



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Alder Jeff Coe
Alder Mollie Jones
Alder John Tate II
Alder Tracey Larrin
Alder Jennifer Levie
Alder Sandy Weidner
Alder Maurice Horton
Alder Q.A. Shakoor II
Alder Trevor Jung
Alder Carrie Glenn
Alder Mary Land
Alder Henry Perez
Alder Natalia Taft
Alder Jason Meekma
Alder Melissa Lemke

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

7:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

A. Call To Order

PRESENT: 13 - Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Levie, Weidner, Horton, Shakoor II, Jung, Glenn, Land, Perez, Taft and Meekma
ABSENT: 1 - Lemke
EXCUSED: 1 - Coe

B. Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag

Mayor Mason led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

C. Approval of Journal of Council Proceedings (Minutes)

September 30, 2019

October 1, 2019

Alder Meekma made a motion to Approve the Minutes, seconded by Alder Shakoor II.

D. Public Comments

The following people appeared to speak before the Common Council:

Bev Hicks
Mercedes Dzindzeleta
Todd Mosher

E. Committee Reports

Finance and Personnel Committee Report, by Ald. Land[1105-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Perez requesting the language in the Employee Handbook be changed to include that any interim raises pertaining specifically to the City Administrator be approved by the City Council.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10-07-2019: To direct the City Attorney to draft this amendment along with other changes to the Employee Handbook before the end of 2019.

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

[1128-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alderman Q.A. Shakoor II submitting the claim of Monique McKnight for consideration for disallowance.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10-07-2019: That the claim of Monique McKnight be disallowed.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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

[1134-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting permission to accept planning grant funds from the Cities for Financial Empowerment (CFE) Fund in the amount of \$20,000. The funds will be accompanied by significant technical assistance for 6-12 months to design and prepare for the launch of a Financial Empowerment Center in Racine. (Grant control number #00258)

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 10-07-2019: That permission be granted to accept planning grant funds from the Cities for Financial Empowerment (CFE) fund in the amount of \$20,000.

Fiscal Note: Funds in the amount of \$20,000. The funds will be accompanied by significant technical assistance for 6 - 12 months to design and prepare for the launch of a Financial Empowerment Center in Racine. (Grant control number #00258)

Alder Weidner requested 1134-19 be considered separately.

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

AYES: 11 - Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Levie, Horton, Shakoor II, Jung, Land, Perez, Taft and Meekma

NOES: 1 - Weidner

ABSENT: 1 - Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Coe

ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Glenn

Public Works and Services Committee Report, by Ald. Tate II

1143-19

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Levie, on behalf of the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Operations, submitting bid results for salt for ice control during the 2019-2020 winter season.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 10-08-19: That the bid for Morton Salt for the purchase of 6,000 (more or less) of salt for ice control for the 2019-2020 year be accepted at their bid price of \$97.53 per ton delivered, they being the lowest responsible bidder.

Fiscal Note: The City of Racine's allotment of salt will be based upon 6,000 tons and funds to make this purchase are budgeted in Org-Object 14009-53200, St. Maint-Work Supplies.

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

1146-19

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Levie, on behalf of Public Works, submitting Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20180035, 2018 Traffic Signal Replacement - 16th & Memorial, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 10-08-19: That Change Order No. 1 on Contract 20180035, 2018 Traffic Signal Replacement - 16th & Memorial, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., contractor, be approved in the deduct amount of (\$578.26)

Further recommends that Org-Object 45040-57530, Traffic Signal & LED Replacement, be adjusted by (\$578.26).

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

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

[1147-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Levie, on behalf of Public Works, to submit final payments.

Contract 20180035, 2018 Traffic Signal Replacement - 16th & Memorial, Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 10-08-19: That the work done by Outdoor Lighting Construction Co., Inc., under Contract 20180035, 2018 Traffic Signal Replacement - 16th & Memorial, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$175,690.36. Final Payment to include retainage.

Fiscal Note: Contract was authorized under Resolution 0153-18, dated May 15, 2018.

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

[1148-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Levie, on behalf of the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer, submitting Amendment No. 4 to an existing agreement with Precise Underground Marking Corporation, Milwaukee, WI, for the provision of underground facility locating services for the City-owned fiber optic and electrical systems - Contract 20190123, PS-Underground Facility Locating Services.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 10-08-19: That Amendment No. 4 (Contract 20190123 - PS-Underground Facility Locating Services) with Precise Underground Marking Corporation, to provide underground facility locating services for the City-owned fiber optic and electrical systems be approved for a one-year extension (January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020) with a per ticket price of:

- Prescreens - \$11.96
- Locates - \$15.31
- Site Visit/No Conflict - \$15.31
- Emergency During Business Hours (Clear/No Conflict/Site Visit/Locate) - \$25.81
- Emergency After Business Hours (Clear/No Conflict/Site Visit/Locate) - \$52.17
- Projects - \$32.27 per hour

Fiscal Note: Funding to defray the cost of these services is available in Org-Object 14012-52100, Street Lighting-Professional Services.

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. Weidner[1081-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Change of Agent, with a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Apple Hospitality Group, LLC DBA Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, located at 2521 S Green Bay Road, Jeremiah Smith, Agent. (14 District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-08-19: That the application for a Change of Agent, with a "Class B" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License, for Apple Hospitality Group, LLC DBA Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, located at 2521 S Green Bay Road, Jeremiah Smith, Agent, 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

[1111-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Place to Place Transfer of a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Truth Sports Bar LLC Truth Sports Bar, located at 607 Sixth Street, Jacqueline Lagrone, Agent. (1 District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-08-19: That the application for a Place to Place Transfer of a "Class B" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Truth Sports Bar LLC Truth Sports Bar, located at 607 Sixth Street, Jacqueline Lagrone, Agent, 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

[1112-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a "Class A" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Douglas Express Food Mart Inc., DBA Douglas XPress Food Mart, located at 2418 Douglas Ave, Surinder Singh, Agent. (5th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-08-19: That the application for a "Class A" Fermented Malt Beverage and Intoxicating Liquor License for Douglas Express Food

Mart Inc., DBA Douglas XPress Food Mart, located at 2418 Douglas Ave, Surinder Singh, Agent, 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

[1115-19](#)

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Coe submitting an application for a Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage Nisma LLC, DBA Pantry Plus, located at 2056 Taylor Ave, Maheshkumar Patel, Agent. (11 District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 10-08-19: That the application for a Class "A" Fermented Malt Beverage Nisma LLC, DBA Pantry Plus, located at 2056 Taylor Ave, Maheshkumar Patel, Agent, 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

Alder Lemke arrived at 7:42 PM.

City Plan Commission Report, by Ald. Meekma

[1135-19](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from Todd Nelsen and Becky Veto seeking a conditional use permit for ground floor dwelling units in an existing building at 566 State Street (PC-19).

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 10-09-2019: That based on the findings of fact, the request from Todd Nelsen and Becky Veto seeking a conditional use permit for ground floor dwelling units in an existing building at 566 State Street, be approved subject to conditions a. - f.

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

[1136-19](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from Aziz Abdul seeking a major amendment to conditional use permit for an addition to a convenience store and gas station to accommodate a takeout - carryout restaurant at 2500 Lathrop Avenue (PC-19).

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 10-09-19: That based on the findings of fact, the request from Aziz Abdul seeking a major amendment to a conditional use permit for an addition to a convenience store and gas station to accommodate a takeout-carryout restaurant at 2500 Lathrop Avenue be approved, subject to conditions a.-j.

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

1137-19

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from Todd Mosher, agent for Halle Properties, LLC, seeking a conditional use permit for a Discount Tire Store at 5019 Washington Avenue (classified as a garage for repair and servicing of motor vehicles) (PC-19).

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 10-09-19: That based on the findings of fact, the request from Todd Mosher, agent for Halle Properties LLC, seeking a conditional use permit for a Discount Tire Store at 5019 Washington Avenue (classified as a garage for repair and servicing of motor vehicles) be approved, subject to conditions a.-i.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Alder Meekma requested item 1137-19 be considered separately.

A motion was made by Alder Jung, seconded by Alder Shakoor II, that this Communication be Amended to read:B3 "Addition to two trees along the South property line and on the eastern side of the building moving the planting strip between the building and sidewalk and adding vegetation which would fill gaps between the building columns on the east elevation." **The motion PASSED by the following vote:**

AYES: 14 - Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Levie, Weidner, Horton, Shakoor II, Jung, Glenn, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Coe

A motion was made by Alder Meekma, seconded by Alder Jones, that this Communication be Adopted As Amended. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 14 - Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Levie, Weidner, Horton, Shakoor II, Jung, Glenn, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Coe

1139-19

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request from Steve Rolfe of Midland Commercial Development Corp., seeking approval of a two lot certified survey map for the property at 5019 Washington Avenue (PC-19).

Recommendation of the City Plan Commission on 10-09-19: That the request from Steve Rolfe of Midland Commercial Development Corp., seeking approval of a two lot certified survey map for the property at 5019 Washington Avenue be approved, subject to conditions a.-d.

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

Office of the Mayor Report, by Ald. Meekma

[1116-19](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason requesting Common Council appoint a member to the Waterworks Commission and a member to the Wastewater Commission for a term expiring on October 1, 2023, in accordance with Sec.98-33 of the Municipal Code.

Recommendation of Council President Meekma: Appoint James Spangenburg to the Waterworks and Wastewater Commissions for a term expiring on October 1, 2023.

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

[1180-19](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason appointing the following:

Alder Taft to the Water Commission for a term expiring October 1, 2020
Alder Taft to the Wastewater Commission for a term expiring October 1, 2020

Alder Tate, II to the Water Commission for a term expiring October 1, 2020

Alder Tate, II to the Wastewater Commission for a term expiring October 1, 2020

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

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

A motion was made by Alder Jason Meekma, seconded by Alder Q.A. Shakoor II, that this be Considered as Reported Adopted by the following vote

AYES: 14 - Jones, Tate II, Larrin, Levie, Weidner, Horton, Shakoor II, Jung, Glenn, Land, Perez, Taft, Meekma and Lemke

EXCUSED: 1 - Coe

G. 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.

H. Adjourn

Alder Shakoor II made a motion to adjourn at 7:52 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Council is Tuesday October 21, 2019.

*ATTEST: TARA COOLIDGE
CITY CLERK*