



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Thursday, October 9, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

Draft until approved by Council on 11/13/2025.

Mayor Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Presiding

Roll Call

Present: 13 - Tamra Dickinson, Erin Goggin, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Olivia Stine, Chris Kahlow, Gary Padesky, Mackenzie Mindel, Aron Newberry, Jennifer Trost, Crystal Bedford, Lisa Weston, Rosanne Northwood

Pledge of Allegiance

We recognize that the City of La Crosse occupies the land of the Ho-Chunk people. Please take a moment to celebrate and honor the ancestral Ho-Chunk Land, and the sacred lands of all indigenous people.

Invocation

Pastor Steven Larrabee, La Crosse Community Church of the Nazarene

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Dickinson, seconded by Sleznikow, that the minutes of September 13 and 23, 2025 be APPROVED. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

[25-1235](#)

Financial Report from the Director of Finance for the Month of August.

2025-10-001

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

Notices and Discussions

Council Member Kahlow recognized and congratulated Council Member Goggin who was the Oktoberfest Torchlight Parade Marshall. Council Member Goggin thanked the Police Department and other departments who were involved with the Oktoberfest parades.

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[25-1234](#)

Resolution approving 2025 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in October 2025.

2025-10-002

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

Yes: 12 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

Non-Voting: 1 - Mindel

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[25-1230](#)

Heritage Preservation Commission: Eric Garland. International Committee: Irene Barmore. Municipal Transit Utility Board: Andrew Ericson.

2025-10-003

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

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

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Padesky, to Suspend Council Rule XV for 25-1108, 25-1157, and 25-1158 (short-circuited items). The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED**25-0038**

Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Market & Johnson, Inc. in the amount of \$719,359.00 for the City of La Crosse Fire Station #3 Renovations project.

2025-10-004

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

ITEMS WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**25-1157**

Resolution authorizing Capital Equipment purchases for the Street Department as part of the approved 2026 Capital Improvement Plan

2025-10-005

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

Yes: 11 - Dickinson, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

No: 2 - Goggin, Janssen

25-1158

Resolution authorizing use of Street Department operating budget funds for the purchase of large Capital Equipment in 2025 for multi-department use

2025-10-006

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

Yes: 9 - Dickinson, Sleznikow, Stine, Padesky, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

No: 3 - Goggin, Janssen, Kahlow

Non-Voting: 1 - Mindel

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED[25-1130](#)

Resolution appropriating additional funds for sidewalk and restoration as part of the citywide sidewalk infill program (CIP #762).

2025-10-007

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

[25-1134](#)

Resolution to re-allocate unused funds from completed Capital purchases and/or projects to previously approved and newly requested capital equipment purchases for the Stormwater Utility.

2025-10-008

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

[25-1135](#)

Resolution to re-allocate unspent Capital funds from completed purchase and/ or projects to underfunded and unplanned capital equipment needs for the Sanitary Sewer Utility.

2025-10-009

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

Yes: 13 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

ITEM RECOMMENDED TO BE NOT ADOPTED[25-1054](#)

Resolution approving a reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the department of the Mayor.

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be NOT ADOPTED.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Northwood, that the Resolution be REFERRED for 30 days. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Dickinson, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Northwood

No: 8 - Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Padesky, Bedford, Weston

2025-10-010

The motion to NOT ADOPT carried by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Kahlow, Padesky, Mindel, Newberry, Bedford, Weston

No: 4 - Dickinson, Stine, Trost, Northwood

ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA[25-1053](#)

Resolution approving a Wisconsin Department of Transportation - Carbon Reduction Program State/Municipal Grant Agreement to upgrade the 2nd Street Cycle Track.

2025-10-011

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

Yes: 12 - Dickinson, Goggin, Janssen, Sleznikow, Stine, Kahlow, Mindel, Newberry, Trost, Bedford, Weston, Northwood

No: 1 - Padesky

CONSENT AGENDA

Unanimous consent to adopt the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED[25-1018](#)

AN AMENDED ORDINANCE amending various sections of Chapter 4 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse relating to alcohol beverage licensing.

ORD. 5348. For complete ordinance, see p. _____ of Volume 12 of Ordinances.

- [25-1127](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 40-13(a) and (b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding temporary use of streets by businesses renting dumpsters or storage containers.
ORD. 5349. For complete ordinance, see p. _____ of Volume 12 of Ordinances.
- [25-1108](#) Resolution approving Loan Modification Agreement and other associated documents for Upper Floor Loans with Dale Berg d/b/a Jeaneri, Ltd.
2025-10-012
- [25-1109](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign State/Municipal Agreement for a Highway Safety Improvement Project at the intersection of Mormon Coulee Road (USH 14) & Birch Street (Project I.D. #1641-03-07/77).
2025-10-013
- [25-1119](#) Resolution authorizing a Development Agreement for the Grandview Apartments project regarding a Site Assessment Grant (SAG) award from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC).
2025-10-014
- [25-1128](#) Resolution amending Appendix C Fee Schedule regarding the Temporary Street Privilege Permits for portable toilets.
2025-10-015
- [25-1129](#) Resolution authorizing installation of neighborhood safety street lighting at the intersection of 19th Street South & Jackson Street.
2025-10-016

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.