



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Common Council

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Thursday, December 9, 2021

6:00 PM

Southside Neighborhood Center  
1300 6th St S

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**Draft until approved by Council on 1/13/2022.**

#### Mayor Mitch Reynolds, Presiding

*Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 13 - Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Justice Weaver, Chris Kahlow, Mac Kiel, Mackenzie Mindel, Chris Woodard, Rebecca Schwarz, Jennifer Trost, Douglas Happel, Mark Neumann

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### Invocation

*Moment of silence.*

#### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Janssen to APPROVE the minutes of November 11 and 15, 2021; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

#### Reports

##### [21-1600](#)

Financial Report from the Director of Finance/Human Resources for the month of October 2021.

2021-12-001

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

## Notices and Discussions

*The Apartment Association of the La Crosse Area presented funds to La Crosse's Police K-9 Unit.*

*Mayor Reynolds noted that Mr. Louis Ferris passed away earlier in the day and wanted to recognize that Mr. Ferris was a person who lead by example in terms of service to our community and our nation as a whole.*

## COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

### [21-1696](#)

Resolution approving 2021 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in December 2021.

2021-12-002

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

### [21-1695](#)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee: Stephanie Sward. Ethics Board: Ron Malzer. International Committee: Alyson Glenz, Lynn West. La Crosse Center Board: Matt Boschka.

2021-12-003

**A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Woodard, that the Appointment be CONFIRMED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

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

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Janssen to SUSPEND Council Rule VIII for items 21-1670, 21-1685, 21-1698; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

**REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED**

[21-1687](#)

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Poellinger Electric, Inc. for the 10th & Cass Lighting project in the amount of \$124,934.91.

2021-12-004

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE REJECTED**

[21-1688](#)

Report of Bid for the Coulee Box Culvert project.

2021-12-005

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED**

[21-1535](#)

Amended Resolution approving the Use and Facility Management Agreement between the City of La Crosse Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department and Hatchery, LLC for the use and operation of business on the property located at 410 Veterans Memorial Dr. E.

2021-12-006

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

**Yes:** 12 - Richmond, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**No:** 1 - Neumeister

[21-1569](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 115-146(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse increasing the permitted height of buildings in the R5-Multiple Dwelling Districts.

*Ord. 5200. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

**A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Kahlow, that the Ordinance be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**ITEMS WITH NO RECOMMENDATION**

[21-1190](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Multiple Dwelling District to the Special Multiple Dwelling District allowing for a four-story building at 2575 7th St. S.

2021-12-007

**A motion was made by Kahlow, seconded by Weaver, that the Ordinance be NOT ADOPTED (WITHDRAWN). The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

[21-1698](#)

Resolution approving Estoppel Certificate for Industrial Park Restrictions for 3003 Airport Road.

2021-12-008

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

[21-1670](#)

Resolution authorizing the issuance of approximately \$2,850,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2021C, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County.

2021-12-009

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Janssen to ADOPT the consent agenda; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

*ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED*

[21-1440](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend various sections of Chapter 39 regarding special event permit policies and procedures and to amend sections 4-182(b)6) and 10-280 regarding damage to property/clean up fees related to special events.

*Ord. 5201. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

- [21-1566](#) AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend various sections of Chapter 20 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding Historic Preservation.  
*Ord. 5202. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*
- [21-1568](#) AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Traditional Neighborhood District - General to the Traditional Neighborhood District - Specific allowing for a 4-unit townhouse building at 618 and 624 Jackson St., and 1004 7th St. S.  
*Ord. 5203. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*
- [21-1582](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Light Industrial District to the Heavy Industrial District allowing for sales of welding and gas supplies at 901 Monitor St.  
*Ord. 5204. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*
- [21-1583](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Conservancy District to the Planned Development District - Specific allowing vacant Outlot (portion of 17-10687-270 Berlin Drive) to be combined with Lot 4 in the International Business Park making it more viable for development.  
*Ord. 5205. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*
- [21-1587](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Single Family Residence District to the Residence District allowing for the creation of a duplex at 719 Losey Blvd. N.  
*Ord. 5206. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*
- [21-1414](#) Resolution supporting the City of La Crosse's participation in the Cities with Nature initiative.  
*2021-12-010*
- [21-1423](#) Resolution supporting the City of La Crosse's commitment to pursuing clean energy and climate change solutions by joining the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition.  
*2021-12-011*
- [21-1525](#) Resolution approving Election Officials for 2022-2023.  
*2021-12-012*

- [21-1565](#) Resolution approving application of The Root Note LLC for a Conditional Use Permit at 115 4th St. S. allowing permission to apply for a Combination "Class B" Beer & Liquor license.  
*2021-12-013*
- [21-1567](#) Resolution approving request of Essence Lounge LLC for permission to apply for a Combination "Class B" Beer and Liquor license at 4329 Mormon Coulee Rd Unit A for the license year 2021-22.  
*2021-12-014*
- [21-1571](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the State/Municipal Agreement for the Citywide Traffic Implementation utilizing the Signal and ITS Standalone Program (Project I.D. #3700-10-89).  
*2021-12-015*
- [21-1572](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the State/Municipal Financial Agreement for the Citywide Traffic Implementation utilizing the Signal and ITS Standalone Program for the construction of Signal Equipment at South Avenue & Green Bay Street intersection (Project ID# 3700-10-79).  
*2021-12-016*
- [21-1593](#) Resolution approving application of Top Hat, Inc. dba CTS Taxi for 2022 Public Vehicle for Hire License.  
*2021-12-017*
- [21-1594](#) Resolution approving application of DJL, Inc. dba Luxury Limo for 2022 Public Vehicle for Hire License.  
*2021-12-018*
- [21-1595](#) Resolution approving application of Coulee Region Taxi LLC dba Coulee Region Taxi for 2022 Public Vehicle for Hire License.  
*2021-12-019*
- [21-1596](#) Resolution approving application of Sinkoss USA LLC dba Bullet Cab for 2022 Public Vehicle for Hire License.  
*2021-12-020*
- [21-1597](#) Resolution approving application of Bee Cab, Inc. dba Bee Cab for 2022 Public Vehicle for Hire License.  
*2021-12-021*

- [21-1598](#) Resolution approving application of Cinderella Carriage LLC dba Cinderella Carriage for 2022 Horse-Drawn Carriage License.  
2021-12-022
- [21-1599](#) Resolution approving application of River Town Pedal Tours LLC dba for 2022 Pedal Cab License.  
2021-12-023
- [21-1601](#) Resolution approving a 2022-2024 Scheduled Airline Operating Agreement and Terminal Building Lease with SkyWest Airlines, Inc.  
2021-12-024
- [21-1602](#) Resolution allocating additional funds to purchase Information Technology Equipment for the Airport.  
2021-12-025
- [21-1603](#) Resolution allocating additional funds to purchase a salt truck with plow for the Airport.  
2021-12-026
- [21-1619](#) Resolution authorizing additional funds for the purchase of two (2) 35-foot hybrid diesel electric low floor buses for the Municipal Transit Utility.  
2021-12-027
- [21-1623](#) Resolution authorizing Amended Wisconsin Land Purchase and Sale Contract for Lot 4 on Berlin Drive in International Business Park with Heather & Justin Yahnke.  
2021-12-028
- [21-1627](#) Resolution amending the City of La Crosse's Section 125 plan.  
2021-12-029
- [21-1656](#) Resolution granting Various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6, and/or 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for the license period 2021-2022 (December).  
2021-12-030

*ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED*

- [21-1654](#) Financial Statements with Independent Auditors Report as of December 31, 2020.  
2021-12-031

[21-1655](#)

Single Audit with Independent Auditors Report as of December 31, 2020.

2021-12-032

## ITEM FOR POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION

### ITEM RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[21-1685](#)

Resolution authorizing the purchase of property located at 2710 Onalaska Avenue and 2702 Onalaska Avenue. *(Note: The Committee and/or Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel. Following such closed session, the Committees and/or Council may reconvene in open session.)*

2021-12-033

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

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

## Adjournment

Unanimous consent to adjourn at 6:28 p.m.