



# City of Racine

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Public Works and Services Committee

*Chairman Jim Kaplan  
Vice Chairman Raymond DeHahn  
Sandy Weidner  
Michael Shields  
Henry Perez*

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Tuesday, June 24, 2014

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 303

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### Call To Order

*The meeting was called to order at 5:31 P.M.*

**PRESENT:** 4 - Chairman Kaplan, Sandy Weidner, Raymond DeHahn and Michael Shields

**EXCUSED:** 1 - Henry Perez

Also Present: Mark Yehlen, John Rooney, Ken Plaski, Lori Jaime  
Excused: Tom Eeg

### Approval of Minutes for the June 10, 2014 Meeting.

*The minutes of the June 10, 2014 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.*

1. [14-10294](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Radisson Hotel Racine Harbourwalk (223 Gaslight Circle) requesting to add a monument sign to the Gaslight Drive grassy knoll area in the circle turn around and proposing a road direction change on Gaslight Circle.

#### **Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-24-14: Defer**

*Lori Jaime appeared before the Committee and requested permission be given to add a Radisson monument sign to the circle at the end of Gaslight Drive in the cul-de-sac. She noted it was very difficult for patrons to find Gaslight and thought this would be the appropriate place to put a sign.*

*John Rooney noted he didn't believe private advertising could be placed in the public right-of-way and suggested the City Attorney be contacted to see if that is even a viable request. He did note there is a Radisson sign on the Gaslight Ramp parking structure for the Radisson which Radisson has an agreement with the City to have at that location. He noted that is City-owned property as opposed to public right-of-way and there are differences between what can and cannot be in the right-of-way and on City-owned property.*

*Lori Jaime also asked for permission to reverse the one-way traffic on Gaslight Circle. She noted, currently, traffic comes in on Gaslight Circle just west of the Gaslight Parking Ramp and circles the ramp and exits by the end of Gaslight Drive by*

*the Radisson. She noted this is inconvenient and confusing to patrons of the Radisson. She said it would be preferred that the direction be reversed where patrons could come to the end of Gaslight Drive and turn right down to the hotel and then exit Gaslight near the northwest corner of the parking structure.*

*John Rooney noted if that change was made, the median that currently exists at the intersection of Gaslight Drive and Gaslight Circle, would have to be removed to allow vehicles to make a left turn off Gaslight Circle to go westbound on Gaslight Drive. He noted the cost to do that, in his opinion, should be borne by the Radisson Hotel. His recommendation to the Committee was to get some cost estimates to remove the island and signage and also consult with the City Attorney regarding the monument sign in public right-of-way.*

*After further discussion, a motion was made by Weidner, seconded by DeHahn to defer. Passed unanimously.*

**Deferred**

2. [14-10297](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from Real Racine requesting the use of the former Walker site for storage of race supplies and vehicles and parking for the Ironman 70.3 Triathlon on Sunday, July 20, 2014.

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-24-14:** That permission be granted to Real Racine to use the City-owned property, commonly known as the Walker Site, on July 14 - 21, 2014, for the storage of equipment and supplies and spectator parking for the Ironman 70.3 Triathlon, with the following stipulations:

- A. A hold harmless agreement be executed and a \$75.00 processing fee be paid.
- B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.
- C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.
- D. The sponsor pay the City \$1.50 for each car which is allowed to park on this public property.

**Fiscal Note:** The City of Racine will share a percentage of the proceeds which Real Racine obtains through charging for parking on this property.

*Mark Yehlen described the request and noted it was similar to last year's request with the same stipulations and cost.*

*Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Shields to approve. Passed unanimously.*

**Recommended For Approval**

3. [14-10251](#)

**Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from the Chief Building Inspector requesting revisions to Section 114-36 of the City Zoning Code, inserting language to initiate inspection fees pertaining to violation inspections performed by the Zoning Administrator and/or his

Deputies.

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee  
on 06-10-14: Defer**

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee  
on 06-24-14: Defer**

*Ken Plaski appeared before the Committee and noted the problem with repeat violators on the issues as it relates to conditional use and occupancy permits for commercial properties. He noted if the property owners are not complying with the occupancy permit or the conditional use, a citation is issued and they are generally dismissed or greatly reduced at Municipal Court. He noted this costs his department a great deal of time and lost revenue to get compliance. He asked for a change in the ordinance language to charge a \$100 violation if there is an issue with the occupancy permit or conditional use not being met.*

*Alderman Weidner noted that this first inspection should be on the City and the property owners should be given, perhaps, a 30-day notice to comply. Then the citation could be changed to a fee, at that point, as to not lose money through the citation and Municipal Court process. In an effort to be more business friendly, Alderman Weidner noted that the Building Department should be more interested in compliance and not the revenue dollars.*

*Ken Plaski noted he could make some changes that were requested by the Committee and bring the item back.*

*Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Shields to defer. Passed unanimously.*

**Deferred**

4. [14-10302](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works submitting bid results on Contract 29-14 (K4-029), City Hall Annex - Boiler Replacement (R1).

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee  
on 06-24-14:** That Contract 29-14 (K4-029), City Hall Annex - Boiler Replacement (R1), be awarded to Core Mechanical, Inc., Chicago, IL, at their bid price of \$527,895.00, they being the lowest responsible bidder.

**Fiscal Note:** Funding to defray the cost of this public works project should be appropriated from the following accounts:

\$214,765.00 - Account 994.200.5030, Annex-Boiler Replacement  
\$313,130.00 - Account 993.200.5030, Annex-Boiler Replacement  
\$527,895.00 - Total

*Mark Yehlen explained the bid opening to the Committee and recommended the lowest responsible bidder.*

*Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to approve. Passed unanimously.*

**Recommended For Approval**

5. [14-10303](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works submitting bid results on Contract 30-14 (K4-030), Central Heating Plant - Steam Pipe Replacement (R1).

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-24-14:** That Contract 30-14 (K4-030), Central Heating Plant - Steam Pipe Replacement (R1), be awarded to United Mechanical, Inc., Racine, WI, at their bid price of \$187,488.00, they being the lowest responsible bidder.

**Fiscal Note:** Funding to defray the cost of this public works project be appropriated from Account 994.220.5020, Central Heating Plant-Replace Steam Pipes.

*Mark Yehlen explained the bid opening to the Committee and recommended the lowest responsible bidder for the base bid and Alternate 1 and Alternate 2.*

*Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Shields to approve. Passed unanimously.*

**Recommended For Approval**

6. [14-10304](#)

**Subject:** Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works submitting bid results on Contract 31-14 (K4-031), City Hall Tuckpointing.

**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-24-14:** Defer

*Mark Yehlen asked that this item be deferred. He noted there was an issue pending with the e-bid process.*

*Motion made by Weidner, seconded by DeHahn to defer. Passed unanimously.*

**Deferred**

7. [14-10301](#)

**Subject:** Resolution No. 14-0265, created June 17, 2014, being a final resolution relating to street improvements on:

**PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVING**

Regal Court - Monarch Drive to the Cul-de-sac  
Duchess Drive - Emstan Hills Road to Biscayne Avenue  
Pritchard Drive - 450' north of Maryland Avenue to Maryland Avenue

**BITUMINOUS CONCRETE PAVING**

Regal Court - Monarch Drive to the Cul-de-sac  
Duchess Drive - Emstan Hills Road to Biscayne Avenue  
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**CURB & GUTTER**

Regal Court - Monarch Drive to the Cul-de-sac  
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**Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 06-24-14:** That Resolution 14-0265, created June 17, 2014, be amended to delete:

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Pritchard Drive - 450' north of Maryland Avenue to Maryland Avenue

**BITUMINOUS CONCRETE PAVING**

Regal Court - Monarch Drive to the Cul-de-sac

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and, as amended, Resolution 14-0265, of June 17, 2014, be adopted.

*John Rooney went through the individual streets of the Public Hearing on June 10, 2014.*

*Regal Court - Monarch Drive to the Cul-de-sac  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to approve PCCP and Curb and Gutter. Passed unanimously.  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to delete Bituminous Concrete Paving. Passed unanimously.*

*Duchess Drive - Emstan Hills Road to Biscayne Avenue  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to delete PCCP and Curb and Gutter. Passed unanimously.  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to approve Bituminous Concrete Paving. Passed unanimously.*

*Pritchard Drive - 450' north of Maryland Avenue to Maryland Avenue  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to delete PCCP and Curb and Gutter. Passed unanimously.  
Motion made by Weidner, seconded by Shields to approve Bituminous Concrete Paving. Passed unanimously.*

*Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Shields to approve as amended. Passed unanimously.*

**Recommended For Approval**

**Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 6:21 P.M.*

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