



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Agenda - Final

Common Council

Thursday, July 11, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

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Mayor Mitch Reynolds, Presiding

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of June 4 special meeting, June 13 regular meeting, and June 17 special meeting.

Reports

[24-0870](#) La Crosse Fire Department Strategic Plan.

[24-0965](#) Financial Report from the Director of Finance for the Month of May.

Notices and Discussions

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[24-0964](#) Resolution approving 2024 Bills and Engineering Estimates in July 2024.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[24-0943](#) La Crosse Center Board: Brent Smith, David McDowell. City Plan Commission: Mark Neumann. Neighborhood Revitalization Commission: Karl Green. Housing Authority of the City of La Crosse: Roxanne Marina.

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[24-0648](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Fowler & Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$818,881.57 for the Victory Street project.

[24-0649](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Gerke Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$211,002.81 for the Smith Valley Storm Improvements project.

[24-0841](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Interstate Roofing & Waterproofing, Inc. in the amount of \$820,750.00 for the La Crosse South Hall Re-Roof project Re-Bid.

[24-0844](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Gerke Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$667,449.34 for the 2024 Pettibone Water Main Extension project.

[24-0845](#) Report of Bids and Resolution awarding contract to Gerke Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$254,147.05 for the Manhole Replacement Hagar & Sumner project.

ITEMS WITH NO RECOMMENDATION

[24-0876](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Sec 32-5 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding camping on City-owned property.

Motion to adopt failed on a vote of 2-3 (and one abstention) out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee

[24-0532](#) Resolution approving a partial vacation of public street right-of-way on the West side of 8th St North.

Motion to adopt failed on a vote of 0-6 out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[24-0790](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Residence District to the Traditional Neighborhood District - General, allowing for construction of a bakery, deli, and coffee shop with a second-story apartment at 1513 Market Street.

Vote of 5-1 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.

[24-0684](#) Resolution ordering a special election for Council Member of the 5th Aldermanic District on April 1, 2025.

Vote of 4-2 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.

- [24-0890](#) Resolution authorizing the filling of Council Member vacancy for Council Member District 5.
Vote of 4-2 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0772](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance of a Wisconsin Public Service Commission Energy Innovation Grant to conduct home energy audits for low income residents.
Vote of 4-2 out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.
- [24-0794](#) 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 (July).
Vote of 5-0 and one abstention out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0810](#) Amended Resolution assigning development of projects and programs for American Rescue Plan Act housing funds to the Economic and Community Development Commission.
Vote of 5-0 and one abstention out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.
- [24-0855](#) Resolution approving an appropriation of the City's ARPA monies earmarked for childcare to go towards a final ARPA-funded contract with The Parenting Place.
Vote of 4-1 and 1 abstention out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.
- [24-0698](#) Resolution reallocating 2022 Capital Equipment Budget funds for replacement of fire suppression hoses.
A two-thirds vote of the Common Council is required for Capital Equipment not previously listed in the adopted Capital Budget.
- [24-0869](#) Amended Resolution allocating unused Utility funds for Utility projects bid in 2024.
A two-thirds vote of the Common Council is required for Capital Equipment not previously listed in the adopted 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

- [24-0679](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Residential District to the Single Family Residence District, allowing for the property to be combined with the adjacent parcel, at 223 West Ave. S.
- [24-0776](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Public/Semi-Public District to the Residence District, allowing for a duplex at 906 Gillette Street.

- [24-0818](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Sec 32-5(b) and Sec 32-5(c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding camping on City-owned property.
- [24-0872](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 8-22 and 8-51 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding the Aviation Board.
- [24-0873](#) A CHARTER ORDINANCE to amend Section 6(b) regarding appointment authority with regard to the position of Airport Director.
- [24-0620](#) Resolution designating concessionaire for the La Crosse Regional Airport along with authorization to apply for "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor Permit
- [24-0660](#) Resolution designating City Hall as the official meeting location for City of La Crosse governmental bodies.
- [24-0735](#) Resolution approving application of Sughra Group of Companies LLC for a Conditional Use Permit at 212 Main St. allowing for application of a Combination "Class B" Beer and Liquor License.
- [24-0771](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance of an American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Community Challenge grant to host a design competition for accessory dwelling units (ADUs).
- [24-0850](#) Resolution adopting an updated City of La Crosse Travel Policy.
- [24-0851](#) Resolution adopting an updated Procurement Card Policy.
- [24-0857](#) Resolution authorizing Wisconsin Land Purchase and Sale Contract with Huitage, LLC for Lot 9 at 3106 Berlin Drive in the International Business Park.
- [24-0858](#) Resolution approving a Wisconsin Department of Transportation - Transportation Alternatives Program State/Municipal Agreement for the Drift Cycle expansion project and appropriating a funding source to the project.
- [24-0859](#) Resolution approving Certified Survey Map - Part of Government Lot 5, Section 6, T15N-R7W City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, WI and request for waiver of platting requirements.
- [24-0894](#) Resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$18,425,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024-A, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, for the purpose of completing certain capital projects in and for the City and purchasing certain equipment for the City, prescribing details of said notes and the form of note, authorizing the award of said notes to the best bidder therefor, levying taxes, and related matters.

ITEM FOR POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION[24-0871](#)

Appeal by Mayor Mitch Reynolds for the City of La Crosse of the Heritage Preservation Commission designation of historical structure for the building located at 1307 16th St. S.

(Note: The Common Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel and Wis. Stats. 19.85(1)(a) to deliberate its decision. Following any closed session, the Council may reconvene in open session.)

Public hearing.

Adjournment**NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY**

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Council Members:

Tamra Dickinson, Erin Goggin, Barb Janssen, Larry Slezniow, Christine Kahlow, Mac Kiel, Mackenzie Mindel, Chris Woodard, Rebecca Schwarz, Jennifer Trost, Douglas Happel, Mark Neumann, Vacancy (Dist. 5)