

# City of Racine, Wisconsin Agenda BRIEFING MEMORADUM

# AGENDA DATE: May 31, 2022

#### SUBJECT:

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Commissioner of Public Works requesting to waive formal bidding procedures for the purchase and installation of Street Lights and associated equipment in various locations in the City and to amend the capital improvement budget to reclassify the funding appropriately.

# PREPARED BY: Paul Vornholt, City Administrator

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Mayor Mason requests that the Finance and Personnel Committee recommend approval to waive formal bidding procedures for the purchase and installation of Street Lights and associated equipment in various locations in the City and to amend the capital improvement budget to reclassify the funding appropriately.

## Background:

Street lighting is a strong component of public safety from providing heightened sense of security for the neighborhood they are located in to also increasing the detection of criminal activity. New smart technology can also be utilized in sensors for gunshot detection and remote utilization to brighten in targeted areas.

#### **BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

Funding to defray the cost of up to \$500,000, based on the amendment above will be available in Org-Object 45040 57520 DPW-Street Lighting. Budget amendment will reduce the budget in 45010 59700 Transfer to IS by \$500,000 and increase the budget in 45040 57520 DPW-Street Lighting.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Staff recommends the request of Mayor Mason to authorize to waive formal bidding procedures for the purchase and installation of Street Lights and associated equipment in various locations in the City and to amend the capital improvement budget to reclassify the funding appropriately be approved by the Finance and Personnel Committee and be forwarded to the Common Council with a recommendation for approval.