



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Mollie Jones
Alder Olivia Davis
Alder Amanda Paffrath
Alder Melissa Kaprelian
Alder Jeffrey Peterson
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Marcus West
Alder Terry McCarthy
Alder Sam Peete
Alder Mary Land
Alder Henry Perez
Alder Renee Kelly
Alder Alicia Jarrett
Alder Cory Sebastian

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 13 - Coe, Jones, Davis, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, McCarthy, Peete, Perez, Kelly, Jarrett and Sebastian

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

B. Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag

President McCarthy led the council in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

C. Approval of Journal of Council Proceedings (Minutes)

March 5th, 2024 Special Council Meeting

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A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Coe to Approve the Minutes. The motion **PASSED** by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Davis, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Perez, Kelly, Jarrett and Sebastian

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

D. Proclamations

Has been deferred to the next Common Council Meeting.

[0289-24](#)

Subject: National Meat Out Day

E. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council:

Lizbeth Fierro

Mariah Casso

Arial Lasso

Rose Ormond

F. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. West

[0181-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to apply for the 2024 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Grant Control #00554).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply for the 2024 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (Grant Control #00554).

Fiscal Note: Grant amount is \$43,072. **City Match:** None

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0190-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Community Safety Director, requesting permission to submit the Payne Consulting proposal response to RFP 17-2023 for Community Engagement/Group Facilitation Services.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Purchasing Agent (or designee) be granted permission to award RFP 17-2023 Community Engagement/Group Facilitation Services to Payne Consulting in the amount of \$104,825 for the period of March 2024 through December 2024.

Fiscal Note: Fund is available in account number 20314-52200-20146 Blueprint for Peace Initiative-State Grant.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Peete, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 8 - Jones, Davis, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Jarrett and Sebastian

NOES: 4 - Coe, Kaprelian, Perez and Kelly

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

[0191-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Chief of Police, requesting permission to apply for the Law Enforcement NARCAN Direct Program Grant (Grant Control #00562).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Chief of Police be granted permission to apply the for the Law Enforcement NARCAN Direct Program Grant (Grant Control #00562).

Fiscal Note: N/A **City Match:** None

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0193-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Land, on behalf of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director, requesting permission to apply for the DNR/IRA Urban Forestry grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Inflation Reduction Act funding) for up to \$450,000 to support the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Forestry Division (Grant Control #00560).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department be granted permission to apply for the DNR/IRA Urban Forestry grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (Inflation Reduction Act) for up to \$450,000 to support the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Forestry Division (Grant Control #00560).

Fiscal Note: There is no City match required.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0205-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Human Resources Director and Chief of Police, requesting permission to reclassify one of the sworn police officer positions to a non-sworn position of Data Analyst.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Human Resources Director and Chief of Police be granted permission to reclassify one of the sworn police officer positions to a non-sworn position of Data Analyst.

Fiscal Note: Funding for the new position will be offset by the reduction

in the officer position. Funds are available in the 2024 budget.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Horton, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Davis, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Perez, Kelly, Jarrett and Sebastian

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

[0206-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder West, on behalf of the Assistant Fire Chief, requesting permission to apply for the Operations and Safety Acquisition Section of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) - (Grant Control #00563).

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: That the Assistant Fire Chief be granted permission to apply for the Operations and Safety Acquisition Section of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) - (Grant Control #00563).

Fiscal Note: Grant \$275,000 with a 10% City Match required.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0253-24](#)

Subject: Communication from the City Attorney, requesting to present a proposed settlement for Darcy Mohr v. City of Racine, ERD Case No. CR202202107, EEOC Case No. 26G202201242.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 03-11-2024: To approve the settlement as discussed with the City funding 50% of the settlement.

Fiscal Note: Total settlement of \$90,000 with \$45,000 coming from City of Racine account #11202 53500 judgment and claims.

A motion was made by Alder West, seconded by Alder Horton, that this Communication be Approved. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 6 - Jones, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete and Jarrett

NOES: 4 - Coe, Kaprelian, Perez and Kelly

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

ABSTENTIONS: 2 - Davis and Sebastian

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Jones

[0186-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract

2024052-Monument Square Brick Paver Replacement.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: That Contract 2024052-Monument Square Brick Paver Replacement, be awarded to Beardsley Concrete, in the amount of \$98,287.00, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects: 45040 57500 DPW Paving

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0187-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, submitting bid results for Contract 2024075 - Wustum Museum Restoration.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: Receive and file

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0188-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2024054 - 2024 Assessable Streets and Alleys.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: That Contract 2024054 - 2024 Assessable Streets and Alleys, be awarded to Milwaukee General in the amount of \$1,384,388.76, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects:

\$264,485.32 40101 57500 Concrete Street Paving Assessable
\$632,000.90 40104 57500 Concrete Alley Paving Assessable
\$41,339.78 45040 57500 D.P.W. Concrete Street Paving (GOB)
\$181,805.77 45040 57500 D.P.W. Concrete Alley Paving (GOB)
\$22,169.00 45040 57515 D.P.W. Sidewalk Replacement
\$174,688.00 60484 57560 Storm Sewers Miscellaneous Locations
\$67,900.00 40101 57560 Sanitary Sewer Various Locations
\$1,384,388.76 Total

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0189-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, submitting bid results for Contract 2024076-Glen Street Bridge Renovation.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: That Contract 2024076-Glen Street Bridge Renovation, be awarded to A.W. Oakes & Son, Inc., in the amount of \$84,917.20, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects: 45050 57110 Land Improvements.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0196-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason, on behalf of the Racine Area Veterans, INC requesting to close West Blvd. at 9:00 a.m. between Washington Ave and Wright Ave. The parade will depart Graceland Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. moving north on West Blvd to Osborne Blvd and then on to Graceland Blvd.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: That the request of Racine Area Veteran's, Inc., be approved closing certain City streets on Monday, May 27, 2024, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. for the Memorial Day Parade.

Further recommends that in the interest of public safety, the Commissioner of Public Works, City Engineer, and Chief of Police be authorized and directed to close the following streets:
Wright Ave to West Boulevard crossing Washington Ave
West Boulevard to Osborne Blvd to Graceland Cemetery

Fiscal Note: Since the City is a co-sponsor of this event, there are no stipulations.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0197-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Recycling Services.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on

03.12.24: That Recycling Services be awarded to Waste Management,

in the amount of \$467,500, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects: 22140 52200 Contracted Services

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0198-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Transfer Station Hauling. (Recycling and Municipal Solid Waste)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 03.12.24: That Transfer Station Hauling for both Municipal Solid Waste and Recyclables, be awarded to J & O Trucking, in the amount of \$356,530.00, they being the lowest responsible, responsive bidder.

Fiscal Note: Funding is available in the following Org-Objects:

14006 52215 Waste Disposal: \$264,250.00
22140 52200 Contracted Services: \$92,280.00

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0199-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, submitting bid results for Contract 2023332 Racine DPW Boiler Plant Renovation.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 03.12.24: Receive and file.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0200-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Jones, on behalf of George Ann Stintson, African American Chamber of Commerce Greater Racine President, to close off the Racine Public Library parking lots on September 7, 2024 from 6:00 am to 8:00 p.m. For the 4th Annual Racine Lakefront Expo.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 03.12.24: That the closure be approved as per the African American Chamber of Commerce Greater Racine request.

Fiscal Note: Loss revenue for the Parking Meters is \$300.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

Public Safety and Licensing Committee Report, by Ald. Peete

[0157-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, on behalf of the City Clerk's Office, submitting a renewal application for a Massage Establishment License, Yaqin Yang DBA Honan Spa, located at 906 State St, Yaqin Yang, Owner. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 03-11-2024: That the renewal application for a Massage Establishment License, Yaqin Yang DBA Honan Spa, located at 906 State St, Yaqin Yang, Owner. (1st District), Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0161-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, on behalf of the City Clerk's Office, submitting a new application for a Massage Establishment License, Laurel Massage Studio DBA Laurel Massage Studio, located at 524 Monument Square, Lauren Recupero, Owner. (1st District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

on 03-11-2024: That the new application for a Massage Establishment License, Laurel Massage Studio DBA Laurel Massage Studio, located at 524 Monument Square, Lauren Recupero, Owner. (1st District), be Approved.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

[0182-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Peete, on behalf of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee, requesting the appearance of David Lewis, agent for Duo Bar & Grill LLC located at 1102 Mound Ave, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern. (8th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee

03-11-2024: That the appearance of David Lewis, agent for Duo Bar &

Grill LLC located at 1102 Mound Ave, pursuant to a formal expression of concern and also requesting consideration of rescinding the formal expression of concern. (8th District), to Rescind the formal expression of concern.

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board Report, by Ald. McCarthy

[0123-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting the approval of a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) in the Lincoln King Neighborhood.

Recommendation of CDBG 2.26.24: To adopt the proposed creation of a Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) in the Lincoln King Neighborhood.

Fiscal Note: No budgetary impact is associated with this request.

A motion was made by Alder Kaprelian, seconded by Alder Coe, that this Communication be Referred to the Committee of the Whole. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 11 - Coe, Jones, Davis, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, Perez, Kelly, Jarrett and Sebastian

NOES: 1 - Peete

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

[0233-24](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason to receive and file the FY 2023 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Staff Recommendation: No action is required, this is a motion to receive and file the report.

Fiscal Note: There are no budgetary impacts.

A motion was made that this Communication be Approved as Presented. The motion was APPROVED on a Voice Vote in Consent.

G. Council Vote on Consent Agenda Items (Communications, Committee Reports, Resolutions)

A motion was made by Alder Marcus West, seconded by Alder Jeff Coe, that this be Considered as Reported Adopted by the following vote

AYES: 12 - Coe, Jones, Davis, Kaprelian, Peterson, Horton, West, Peete, Perez, Kelly, Jarrett and Sebastian

ABSENT: 2 - Paffrath and Land

H. Common Council Announcements

Announcements are limited to recognition of City residents and employees, memorials, and non-political community events. Discussion of matters related to governmental business is prohibited.

I. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M. by President McCarthy.

The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Monday April 15, 2024.

ATTEST: TARA MCMENAMIN

CITY CLERK