

City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall 400 La Crosse Street La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Judiciary & Administration Committee

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 6:00 PM Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

Call To Order

Chair Mindel called the meeting to order at 6:24 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Crystal Bedford, Gary Padesky, Jennifer Trost, Lisa Weston, Mackenzie Mindel, Olivia Stine, Tamra Dickinson

Agenda Items:

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.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Weston, that the Ordinance be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 8/14/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Bedford, Padesky, Trost, Weston, Mindel, Stine, Dickinson

25-0814

Resolution to delay removal of historic water drinking fountains (aka "bubblers").

A motion was made by Weston, seconded by Padesky, to OPEN public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.

The following spoke: Robert Hansen, Chuck Summers, Mark Zettler, Tina Pohlman, Barbara Kooiman, and Jason Mickelson.

Unanimous consent to CLOSE public hearing.

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Bedford, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 8/14/2025.

Bedford made an amendment to change wording from "delay removal" to "ensure the preservation through in-place or in storage," and subsequently withdrew said amendment.

The motion that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED failed by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Padesky, Mindel

No: 3 - Weston, Stine, Dickinson

Abstain: 2 - Bedford, Trost

25-0815

Resolution to install operating drinking fountains at various locations in the City of La Crosse.

Unanimous consent to OPEN public hearing.

The following spoke: Barbara Kooiman and Robert Hansen.

Unanimous consent to CLOSE public hearing.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Weston, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 8/14/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Bedford, Trost, Weston, Mindel, Stine, Dickinson

Abstain: 1 - Padesky

25-0822

AN ORDINANCE to create Sec. 32-165 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding hemp-derived cannabinoids.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Dickinson that the Ordinance be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Stine, that the Resolution be AMENDED as proposed (changing 1,000 feet to 500 feet). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Trost, seconded by Dickinson, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council on 8/14/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Bedford, Trost, Weston, Mindel, Stine, Dickinson

Abstain: 1 - Padesky

25-0830

Resolution approving suspension of Council Rule II(5) in order to reschedule the September 2025 Council Planning Meeting.

A motion was made by Dickinson, seconded by Padesky, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 8/14/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Bedford, Padesky, Trost, Weston, Mindel, Stine, Dickinson

25-0831

Various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6, and/or 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for the license period 2025-2026 (August).

A motion was made by Dickinson, seconded by Padesky, that the Application be RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SAME to the Common Council on 8/14/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Bedford, Padesky, Trost, Weston, Mindel, Stine, Dickinson

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.