



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance & Personnel Committee

Thursday, March 5, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

Call To Order

Chair Goggin called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 4 - Barb Janssen, Erin Goggin, Larry Sleznikow, Rosanne Northwood

Excused: 2 - Aron Newberry, Chris Kahlow

Agenda Items:

[26-0054](#)

Resolution approving Investment Services Agreements for the period of April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0122](#)

Resolution amending Appendix C of the Municipal Code for the City of La Crosse entitled "Fee Schedule" regarding fees for building, plumbing, electrical, HVAC and erosion control permits.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0128](#)

Resolution amending the compression pay for Battalion Chiefs, Assistant Fire Chief and Fire Chief.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Goggin,Sleznikow

No: 2 - Janssen,Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry,Kahlow

[26-0146](#)

Resolution approving First Amendment to development agreements with The Chalmers, LLC, a multi-family housing development located at 215 Pine Street and 401 3rd Street North.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow,Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry,Kahlow

[26-0149](#)

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

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow,Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry,Kahlow

[26-0150](#)

Resolution amending the compression pay for Police Captains, Assistant Chief of Police and Chief of Police.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Goggin,Sleznikow

No: 2 - Janssen,Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry,Kahlow

[26-0173](#)

Resolution creating and appropriating funds for Capital Improvement design for the La Crosse City Hall Sixth Floor Remodeling project.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE NOT ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0197](#)

Resolution amending Appendix C Fee Schedule of the La Crosse Municipal Code to include a fee for late renewal of alcohol beverage and cigarette, tobacco and vaping device applications.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0209](#)

Resolution requesting TID 11 funds for Downtown Beautification Project.

Unanimous consent to OPEN public hearing.

The following spoke: Chad Honeycutt.

Unanimous consent to CLOSE public hearing.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution Referred with NO RECOMMENDATION to the Common Council on 3/12/2026.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0213](#)

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

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Northwood

Excused: 2 - Newberry, Kahlow

[26-0214](#)

Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the City of La Crosse Refuse and Recycling Services for City Buildings and Facilities 2022-2026 Contract by and between Hilltopper Refuse & Recycling Services and the City of La Crosse.

(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.)

Unanimous consent to convene in closed session for items 26-0214, 26-0220, and 26-0221.

Roll Call: Northwood Excused; Council President Dickinson, as ex officio member, joined the meeting for closed session to maintain quorum.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow to reconvene in open session.

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Dickinson

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Excused: 3 - Newberry, Kahlow, Northwood

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[26-0220](#)

Resolution amending a vacation conversion memorandum of understanding ("MOU") between the City of La Crosse and the International Association of Firefighters, Local #127. *(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.)*

Unanimous consent to convene in closed session for items 26-0214, 26-0220, and 26-0221.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow to reconvene in open session.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 3/12/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Janssen, Goggin, Sleznikow, Dickinson

Excused: 3 - Newberry, Kahlow, Northwood

[26-0221](#)

Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Tri-State Ambulance Employee Leased Agreement Operational and Compensation Changes between the City of La Crosse and the International Association of Firefighters, Local #127. *(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.)*

Unanimous consent to convene in closed session for items 26-0214, 26-0220, and 26-0221.

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[26-0001](#)

Collective Bargaining Update.

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No action taken.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.