



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

City Plan Commission

Monday, August 14, 2017

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

Special Meeting and CIP Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Kabat at 4:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Paul Medinger, Randy Turtenwald, Tim Kabat, Scott Neumeister, Corliss Tischer, Elaine Yager, Paul Schoenfeld
Excused: 2 - Vacant 1, Jacqueline Marcou

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

*Valerie Fenske, Finance Department
Polly Marcou, Finance Department
Clinton Torp, Airport
Ron Tischer, Police Department
Mike LaFleur, Streets
Steve Carlyon, Parks
Mark Johnson, Water
Jason Gilman, Planning Department
Tim Acklin, Planning Department
Andrea Schnick, Planning Department*

OTHERS PRESENT:

*Council Member Richmond
Fran Formanek
Katie Bakke
Martin Tymser
Julie Henline
Marc Zettler
Mark Weis
Daniel Moen
Suzanne Tanner-Bertrand
Amy Hendrickson
Curt McIlquham
Jacob Sciammas
Carolyn Dvorak
Chip Shilling
Craig Brownell*

Karla Doolittle
Patty Roberts
Cathy Van Maren
Paul Borsheim
Sally Ruud
Doug Weidenbach
Avery VanGaard
Austin Goodrich
Janice Hoeschler
Tung Ouy
Liz Ritter
Rick Levinger
Jansen Dahl
Chris Kahlow

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Yager, to approve the July 31, 2017 meeting minutes. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Agenda Items:

1. [17-1055](#) Review of Floor Plans for the property located at 400 4th St N

Attachments: [400 4th St N Floor Plans 8.8.17](#)
[400 4th St N CUP Resolution 14-1168](#)
[CPC Staff Report 8-14-2017](#)
[Signed CPC Resolution](#)

Elaine Yager recused herself. A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Medinger, to approve the floor plans. The motion carried 6-0 by voice vote with Yager recusing herself.

2. [17-0938](#) 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget

Attachments: [PROJECT BUDGET 2018-2022 DRAFT 07 03 17](#)
[PROJECT BUDGET 2018-2022 DRAFT 07 17 17](#)

Comments from the Mayor and Director of Finance and Purchase/Treasurer

Mayor Kabat stated to the public audience where the City is at with the process and next steps. He also noted there is a self-imposed limit of approximately \$7,500,000. Valerie Fenske provided no additional comments.

The Mayor proceeded to item 3, 17-1072, to provide the public opportunity to speak in favor or in opposition of any projects in the budget before hearing additional departmental presentations.

CIP Presentations

Airport – Clint Torp reported that items with State and Federal funds are to expand

aprons for expected passengers and the design phase of across the road. No borrowing is requested this year.

Harbors/Docks/Waterways – No staff commented on this item.

Miscellaneous/Special Projects – Jason Gilman reported on TIF Districts. TIF Districts have exhausted funds leaving no reserve for redevelopment opportunities. He recommended leaving some reserves in TIF to have room. He noted the Comprehensive Plan needs updating, as it is 15 years old. TID 11 needs a plan update. TID 12 includes the Riverside North project. TID 13 includes a floodplain relief program. TID 14 has housing replacement momentum. TID 16 includes street and sidewalk improvements. TID 17 includes Belle Square streetscaping. Generally, all TIDs include Bike Ped improvements.

A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Yager, to remove item 39. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department – Steve Carlyon reported more on this area. A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Turtenwald, to add a new item for tennis courts facility in 2019 for \$500,000 and to add a new item for Cameron Park Improvements for \$150,000 SOF 4. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Commissioner Tischer recommended to Steve that they find enough land for indoor/outdoor tennis facility and parking instead of squeezing it in somewhere; Steve noted there is plenty of room at Forest Hills and they will include the Commission in that process. CM Richmond commented that Hickey Park needs support in the budget.

Police Department – Ron Tischer reported more on this item. With new information, requested item 65 be increased to \$900,000. A motion was made by Tischer, seconded by Medinger, to change item 65 to \$900,000. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Public Buildings – CM Richmond noted it is cold in the Council Chambers and recommended fixing the handlers.

Street Improvements – Randy Turtenwald reported more on this item and requested 7 alley paving requests be added to the budget. A motion was made by Turtenwald, seconded by Tischer, to add a new item for the alley paving from North St to Livingston between Caledonia and Avon St for \$35,000 SOF 10 Flood, to add a new item for the alley paving from North St to Gohres between Caledonia and Avon St for \$35,000 SOF 10 Flood, to add a new item for the alley paving from Jackson St to Cottage Grove between 25th St and 26th St for \$40,000 SOF 10 Assessable and \$12,000 SOF 4, to add a new item for alley paving from 15th St and 16th St between Madison St and Ferry St for \$30,000 SOF 10 Assessable and \$10,000 SOF 4, to add a new item for alley paving – storm sewer companion project from Camp St to Taylor St between Harvey St and Hamilton St for \$21,000 SOF 4, to add a new item for alley paving from Camp St to Taylor St between Harvey St and Hamilton St for \$30,000 SOF 10 Assessable and \$7,000 SOF 4, and to add a new item for alley paving – storm sewer companion project from North St to Livingston between Caledonia and Avon St for \$20,000 SOF 10 Flood. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

Mike LaFleur reported on Green Complete Tour and requested his items detailed in matrix distributed to CPC members be added to the budget. A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Yager, to add items as detailed in the matrix provided by

LaFleur. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

A motion was made by Turtenwald, seconded by Schoenfeld, to add a new item for street paving of 20th St between Cass and Market St for \$339,000 SOF 4 with a companion sewer project for \$225,500 with SOF sanitary sewer utility fund. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

A motion was made by Tischer, seconded by Turtenwald to add a new item for miscellaneous curb and gutter for \$100,000 SOF 10, and to add a new item for street paving of Pine St from 13th St to 15th St for \$395,000 SOF new borrowing. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

A motion was made by Yager, seconded by Medinger, to direct the Mayor and staff to go through CIP projects and to reduce requests to \$7,500,000. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote.

3. [17-1072](#)

Public Hearing on 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget

The Commission listened to members of the public in attendance wishing to speak on the 2018 Capital Improvement Budget. No action was taken.

Speakers and topics included:

- Trane Park*
 - o Fran Formanek*
 - o Katy Bakke*
 - o Martha Tymser*
 - o Amy Hendrickson*
- Downtown Master Plan*
 - o Julie Herline*
- Elevate Façade Grants*
 - o Marc Zettler*
 - o Daniel Moen*
 - o Chris Kahlow*
- Hickey Park*
 - o Mark Weis*
 - o Karla Doolittle*
 - o Patty Roberts*
- Tennis Courts*
 - o Suzanne Bertrand*
 - o Sally Ruud*
 - o Kurt Mack*
 - o Janice Hoeschler*
 - o Tung Ouy*
 - o Liz Ritter*
 - o Rick Levinger*
 - o Craig Bunnell*
- Memorial Pool*
 - o Jacob Sciammas*
 - o Chip Shilling*
 - o Cathy Van Moren*
 - o Avery Van Gaard*
 - o Austin Goodrich*
- Bicycle Infranstructure*
 - o Carolyn Dvorak*
- La Crosse Center Arts Project*

- o Doug Weidenbach*
 - Murals*
- o Doug Weidenbach*
 - NEA Grant Match*
- o Doug Weidenbach*
 - Eagle Sculpture repair*
- o Doug Weidenbach*
 - Streetscaping 4th and Market St*
- o Jansen Dahl*
 - Street Paving*
- o Janice Hoeschler*

Next Meeting Date/Agenda Items

The next meeting is September 18, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the 3rd floor conference room. The commission approved by consensus canceling the September 11, 2017 meeting due to a scheduling conflict with the Board of Estimates.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Tischer, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Tim Kabat at 5:55 p.m.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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