



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance & Personnel Committee

Thursday, April 4, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Call To Order

Chair Paul Medinger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Douglas Happel, Paul Medinger, Roger Christians, Barb Janssen, Phillip A. Ostrem, David D. Marshall

Agenda Items:

[19-0429](#)

Resolution approving Conceptual Design of the La Crosse Center Expansion and Renovation and authorization to effectuate development.

(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.)

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Ostrem, to open public hearing. The motion carried.

The following persons spoke in FAVOR: Brent Smith, Kevin Bills, Peter Linsmeier, Tom Roepke, Dave Ring, Vicki Markussen, Nathan Franklin.

The following persons spoke in OPPOSITION: Chris Navratil.

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Marshall, to close public hearing. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Christians, to approve.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, to refer with no recommendation to the April 11, 2019 Council meeting with direction to the La Crosse Center Board and architects to come up with alternatives to increase north hall to 15,000 square foot and determine options for what can be eliminated or postponed.

A motion was made by Marshall to convene in closed session. Unanimous consent to convene in closed session at the end of the agenda after consideration of other agenda items.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Happel, to convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel. The motion carried unanimously on roll call vote.

A motion was made to reconvene in open session. The motion carried by voice vote.

On the Janssen/Ostrem motion to refer with no recommendation, the motion failed unanimously.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Christians, to move the "Gaul/Kabat amendment" expanding north hall to 15,000 square feet at a cost of no more than \$42.3 million and instruct that \$300,000 be removed from the construction cost contingency fund for a net cost of \$42 million and further direct any savings from Johnson Control contract be applied to the La Crosse Center expansion project. The motion carried unanimously 5-0 (Medinger excused).

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Happel, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0312](#)

Resolution authorizing 2019 Action Plan and funding allocation in connection with CDBG and HOME programs.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, to open public hearing. The motion carried.

The following person spoke in FAVOR: Aaron Reimler, Kim Cable, Isaac Hoffman.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Ostrem, to close public hearing. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Happel, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0443](#)

Resolution Approving Performance Contract with Johnson Controls, Inc.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, to open public hearing. The motion carried.

The following person spoke in FAVOR: Lewis Kuhlman.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, to close public hearing. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, to adopt.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Happel, to amend changing funding source accounts. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Happel, that the Resolution be

RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0336](#)

Resolution accepting donation from the La Crosse Community Foundation for the replacement of the Fire Safety House.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Marshall, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0339](#)

Resolution approving revised boundaries for the Downtown Parking Assessment District.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0340](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign State/Municipal Agreement for the Reconstruction of Gillette Street from Caledonia Street to George Street (Project I.D. #5991-07-42/43).

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0341](#)

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign State/Municipal Agreement for the Reconstruction of Green Bay Street from East Avenue to 22nd Street South (Project I.D. #5991-07-36/37).

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Marshall, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0362](#)

Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the La Crosse Center creating a position of Sales & Event Coordinator.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0397](#)

Resolution approving 2018 annual stormwater permit report.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0411](#)

Resolution adjusting wage rates for part time, seasonal and casual city employees effective April 19, 2019.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0419](#)

Resolution providing Veterans and their families free admission into Veterans Memorial Pool.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0420](#)

Resolution confirming appointment of Jay Odegaard as Director of Parks, Recreation, Forestry, Facilities and Grounds.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0433](#)

Resolution approving an amendment to the project plan and boundaries of Tax Incremental District No. 6, City of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0439](#)

Resolution authorizing reaffirmation of loan subordination agreement between Northside Development of La Crosse, LLC, Northside Offices, LLC and Northside Buchner, LLC.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0453](#)

Resolution approving the carryover of unexpended appropriations from the 2018 Operating Budget to the 2019 Operating Budget in conjunction with final adjustments to the 2018 operating budgets.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, to adopt.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, to amending typo in appropriation to \$548,733.00. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0454](#)

Resolution approving a reclassification of the Director of the La Crosse Regional Airport position.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, to adopt.

A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Marshall, to amend salary range and make effective April 19, 2019. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0466](#)

Resolution approving a twelve (12) month agreement with Aramark for rug/uniform/linen/rag cleaning services.

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0477](#)

Resolution approving an increase in Council Member expense accounts.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Christians, to adopt.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Happel, to amend increase to \$300.00 for Council Members and Council President with an effective date of January 2020. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Marshall, that the Resolution be **RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED** to the Common Council on 4/11/2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Happel, Medinger, Christians, Janssen, Ostrem, Marshall

[19-0064](#)

Collective Bargaining Update.

(Note: The committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(e) to update and formulate negotiation strategies and parameters. Following the closed session, the committee may reconvene in open session.) F&P item only, unless otherwise directed.

No action taken.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Marshall, to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. The motion carried.