



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Thursday, January 14, 2021

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Mayor Tim Kabat, Presiding

Mayor Kabat called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

District 10 vacant since December 11, 2020.

Present: 13 - Tim Kabat, Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Justice Weaver, Chris Kahlow, Gary Padesky, Jessica Olson, Phillip A. Ostrem, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel, Roger Christians

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Pastor Mark Clements of Living Word Christian Church offered an invocation.

Mayor's State of the City Address

Annual Code of Ethics

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Kahlow, seconded by Christians, to APPROVE the minutes of December 10, 2020. The motion carried.

Notices and Discussions

Happel asked for an update on the former Kmart property and purchase by U-Haul. The Mayor and Director of Planning & Development confirmed that the current zoning allows for commercial retail operations but fleet rental or outside storage will require rezoning and action by the Council.

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[21-0040](#)

PFAS Groundwater Contamination at Municipal Wells 23 & 24.

Note: The Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to formulate & update negotiation strategies and parameters. Following such closed session, the Council may reconvene in open session.

Discussion moved to the end of the agenda.

[21-0043](#)

Resolution approving 2020/2021 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in January 2021.

2021-01-001

A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Kahlow, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Non-Voting: 1 - Kabat

SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL RULE VIII FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: (2/3 Vote Required)

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Christians, to SUSPEND Council Rule VIII. The motion carried.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[20-1547](#)

Resolution approving Application of Kwik Trip, Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit at 3505 Mormon Coulee Rd and 1906, 1910, 1920-1922 Ward Avenue allowing demolition of structures for green space until redeveloped.

2021-01-002

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Neumeister, to ADOPT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[20-1632](#)

Resolution approving Application of Nate Anderegg with Nicolai Apartments for a Conditional Use Permit at 3629 Calvert Road allowing demolition of structure for green space until redeveloped.

2021-01-003

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Christians, to ADOPT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[20-1749](#)

AN ORDINANCE to repeal and recreate Section 44-107 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding parking on City streets and property.

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Kahlow, to ADOPT.

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Christians, to AMEND allowing for a two-week cleaning period from November 15 to December 1.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Ostrem, that the Ordinance be REFERRED 60 days to March 2021 meetings. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

ITEMS REMOVED OUTSIDE OF CONSENT AGENDA

[20-1784](#)

Resolution appointing Andrea Trane as Director of Planning, Development and Assessment.

2021-01-004

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Non-Voting: 2 - Kabat, Vacant 1

[21-0005](#)

Amended Resolution authorizing the use of General Fund 2021 Operating Budget Contingency for COVID-19 expenses, floodplain engineering solutions and bottled water for Town of Campbell residents negatively impacted by PFAS in drinking water.

2021-01-005

A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Padesky, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Non-Voting: 2 - Kabat, Vacant 1

[20-1706](#)

Application of Jeff Fennie for a Conditional Use Permit at 921 West Ave. S. allowing demolition of structure for parking lot.

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Gaul, that the Application be REFERRED 30 days to February 2021 meetings. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Non-Voting: 2 - Kabat, Vacant 1

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Kahlow, to ADOPT the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

- [20-1630](#) Resolution authorizing acquisition of an easement through Rivercrest Village on property owned by Juniper Partners LLC to establish a new route for the Mississippi River Trail and Regional Bicycle Route One.
2021-01-006
- [20-1653](#) Resolution appropriating additional funds to pay the final bill for the erosion problem at Vista Del Rio.
2021-01-007
- [20-1662](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) replacement in-ground vehicle hoists and one (1) additional mobile wheel engaged vehicle hoist for Municipal Transit Utility.
2021-01-008
- [20-1663](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of three (3) support vehicles for Municipal Transit Utility.
2021-01-009
- [20-1664](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of two (2) Replacement Support Vehicles for Municipal Transit Utility.
2021-01-010
- [20-1665](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the purchase of bus installed UV Air Filtration Systems for entire Municipal Transit Utility bus fleet.
2021-01-011
- [20-1666](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the purchase of bus installed Operator Germ Barriers for entire Municipal Transit Utility bus fleet.
2021-01-012
- [20-1667](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the purchase of bus installed Hands Free No Contact Mobile Ticketing Systems for the entire Municipal Transit Utility bus fleet.
2021-01-013

- [20-1668](#) Resolutions authorizing the acceptance of grant and the purchase of two (2) hybrid buses for Municipal Transit Utility.
2021-01-014
- [20-1680](#) Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Holmen Area Fire Department (HAFD) and the City of La Crosse Fire Department (LCFD) regarding an Automatic Mutual-Aid Agreement (Auto-Aid) for fire and emergency response.
2021-01-015
- [20-1681](#) Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the La Crosse Fire Department.
2021-01-016
- [20-1697](#) Resolution authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of La Crosse to release funds originally transferred from Tax Incremental Financing District #9.
2021-01-017
- [20-1699](#) Resolution approving Certified Survey Map - Part of SE 1/4 of the & SE 1/4 of Section 19, T15N R6W, Town of Shelby, La Crosse County, Wisconsin.
2021-01-018
- [20-1744](#) Resolution approving the sale of City owned property at 2335 Commerce Street to Walleser Investments Limited Liability Company.
2021-01-019
- [20-1763](#) Resolution approving Application of First Evangelical Lutheran Church for a Conditional Use Permit at 420 West Ave. S. and 1123 Division St. allowing for a day care center.
2021-01-020
- [20-1764](#) Resolution Creating a Payroll Technician LTE Position.
2021-01-021
- [20-1771](#) Resolution appropriating unused CIP funds for paving expenditures on the 2020 Curb & Gutter with Utilities project.
2021-01-022

[20-1779](#)

Resolution approving various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6 and/or 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for license period 2020-21 (January).

2021-01-023

Adjournment

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Neumeister, to ADJOURN at 7:55 p.m. The motion carried.