g) to discuss strategy for litigation in which the City of Racine is or is likely to be involved.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Horton, to go into Closed Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Land, Jorgensen, Townsend and Horton

EXCUSED: 1 - Allen

[0609-25](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney present proposed settlement in the case of *Schoff, et al., v. City of Racine, et al.*, Racine County Circuit Court Case No. 24CV669

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: To approve \$55,000.00 to settle this case as discussed in closed session.

Fiscal Note: Settlement amount of \$55,000 will come from account #11202 53500 Judgement and Claims.

Assistant City Attorney Pomplin, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Jorgensen, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

[1074-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Horton, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney present proposed settlement in *BREG Pike River Development, Inc., et al., v. City of Racine, et al.*, Racine County Circuit Court Case No. 24 CV 964, and in *BREG Pike River Development, Inc., et al., v. City of Racine, et al.*, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin Case No. 24 CV 909.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

11-25-2024: That the item be deferred.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

05-12-2025: To Defer.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

06-23-2025: To approve \$200,000.00 to settle this case as discussed in closed session.

Fiscal Note: Settlement amount of \$200,000 will come from account #11202 53500 Judgement and Claims.

Assistant City Attorney Pomplin, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Horton, that this file be Recommended For Approval.

Open Session

The Finance and Personnel Committee will return to open session and may take action on any item discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by Alder Land, seconded by Alder Townsend, to go into Open Session.

The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 4 - Land, Jorgensen, Townsend and Horton

EXCUSED: 1 - Allen

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:05p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, July 7, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Alder Land, Chair

Finance & Personnel Committee