



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

2025 Budget Meeting

Call To Order

PRESENT: 14 - Coe, Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

Approval of Minutes for the October 15th, 2024 Meeting.

Alder Maack made a motion to Approve the Minutes, seconded by Alder Horton. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

ABSENT: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0951-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the City of Racine Fire Department, requesting permission to adopt Ord. 0006-24 - Ambulance Billing and Lift Assist Costs Recovery.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 11-11-2024: To approve.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-26-2024: To approve adopting Ord. 0006-24 - Ambulance Billing and Lift Assist Costs Recovery.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Weidner that his Communication be Referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee, and the Public Safety and Licensing Committee. The motions PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

ABSENT: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0942-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0008-24 - Amendments to the Abatement Phase of the Chronic Nuisance Premises Ordinance

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11/26/24: To adopt Ord. 0008-24 - Amendments to the Abatement Phase of the Chronic Nuisance Premises Ordinance as amended to include a annual review of chronic nuisance premises for the year at the last meeting of the public safety and licensing committee.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 13 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

ABSENT: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0943-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0009-24 - Appeals of Health Officer Determinations

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11/26/24: To adopt Ord. 0009-24 - Appeals of Health Officer Determinations

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 13 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

ABSENT: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0946-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0011-24 - Amendment of the Large Vehicle Parking Ordinance

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Weidner that his Communication be Referred to Public Works and Services Committee. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 13 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

EXCUSED: 2 - Coe and Esqueda

[0949-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0012-24 - Chronic Nuisance Premises to Include Permanent and Mobile Commercial Business Establishments

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11/26/24: To adopt Ord. 0012-24 - Chronic Nuisance Premises to Include Permanent and Mobile Commercial Business Establishments

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 13 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

NOES: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0948-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0014-24 - Impounding Vehicles Involved in Reckless Driving

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11/26/24: To adopt Ord. 0014-24 - Impounding Vehicles Involved in Reckless Driving

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

AYES: 13 - Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

ABSENT: 1 - Coe

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0947-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0015-24 - Reduction of Short-Term Parking Meter Zone from 30 to 25 Minutes

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Weidner that his Communication be Referred to Public Works and Services Committee. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Coe, Jones, Turquoise-Davis, Maack, Kaprelian, Weidner, Horton, Chair
McCarthy, Peete, Land, Perez, Kelly, Sebastian and Harmon

EXCUSED: 1 - Esqueda

[0945-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0010-24 - Repeal and Recreation of the Trees and Vegetation Ordinance

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Weidner that his Communication be Referred to Public Works and Service Committee. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

[0954-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting to adopt Ord. 0017-24 Special Assessments- Speed Humps

A motion was made by Alder Maack, seconded by Alder Jones that his Communication be Referred to Public Works and Services Committee. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

[0939-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason submitting the proposed 2025 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Associated Budget, Positions, and Fee Schedules as attached are anticipated to be included in adoption of this item.

Staff Recommendation: That the proposed 2025 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds. Associated Budget, Positions, and Fee Schedules as attached are anticipated to be included in adoption of this item, be approved as amended

**Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole Passed
Amendments:**

1. To add \$4,000 to the council budget to help clean District #2 and District #3 neighborhood next spring for tires and other items
3. To modify the City HSA contribution for all employees including library to have the residency differential by 50% more than the non-resident rate for the 2025 budget.
6. To remove the \$200,000 allocation from city budget to library fund
7. To reinstate the 20-year club to active and retired employees for a banquet to its 2018 budgeted amount
10. To allocate appropriate funding for an inside audit of departmental and employee P-cards
11. That TIDS 22, 23, 27, 28, and 31 allocation for administration costs

- be codified at 15% of annual revenues from each individual TID, until further action on policy is adopted
12. That TIDS 22, 23, 27, 28, and 31 allocation for infrastructure costs to be codified at 25% of annual revenues for each individual TID. Eligible costs to include street/alley maintenance.
 14. To remove the Communications Director position from the office of the Mayor and add the Communications Director position to the Department of Customer Service
 - 14a. To eliminate the Strategic Initiatives Manager from the Mayors Office and use those funds to pay for 1 Racine Police Department Officer
 15. To eliminate the Sustainability Coordinator from the Water Utility and Wastewater Utility
 16. To retain the .25 Attorney position
 17. To eliminate the Recruiter position from Human Resources
 22. To add 1 position for TID applications to City Development
 23. To allocate \$30,000 from TID #28 for Colonial Park Security Measures
 25. To move Neighborhood Watch under contracted services in the Police Department and add \$30,000 to the budget
 26. To add 5 patrol positions to the police department that were previously ARPA funded
 27. To allow the Police Department to train private and parochial schools who request training for privately hiring school crossing guards and provide school crossing guards to any middle and elementary school who requests a school crossing guard.
 28. To add \$100,000 to continue the facade grant program from the IG fund for 2025
 31. To purchase additional speed signs, 1 pair per District

Fiscal Note: A copy of the 2025 City of Racine Budget consisting of the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund, Capital Project Funds, Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds are on file in the Office of the Finance Director and on the City Website.

Deferred

[0781-24](#)

Subject: Request for Approval of the Proposed 2025 Waterworks Operations & Maintenance Budget, and the Proposed 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan

Recommendation of the Waterworks Commission on 09/17/2024:
To Adopt the Proposed 2025 Operations & Maintenance Budget as Presented with a Referral to the Committee of the Whole

Recommendation of the Waterworks Commission on 09/17/2024:
To Adopt the 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as presented

with a Referral to the Committee of the Whole

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 11-14-2024:

To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deferred

[0792-24](#)

Subject: Submission of the Proposed 2025 Wastewater Operations and Maintenance Budget and the Proposed 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Plan

Staff Recommendation: To Adopt the Operations & Maintenance Budget and the Capital Improvement Plan as presented with a Referral to the Committee of the Whole

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 11-14-2024:

To approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deferred

[0793-24](#)

Subject: Approval of the 2025 Sewer Service Rates

Staff Recommendation: To Approve with Referral to the Committee of the Whole

Recommendation of the Committee of the Whole on 11-14-2024:

To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

Deferred

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by President McCarthy at 11:09 PM