



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Thursday, September 13, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Mayor Tim Kabat, Presiding

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

Roll Call

Present: 11 - Tim Kabat, Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Justice Weaver, Jacqueline Marcou, Jessica Olson, Paul Medinger, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel, Roger Christians

Excused: 3 - David D. Marshall, Gary Padesky, Phillip A. Ostrem

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Pastor Corey Sateren of Bethany Church offered an invocation.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, to APPROVE the minutes of August 9, 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

[18-1256](#)

Report of Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention and Building Safety on Inspections & Permit Revenue for the Month of August 2018.

2018-09-001

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, that the Report be RECEIVED AND FILED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

[18-1286](#)

Report of the Director of Finance for the month of August 2018.

2018-09-002

A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Christians, that the Report be RECEIVED AND FILED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

Notices and Discussions

Reminders by Mayor:

Special meetings on September 17 regarding rezoning in Waterview Subdivision and Board of Estimates meeting is cancelled for September 17; Department reports will take place on September 25. Budget will be available by end of week September 21.

Council Member Padesky is recovering and doing well.

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[18-1283](#)

Resolution approving Engineering Estimates for September 2018.

2018-09-003

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

[18-1284](#)

Resolution approving 2018 Bills paid in September.

2018-09-004

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

[18-1285](#)

Appeal by Frank Schwarz of Impartial Hearing Officer Decision dated 6/8/2018.

(Note: The Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(f) to consider disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons. Following any closed session, the Council may reconvene in open session.)

Mayor Kabat requested this item be moved to the end of the agenda; unanimous consent by Council.

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Gaul, to convene in CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(f) to consider disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

In closed session, a motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Medinger, to reconvene in OPEN SESSION. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Medinger, to EXTEND THE DEADLINE on the Appeal an additional 90 days. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[18-1275](#)

La Crosse Center Board: Nancy Flottmeyer, David McDowell, Danielle Peterslie, Brent Smith. Sustainable La Crosse Commission: Carolyn Mahlum-Jenkins.

2018-09-005

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, that the Appointments be CONFIRMED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL RULE V (Action by a Committee) FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEM (2/3 vote required):

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Weaver, to SUSPEND Council Rule V regarding action by a committee on File 18-1280. The motion carried unanimously.

SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL RULE VIII (New Business Deadline) FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS (2/3 vote required):

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Medinger, to SUSPEND Council Rule VII regarding deadline for New Business on Files 18-1213, 18-1270, 18-1280. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

18-1125

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Viner Plumbing & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$124,651.36 for 2018 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Repairs II.

2018-09-006

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

18-1126

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Lametti & Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$1,629,183.00 for 2018 Sanitary Sewer Lining.

2018-09-007

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

18-1127

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding the Trane All Abilities Park-Phase I project to Olympic Builders General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$792,700.00.

2018-09-008

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

Yes: 9 - Richmond, Neumeister, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

Non-Voting: 1 - Janssen

REPORT OF BIDS RECOMMENDED TO BE REJECTED

[18-0883](#)

Report of Bids for the Bluffview Park Ball Field Fence Replacement.

2018-09-009

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Neumeister, that the Report of Bids be REJECTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

[18-1128](#)

Resolution awarding contract to Gerke Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$143,705.23 for the Navy Reserve Pocket Neighborhood-Utilities project.

2018-09-010

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Medinger, that the Report of Bids be accepted and ADOPT Resolution based on staff finding additional operating funds to make up difference between what was approved in 2016 and result of bid report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

ITEMS WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

[18-1270](#)

Resolution approving Request by Impact Seven, Inc. to sign Collateral Assignment of Redevelopment Agreement with Impact La Crosse, LLC for Garden Terrace.

2018-09-011

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

[18-1280](#)

Resolution approving water and sewer connection agreement for property located at N3178 Vista Court North (Keppel).

2018-09-012

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT

[18-1067](#)

Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the Utility Department- Sanitary and Storm.

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, that the Resolution be AMENDED to insert the word Equipment before Operator in position title. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

2018-09-013

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Gaul, that the Resolution be ADOPTED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Weaver, Marcou, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 3 - Marshall, Padesky, Ostrem

CONSENT AGENDA

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

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[18-1066](#)

Resolution reallocating Capital Improvement Project funding from Logan Northside Neighborhood funding to Badger/Hickey Park.

2018-09-014

- [18-1089](#) Resolution appropriating uncommitted bond funds to replat 2226 Green Bay St.
2018-09-015
- [18-1098](#) Resolution approving Application of MJA1 Hospitality LLC dba Kramer's Bar & Grill for Expansion of Alcohol Beverage License for Special Event at 1123 3rd St. S. on September 28, 2018.
2018-09-016
- [18-1100](#) Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the Planning and Development Department.
2018-09-017
- [18-1108](#) Resolution accepting an AARP Grant for the purpose of conducting a Community Assessment of the aging population of the City of La Crosse.
2018-09-018
- [18-1119](#) Resolution approving lease with Hunger Task Force of La Crosse.
2018-09-019
- [18-1120](#) Resolution authorizing the Police Department to accept a Wisconsin Department of Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant.
2018-09-020
- [18-1121](#) Resolution approving Preliminary RePlat of Part of Navy Reserve Addition to the City of La Crosse, LaCrosse County, Wisconsin.
2018-09-021
- [18-1143](#) Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.
2018-09-022
- [18-1150](#) Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the La Crosse Regional Airport.
2018-09-023
- [18-1180](#) Resolution granting various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6 and/or 10 of the LaCrosse Municipal Code for remainder of license period 2018-19 (September).
2018-09-024

[18-1189](#) Resolution approving the purchase of a Hydro-Excavation Truck for the Water Utility and appropriation of funds.

2018-09-025

[18-1213](#) Resolution supporting a Highway Safety Improvement Program grant for West Avenue and traffic signal projects.

2018-09-026

ITEM RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED

[17-1056](#) Resolution approving Application of Western Technical College for a Conditional Use Permit allowing for demolition of structures to create green space at 314 and 320-322 8th St. N.

Referred 60 days to November 2018 meetings

Adjournment

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, to ADJOURN at 6:55 p.m. The motion carried by the unanimous voice vote.