



# City of Racine Meeting Minutes

City Hall  
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## Finance and Personnel Committee

*Chairman James T. Spangenberg, Vice Chair Thomas Friedel,  
Alderman Thomas M. Sollman, Alderman Pete Karas,  
Alderman Jarvis Finley*

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Monday, February 27, 2006

5:00 PM

City Hall Room 103

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1. **The meeting was called to order by Alderman James Spangenberg at 5:01 p.m. in Room 103, City Hall.**

2. Members present: Alderman James Spangenberg, Chairman  
Alderman Thomas Friedel, Vice Chairman  
Alderman Thomas Sollman  
Alderman Jarvis Finley

Excused: Alderman Peter Karas

Also present: David Brown and Terry Parker

3. **Approval of Minutes for the February 13, 2006 Meeting.**

4. [06-1499](#) Subject: Communication from the Chairman of South Eastern Area Narcotics Anonymous requesting the use of the Racine Community Centers at reduced rates for the year 2006.

Recommendation: That South Eastern Area Narcotics Anonymous be granted permission to utilize community centers at the nonprofit noncharging rate 3 times in 2006.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*Victor Hill, Unity and Activities Chairperson for South Eastern Family Area Narcotics Anonymous and Donnie Snow, Director of Parks & Recreation and Cultural Services, appeared before the Committee. Victor Hill is requesting reduced rates for the use of the community centers to be utilized 3 to 4 times a year at a 5 to 6 hour increment. Narcotics Anonymous, a nonprofit organization, is donating \$240 annually to the Parks & Recreation and Cultural Services for the use of the center.*

5.        [06-1620](#)        Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-it or Ticket Mobilization grant (Grant Control No. 2006-005).
- (Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of Finance and Personnel Committee: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-it or Ticket Mobilization grant, Grant Control No. 2006-005, in the amount of \$5,000.
- Fiscal Note: 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,250 is required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-It or Ticket Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-005).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to apply for the Click-It or Ticket Mobilization grant to be utilized for improving traffic safety regarding seat belts.*

6.        [06-1567](#)        Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-It or Ticket Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-005). The grant is in the amount of \$5,000, with a 25% soft match (\$1,250).
- (Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-it or Ticket Mobilization grant, Grant Control No. 2006-005, in the amount of \$5,000.
- Fiscal Note: 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,250 required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Click-It or Ticket Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-005).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to accept the Click-It or Ticket Mobilization grant to be utilized for improving traffic safety regarding seat belts.*

7. [06-1560](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-006). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000 with a 25% soft match (\$1,000).
- (Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant, Grant Control No. 2006-006, in the amount of \$4,000.
- Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-006).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to apply for the 2006 Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant to be utilized for education and enforcement of bicycle safety.*
8. [06-1568](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting to accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-006). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000 with a 25% soft match (\$1,000).
- (Referred to the Finance & Personnel Committee and to the License & Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant, Grant Control No. 2006-006, in the amount of \$4,000.
- Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-006).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to accept the 2006 Bicycle Safety Enforcement grant to be utilized for education and enforcement of bicycle safety.*

9.        [06-1561](#)        Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-007). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000 with a 25% soft match (\$1,000).
- (Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant, Grant Control No. 2006-007, in the amount of \$4,000.
- Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-007).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to apply for the Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant to be utilized for the increase of pedestrian safety at festivals during the summer and school zones in early spring.*
10.       [06-1569](#)        Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-007). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000, with a 25% soft match (\$1,000).
- (Referred to Finance & Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)
- Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement for the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant, Grant Control No. 2006-007, in the amount of \$4,000.
- Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 required on the part of the City.
- Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the 2006 Department of Transportation Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant (grant control #2006-007).
- David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to accept the Pedestrian Safety Enforcement grant to be utilized for the increase of pedestrian safety at festivals during the summer and school zones in early spring.*

11. [06-1558](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (grant control # 2006-004). The grant amount is \$20,000 with a 25% soft match (\$5,000).

(Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License & Welfare Committee)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: The Committee recommends that the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant, Grant Control No. 2006-004, in the amount of \$20,000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match of \$5,000 is required on the part of the City.

Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-004).

*David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to apply for the 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant to be utilized for extra enforcement patrols during the holiday weekends of Memorial Day, Labor Day, and 4th of July.*

12. [06-1566](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-004). The grant is in the amount of \$20,000, with a 25% soft match (\$5,000).

(Referred to Finance and Personnel and to the License and Welfare Committee)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant, Grant Control No. 2006-004, in the amount of \$20,000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$5,000 required on the part of the City.

Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant (grant control #2006-004).

*David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to accept the 2006 Alcohol Enforcement Mobilization grant to be utilized for extra enforcement patrols during the holiday weekends of Memorial Day, Labor Day, and 4th of July.*

13. [06-1562](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant (grant control #2006-008). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000-\$6,000 with a 25% soft match (\$1,000-\$1,500).

(Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License & Welfare Committee)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant, Grant Control No. 2006-008, in the amount of \$4,000 - \$6,000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 - \$1,500 required on the part of the City.

Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant (grant control #2006-008).

*David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to apply for the 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant to be utilized for monitoring convenient store selling alcohol to underage children. Recognition and citation is utilized during the monitoring.*

14. [06-1571](#) Subject: Communication from the Chief of Police requesting permission to accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant (grant control #2006-008). The grant is in the amount of \$4,000 - \$6,000, with a 25% soft match (\$1,000 - \$1,500).

(Referred to Finance and Personnel Committee and to the License and Welfare Committee)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with the Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant, Grant Control No. 2006-008, in the amount of \$4,000 - \$6000.

Fiscal Note: A 25% soft match in the amount of \$1,000 - 1,500 required on the part of the City.

Recommendation of the License and Welfare Committee: The Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for and accept the Wisconsin Department of Transportation 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant (grant control #2006-008).

*David Spenner, Chief of Police, appeared before the Committee. His request is to accept the 2006 Youth Alcohol Enforcement CARD grant to be utilized for monitoring convenient store selling alcohol to underage children. Recognition and citation is utilized during the monitoring.*

15. [06-1532](#) Subject: Communication from the Public Health Administrator requesting permission to apply for funding from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association/Great Lakes International Environmental Laboratory, Grant Control No. 2006-009.
- (Referred to the Finance & Personnel Committee and to the Board of Health)
- Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Public Health Administrator be granted permission to apply for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association/Great Lakes International Environmental Laboratory grant, Grant Control No. 2006-009, in the amount of \$200,000 per year for three years, to be utilized to develop a beach management/classification system for the Great Lakes.
- Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.
- Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee. She is requesting permission to apply for the grant to be utilized to find the source of pollution in the Great Lakes as well as the impact the source of the pollution has on the beach. The City of Racine has been requested to be on the National Advisory Board to create the standards nationally. The partners in the application include the USEPA, SEPA, USGA, University of Surrey, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Parkside, UW-Milwaukee, the Wisconsin DNR and MI Dept. of Environmental Quality.*
16. [06-1533](#) Subject: The Public Health Administrator requests permission for the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a contract with Managed Health Services.
- (Referred to the Finance & Personnel Committee and to the Board of Health)
- Recommendation from Finance & Personnel Committee: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to sign a contract with Managed Health Services enabling the City of Racine's Health Department to receive Medicare reimbursement for dedicated health care services provided to the Managed Health Services and Medicaid/Badger Care enrollees.
- Fiscal Note: N/A
- Janelle Grammer, Public Health Administrator, appeared before the Committee. Individuals on Medicaid are required to sign up for 1 of 4 specific HMO's within the City and County of Racine. Allowing the City to sign an agreement with a third party unit will allow the City of Racine's Health Department be reimbursed for Medicare for services provided.*
17. [06-1557](#) Subject: Communication from the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department to use the Cemetery's maintenance funds for a project requested by the Cemetery Commission.
- Recommendation: That permission be granted for the transfer of funds in the cemetery's Maintenance Fund to be utilized for the landscape plan around the Mound Cemetery office.
- Fiscal Note: Money is available within the general fund for the projects at the Mound Cemetery office and chapel landscaping.
- Donnie Snow, Director of Parks & Recreation and Cultural Services, appeared before the Committee. He request the funds be transferred to do landscape around the Mound Cemetery office.*

18. [06-1563](#) Subject: Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works requesting the transfer of funds for the purchase of a plan-size copier for the Engineering Department.
- Recommendation: That the 2005 budget be amended to transfer \$10,000 from account 101.600.5770, Traffic - Speed Humps; \$5,409 from account 101.600.5780 Traffic - Vehicles; and \$15,591 from account 101.630.5780 Street Maintenance - Vehicles to account 101.130.5770 Engineering Equipment - Copier and that this balance be carried forward to 2006 to cover the cost of a plan-size copy machine.
- Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available for above transfer.
- Rick Jones, Commissioner of Public Works, appeared before the Committee. The copier for Engineering Department utilized for large set of drawings is no longer functioning and unable to be repaired.*
19. [06-1564](#) Subject: Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works requesting the transfer of funds to replace air conditioning compressors at Festival Hall.
- Recommendation: That permission granted for the 2005 Capital Improvement budget be amended to transfer \$15,000 from account 108.985.5010 Festival Hall - Sound System to account 108-985.5030 Festival Hall - HVAC and that the balance be carried forward to 2006.
- Fiscal Note: There are sufficient funds available for the above transfer.
- Rick Jones, Commissioner of Public Works, appeared before the Committee. He is requesting the transfer of funds because the air conditioning unit's compressors have failed and are unable to be repaired.*
20. [06-1580](#) Subject: Communication from the Director of City Development wishing to discuss the agreement with State at Main LLC for the development of 141 Main Street.
- Recommendation: That the City of Racine/Racine Redevelopment Authority's Term Sheet be approved with State at Main LLC. for the development of 141 Main Street.
- Fiscal Note: N/A
- Brian O'Connell, Director of City Development, appeared before the Committee. This is concerning Tax Increment District No. 13 that was created to facilitate the redevelopment of the corner of State and Main. The partners involved are Gorman Company for the residential component and Johnson Redevelopment for the retail component. He is requesting the creation of a Tax Increment District to provide a grant to the developers for 1.8 million dollars to underwrite the cost associated with the project. The Term Sheet is laying out what the developer, City of Racine/Redevelopment Authority will do to make the project happen. The Term Sheet defines a note to the developer which pledges Tax Increment Revenue. If there is a short fall, it will be the developer's responsibility. The agreement provides, if the return exceeds the project's cost by more than ten percent, the City of Racine/Redevelopment Authority and the developer will share 50/50 with any additional profit.*
- Roll call vote: Ayes: Aldermen Spangenberg, Friedel, and Finley  
Noes: Alderman Sollman*
- Abstain: none*



21. [06-1593](#) Subject: Communication from a Representative of the Affirmative Action/Human Rights Commission requesting that funding for Fair Housing for 2005 be equivalent to the 2004 funding cycle.

Recommendation: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*This item presented to cleanup the file.*

22. [06-1594](#) Subject: Communication from the City Administrator wishing to discuss the criteria for filling vacant positions.

Recommendation: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*This item presented to cleanup the file. A resolution has been adopted for this item.*

23. [06-1595](#) Subject: Communication from the Director of Human Resources wishing to discuss the review of the results of the Clerk/Treasurer audit.

Recommendation: That the item be received and filed

Fiscal Note: N/A

*This item presented to cleanup the file.*

24. [06-1596](#) Subject: Communication from the Alderman of the 5th District wishing to discuss mandatory direct deposit for all City employees.

Recommendation: That the item be received and filed

Fiscal Note: N/A

*This item presented to cleanup the file. A plan was implemented to work towards City employees going to direct deposit. Currently the item is brought to bargaining units. The City is over 50% on direct deposit.*

25. [06-1597](#) Subject: Communication from the City Attorney submitting a claim and wishing to discuss it in closed session.

Recommendation: That the item be received and filed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

*This item presented to cleanup the file. The claim was settled.*

26. **Miscellaneous Business**

**Alderman Friedel requested information regarding the cost of health care to be calculated for the last 3 to 4 years to see what the true cost of increase was with the expenditures minus the health care increase. He would like the full percentage of increase year-to-year exclusive to health care.**

**There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of this Committee is at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 13, 2006 in City Hall, Room 103**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Alderman James Spangenberg, Chairman  
Finance and Personnel Committee**