

# **City of Racine**

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## **Meeting Minutes - Final**

## **Finance and Personnel Committee**

Chair Natalia Taft Vice Chair Marcus West Alder Sam Peete Alder Jason Meekma Alder John Tate II

Monday, August 30, 2021 5:30 PM Virtual

#### **Call To Order**

PRESENT: 3 - Vice Chair West, Alder Peete and Alder Tate II

**EXCUSED:** 2 - Chair Taft and Alder Meekma

Approval of Minutes for the August 9th, 2021 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, to Approve the Minutes

#### **Closed Session**

It is intended that the Finance and Personnel Committee will convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(g), to confer with legal counsel concerning strategy with respect to litigation in which the City of Racine is involved.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, to go into Closed Session. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Vice Chair West, Alder Peete and Alder Tate II

EXCUSED: 2 - Chair Taft and Alder Meekma

### **Open Session**

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, to go into Open Session. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 3 - Vice Chair West, Alder Peete and Alder Tate II

EXCUSED: 2 - Chair Taft and Alder Meekma

0683-21

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the City Attorney, requesting the City Attorney meet with the Finance and Personnel Committee concerning litigation in which the City is involved, specifically *Gilliam, et al., v. City of Racine*, Racine County Circuit Court Case No. 21 CV 755.

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-30-2021:** To approve the negotiated settlement as presented in the amount of \$15,000.

**Fiscal Note:** Funds are available in Account 11202 53500 Judgment and Claims

Attorney Letteney, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval

0664-21

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Benefits Manager, requesting approval of Benefits Broker and Consulting Services (as solicited by Official Notice 3-2021) and the permission to enter into a professional services contract with Hays Companies, Inc.

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-30-2021:** That the request to enter into a professional services contract with Hays Companies, Inc. for benefit broker and consulting services be approved. Further, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a professional services contract with Hays Companies, Inc. for benefit broker and consulting services.

**Fiscal Note:** Contract amount is for \$100,000 in 2022 and will be incorporated in the 2022 budget under insurance professional services 70312 52100.

Benefits Manager Lien and Hays Companies Consultant Ryan Jackson, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, that this file be Recommended For Approval

0665-21

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder Taft requesting to allow Brad Viegut of RW Baird to present the proposed issuance of NANs (Note anticipation Notes) to fund the budgeted 2021 Capital Projects and Equipment Replacements.

**Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-30-2021:** To authorize the issuance and sale of Note Anticipation Notes in an amount of approximately \$15,205,000 for the City's 2021 Short and Long Term capital borrowing.

**Fiscal Note:** Long term capital projects of \$11,779,059 and equipment of \$3,421,700 have been approved and budgeted in 2021 through this borrowing.

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Finance Director Fischer and RW Baird Representative Brad Viegut, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item..

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Alder Peete, that this file be Recommended For Approval

0688-21

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder West, and Alder Taft on behalf of the Assistant Director of Human Resources requesting to reclassify the position of Crime Analysis Clerk from Grade F to Grade I on the compensation structure.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-30-2021: To Approve reclassification of the Crime Analysis Clerk position

**Fiscal Note:** Funds are included in the 2021 budget and will be incorporated in the 2022 budget. Salary range for a Grade I is \$58,864-\$75,649.60.

Police Chief Robinson, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, that this file be Recommended For Approval

<u>0697-21</u>

**Subject:** Communication from Mayor Mason requesting an allocation of \$450,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for eviction prevention activities.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on 08-30-2021: That the request from Mayor Mason to allocate a total of up to \$450,000 in ARPA funding to Racine County for eviction prevention activities be approved. Further that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into a contract with Racine County pursuant to all local, state, and federal regulations.

**Fiscal Note:** A total of \$500,000 in ARPA funds have been reserved for activities including eviction prevention by Common Council Resolution No. 0583-21. Sufficient funding exists to meet this request.

Manager, Strategic Initiatives & Community Partnerships, Selkowe and Assistant Director of City Development, Rejc, appeared before the committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Peete, seconded by Alder Tate II, that this file be Recommended For Approval

0682-21

**Subject:** Communication sponsored by Alder West on behalf of the Finance Director submitting the presentation of 2nd Quarter 2021 Fiscal Results and the June 2021 Investment schedule.

Recommendation of the Finance and Personnel Committee on

**08-30-2021:** To Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Finance Director Fischer, appeared before the Committee to speak on the item.

A motion was made by Alder Tate II, seconded by Vice Chair West, that this file be Received and Filed.

## Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:43p.m. The next schedule meeting of the Committee is at 5:30p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Alder West, Vice Chair

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