



Meeting Minutes
Committee of the Whole

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

7:30 PM

Council Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Council President Audrey Kader followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call as follows:

Present 16 - Andrea Richmond, Al Wagner, Chris Olson, Jai Johnson, Katherine Svitavsky, John Satory, James Cherf, Robert Seaquist, Richard Becker, Audrey Kader, Sara Sullivan, Francis J. Formanek, Paul Medinger, Douglas Happel, Marilyn Wigdahl, and Richard Swantz

Judiciary and Administration Committee

[13-0009](#)

Resolution granting authority to the Board of Public Works to negotiate a five-year Use Agreement with Coulee Region United Soccer Association and the City of La Crosse for the lands known as the Field for Kids.

A motion was made by John Satory, seconded by Andrea Richmond, that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED** to the Common Council, due back by 2/14/2013. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

[13-0029](#)

Various license applications pursuant to Chapter 20 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for the license period 2012-13 and resolution approving same.

A motion was made by John Satory, seconded by Andrea Richmond, that this Application be **RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SAME** to the Common Council, due back by 2/14/2013. The motion carried by an unanimous vote.

[13-0008](#)

AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 15.02(B) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from Commercial District to the Light Industrial District allowing for a light metal fabrication shop at 2919 East Ave S.

Seaquist/Richmond moved to open public hearing; carried unanimously by voice vote. The following person spoke in opposition of amendment: James Kreminski. Seaquist/Richmond moved to close public hearing; carried unanimously by voice vote. Formanek/Medinger moved to amend deleting the J&A amendment regarding restrictions; Carried 9-7 (1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 11, 17 voted no). Wigdahl/Formanek moved to approve. Richmond/Cherf moved for a 30 days referral; Fails 4-12 (1, 6, 7, 17 voted yes).

A motion was made by Francis Formanek, seconded by Paul Medinger, that the Ordinance be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council, due back on 2/14/2013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Richmond, Wagner, Olson, Johnson, Svitavsky, Satory, Becker, Kader, Sullivan, Formanek, Medinger, Happel, Wigdahl and Swantz

No: 2 - Cherf and Seaquist

[13-0007](#)

Application of Wells Fargo for a Conditional Use Permit at 1602 Market Street allowing for demolition of residential property and amended resolution approving same.

Richmond/Kader moved to amend to delete the PILOT requirement. Satory/Cherf moved to refer for 30 days; Failed 3-13 (6, 7, 17 voted yes). On the amendment; Carried 14-2 (6, 13 voted no).

A motion was made by Andrea Richmond, seconded by Audrey Kader, that the Application be RECOMMENDED AMENDED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SAME to the Common Council, due back on 2/14/2013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 15 - Richmond, Wagner, Olson, Johnson, Svitavsky, Cherf, Seaquist, Becker, Kader, Sullivan, Formanek, Medinger, Happel, Wigdahl and Swantz

No: 1 - Satory

[12-0322](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 17.03 (C), Paragraph 17.04 (B)(1), Paragraph 18.01(E) and Paragraph 19.03 (E)(2) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse to change fees for Plumbing, Electrical and HVAC permits.

Seaquist/Formanek moved to approve. Olson/Richmond moved to refer for 90 days with direction. Richmond called the question; Fails due to lack of second. Seaquist/Wigdahl moved to direct the J&A chair appointment a subcommittee consisting of 3 members from the Judiciary & Administration committee; Carried 15-1 (13 voted no).

A motion was made by Chris Olson, seconded by Andrea Richmond, that the Ordinance be RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED (90 days) to the Common Council, due back on 2/14/2013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 15 - Richmond, Wagner, Olson, Johnson, Svitavsky, Satory, Cherf, Seaquist, Becker, Kader, Sullivan, Medinger, Happel, Wigdahl and Swantz

No: 1 - Formanek

[13-0020](#)

AN ORDINANCE to create Section 8.01 (O)(1)(d) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse to provide an exemption for condemnation of an unfit dwelling or dwelling unit.

This Ordinance was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[12-0432](#)

Resolution approving Joint Powers Agreement - County 9-1-1 Emergency System between the City and County of La Crosse.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[13-0002](#)

Resolution authorizing the Aviation Board to approve Airline Operating Agreements.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[13-0011](#)

Application of David Ganschow to Own, Keep and/or Harbor Chickens at 1911 Sunset Lane for 2013 license year and resolution approving same.

This Application was RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SAME to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[13-0019](#)

Amended Resolution amending Council Rule VII regarding membership of the Executive Committee.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[12-0431](#)

Resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to prepare plans, specifications and estimates, advertise for bids and report thereon to the Common Council for projects included in the approved 2013 Capital Improvement Budget

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[13-0014](#)

Resolution authorizing the creation of a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

Finance and Personnel Committee

[12-0280](#)

A SECOND AMENDED ORDINANCE to create Section 2.23 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse to create the Economic Development Commission and to establish standards for economic development incentives.

Unanimous consent to open public hearing. The following persons spoke: Craig Nestor, Steve Gores, Greg Luce, Jason Dillaber. Becker/Wigdahl moved to close public hearing; carried unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Francis Formanek, seconded by Paul Medinger, that the Ordinance be RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED (90 days) to the Common Council, due back on 2/14/2013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 16 - Richmond, Wagner, Olson, Johnson, Svitavsky, Satory, Cherf, Seaquist, Becker, Kader, Sullivan, Formanek, Medinger, Happel, Wigdahl and Swantz

[13-0037](#)

Resolution approving Stipulation with Gundersen Clinic, Ltd. regarding tax exemption dispute. (Note: The committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to formulate & update negotiation strategies and parameters, and Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1)(g) to confer with legal counsel. Following such closed session, the committee may reconvene in open session.) (2/3 vote by Council required)

Unanimous consent to hold the item for closed session at the end of the agenda; carried unanimously by voice vote. Olson/Wigdahl moved to convene in closed session; carried unanimously by voice vote. Wagner, Svitavsky and Satory left the meeting. Swantz/Happel moved to reconvene in open session; carried unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Audrey Kader, seconded by Marilyn Wigdahl, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council, due back on 2/14/2013. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Richmond, Olson, Johnson, Cherf, Seaquist, Becker, Kader, Sullivan, Formanek, Medinger, Happel, Wigdahl and Swantz

Absent: 3 - Wagner, Svitavsky and Satory

[13-0004](#)

Resolution authorizing acceptance of Phase I of Radio Study and approval for Phase II.

A motion was made by Marilyn Wigdahl, seconded by Richard Swantz, that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council, due back by 2/14/2013. The motion carried unanimously on voice vote.

- [13-0003](#) Resolution authorizing Leibowitz Airport Management Consultants to prepare a rental car RFP and corresponding agreement effective August 1, 2013.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [12-0430](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the purchase of a replacement squad for the Police Department.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [13-0016](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the Neighborhood Revitalization Committee to solicit, accept and expend voluntary contributions.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED (120 days) to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [13-0006](#) Resolution authorizing the acceptance of an Assistance to Firefighters Grant from FEMA, authorizing the reallocation of funds in connection with the required match and reallocation of funds for fire equipment.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [13-0005](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of multifunction printers and maintenance agreement for said printers.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [13-0018](#) Resolution authorizing City Engineer to hire consultant for Design and Construction Services of La Crosse Center HVAC Chiller & appropriation of funds.
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**
- [13-0025](#) Resolution authorizing the appropriation of CDBG Planning funds for the Preparation of a Community Arts Plan. Suspension of Council Rule VIII required (2/3 vote)
- This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.**

[13-0036](#)

Resolution approving agreement for investment services for 2013-2014.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

[13-0039](#)

Amended Resolution approving a revised DNR Ready for Re-Use Loan for the remediation, monitoring and closure activities on the former ALM Family Limited Partnership property.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council due back on 2/14/2013. Unanimous approval on consent vote moved by Richmond, second by Wigdahl.

Adjournment

Unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 p.m.