



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Agenda - Final-revised

Common Council

Thursday, May 8, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

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Mayor Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Presiding

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Pastor Pedro Luis, La Crosse Seventh Day Adventist Church

Council Member Appointment to the Executive Committee

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the April 10 Regular meeting and April 15 Organizational meeting.

Reports

[25-0508](#) 2024 La Crosse Fire Department Community Report

[25-0538](#) Financial Report from the Director of Finance for the Month of March.

Notices and Discussions

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[25-0537](#) Resolution approving 2025 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in May 2025.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[25-0530](#) Aviation Board: Tamra Dickinson. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Larry Sleznikow. Boundary Agreement Task Force: Lisa Weston, Tamra Dickinson, Rosanne Northwood. City of La Crosse Arts Board: Chris Kahlow. City Plan Commission: Olivia Stine, Aron Newberry. Climate Action Plan Steering Committee: Mackenzie Mindel. Committee for Citizens with Disabilities: Crystal Bedford. EMS Contract Negotiating, Committee: Erin Goggin. Heritage Preservation Commission: Mackenzie Mindel. Human Rights Commission: Rosanne Northwood. International Committee: Larry Sleznikow. Joint Board of Harbor Commissioners: Gary Padesky, Adam Binsfeld. La Crosse Center Board: Barb Janssen, Ralph Geary. La Crosse County Convention & Visitors Bureau: Barb Janssen. Library Board: Rosanne Northwood, Mac Kiel. Municipal Transit Utility Board: Aron Newberry. Neighborhood Revitalization Commission: Erin Goggin. Public Safety Communications Governing Board: Chris Kahlow. Redevelopment Authority: Barb Janssen. Room Tax Commission: Jennifer Trost

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

25-0502

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[25-0189](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Fowler & Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$650,410.15 for the 28th Street - Cass St to Main St project.

[25-0267](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to McCabe Construction in the amount of \$516,310.00 for the Forest Hills Tennis Courts project.

[25-0325](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Fowler & Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$902,459.27 for the King Street Greenway Construction project.

[25-0326](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Fowler & Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$148,662.00 for the 2025 Citywide Miscellaneous Curb Ramp & Sidewalk Replacement project.

[25-0358](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Pember Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$550,477.40 for the 2025 Signal Replacement project.

[25-0419](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Market & Johnson, Inc. in the amount of \$1,693,500.00 for the La Crosse Library Interior Renovation project.

[25-0424](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to A-1 Excavating LLC in the amount of \$847,682.00 for the Green Bay Street - 14th St to East Ave project.

[25-0425](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to BKC Construction LLC in the amount of \$269,557.53 for the Ward Ave Water Main Replacement project.

[25-0527](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to A-1 Excavating LLC in the amount of \$699,261.00 for the Saint Andrew Street project.

ITEMS WITH NO RECOMMENDATION

[24-1287](#) A CHARTER ORDINANCE to create Section 19 of Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse creating the position, duties and responsibilities of the Office of the City Administrator and removing duties from the Office of the Mayor.

Vote of 7-0 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee to refer with No Recommendation.

[25-0361](#) Resolution approving the conditional partial vacation of the 400 block of 12th Street North.

Vote of 0-6 out of the Finance & Personnel Committee to Adopt.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[25-0177](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Local Business District to the Traditional Neighborhood Development District - Specific allowing for the construction of a commercial and residential mixed-use building at 413, 417, 423, 425 and 431 West Ave. N. and 1204 Badger St.

Vote of 5-2 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.

[25-0413](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Planned Development District - General to the Planned Development District - Specific, allowing for the construction of 14 single-family homes at 5917 River Run Road.

Vote of 5-2 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.

[25-0312](#) Resolution reallocating funds from the Airport Capital Budget to the Airport Operating Budget for new capital projects in 2025.

A 2/3 vote of Council required - change to Capital Budget.

[25-0388](#) Resolution approving new FY2025 Airport capital equipment requests.

A 2/3 vote of Council required - change to Capital Budget.

[25-0474](#) Resolution authorizing the reallocation of 2021 Capital Equipment Budget funds to purchase Cloud-Based KnoxBox KeySecure Apparatus Hardware and Replacement of CRM Fleet Vehicles.

A 2/3 vote of Council required - change to Capital Budget.

[25-0475](#) Resolution allocating TID11 funding for the King Street Neighborhood Greenway Extension, from Front Street to 3rd Street (CIP 2022 #720).

A 2/3 vote of Council required - change to Capital Budget.

[25-0477](#) Resolution reallocating unencumbered capital funds, from CIP 2024 #843 (County Highway B Retaining Walls), to 2025 #648 (Annual ADA Ramp & Sidewalk Replacement).

A 2/3 vote of Council required - change to Capital Budget.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following consent agenda will be approved with a single voice vote, based on the recommended actions, unless an item is removed at the request of the Mayor or a Council Member.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[25-0416](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Single Family Residence District to the Residence District, allowing for the property to be converted to a duplex at 1027 6th Street S.

[25-0311](#) Resolution reallocating unused Airport Capital Budget funds to the Airport Operating Budget.

[25-0400](#) Preliminary resolution declaring intent to exercise special assessment powers under Secs 66.0829 and 66.0703, Wisconsin Statutes, relating to the operation and maintenance of a downtown parking system.

[25-0426](#) Resolution granting various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6, and/or 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for the license period 2024-2025 (May).

[25-0456](#) Resolution to support the designation of the Mississippi River Trail within the limits of the City of La Crosse.

[25-0457](#) Resolution moving \$50,000.00 from Pettibone Parking Lot Project, CIP#773, to Pettibone Park, CIP #437.

[25-0478](#) Resolution to contest the WisDOT's proposed modifications, including closure, of the existing public railroad crossings at Liberty Street/St. Cloud Street and Avon Street/Hagar Street.

[25-0502](#) Resolution clarifying the membership and continuing duties of a City Administrator Working Group and outlining its current recommendation.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE NOT ADOPTED

[24-0977](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Local Business and Commercial Districts to the Traditional Neighborhood District - General, allowing for the combination of parcels and construction of commercial and residential mixed-use buildings at 1822 State Road 16 and adjacent parcels at State Road 16.

Adjournment

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Council Members:

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