



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance & Personnel Committee

Thursday, December 5, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

Call To Order

Chair Happel called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 5 - Barb Janssen, Douglas Happel, Erin Goggin, Larry Sleznikow, Rebecca Schwarz
Excused: 1 - Mark Neumann

Agenda Items:

[24-1389](#)

Resolution authorizing an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the Community Development Investment (CDI) Grant Program for the Haven on Main development.

A motion was made by Goggin, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1437](#)

Resolution approving the sale of City owned property at 626 Monitor Street to Property Logic III.

A motion was made by Goggin, seconded by Sleznikow, to OPEN public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

The following spoke: Karl Schilling, Tiffany Smith, and Marty Walleser.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Janssen, to CLOSE public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 1 - Sleznikow

No: 3 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin

Excused: 1 - Neumann

Abstain: 1 - Schwarz

[24-1453](#)

Resolution declaring certain property at 713 St. James St. (parcel #17-10010-90) as surplus property.

A motion was made by Goggin, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1498](#)

Resolution reallocating American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA) to the ARPA interest revenue account.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1506](#)

Resolution authorizing the creation and uses of special revenue funds for the Street Department.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Schwarz, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 1 - Schwarz

No: 4 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1520](#)

Resolution approving subordination request by Ocean Fin, LLC on Upper Floor Renovation Loan.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Goggin, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1521](#)

Resolution to re-allocate unused funds from closed projects and re-appropriate additional funds to open projects for the Water Utility.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Goggin, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1522](#)

Resolution to re-allocate unused funds from closed projects and re-appropriate additional funds to open projects for the Stormwater Utility.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1523](#)

Resolution to re-allocate unused funds from closed projects and re-appropriate additional funds to open projects for the Sewer Utility.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1524](#)

Resolution to authorize Sanitary Sewer Utility to purchase used dump truck from the Street Department.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1526](#)

Resolution re-appropriating Operating Budget funds for purchase of Street Department and Refuse & Recycling vehicles from the fleet lease program.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1527](#)

Resolution approving Federal transit operations and capital assistance application.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Schwarz, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1528](#)

Resolution approving State transit operating and capital assistance application.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1530](#)

Resolution appropriating additional Utility funds for design and environmental documentation as part of the STP-Urban project on 6th Street, from State Street to Cass Street.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1537](#)

Resolution to approve adjusted wage rates for part time, seasonal and casual city employees effective January 1, 2025.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1542](#)

Resolution re-allocating and appropriating unused roadway funds for additional funding on HSIP and Signal Replacement projects.

A motion was made by Schwarz, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1557](#)

Resolution authorizing application for and participation in the 2024 pre-disaster flood resilience grant program with Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) and designation of funding for same.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Goggin, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-1563](#)

Resolution approving a collective bargaining agreement between the City of La Crosse and the International Association of Firefighters, Local #127 (IAFF) for January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Goggin, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 12/12/2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Janssen, Happel, Goggin, Sleznikow, Schwarz

Excused: 1 - Neumann

[24-0001](#)

Collective Bargaining Update.

(Note: The Committee and/or 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 Committees and/or Council may reconvene in open session.) **F&P Item Only, unless otherwise directed.***

No action taken.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.