



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Agenda - Final

Common Council

Thursday, February 8, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers
City Hall, First Floor

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Mayor Mitch Reynolds, Presiding

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Father Nicholas M Hanna, St. Elias Church

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of January 11, 2024.

Notices and Discussions

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[24-0191](#) Resolution approving 2023/2024 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in February 2024.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[24-0187](#) Arts Board: Dillon McArdle; International Committee: Karena Norton

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

24-0112, 24-0157, 24-0185

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

- [24-0136](#) Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Fowler & Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$545,971.87 for the Hass Street Reconstruction project.
- [24-0137](#) Report of Bids & Resolution awarding Kramer Well Drilling dba Kramer Service Group, LLC in the amount of \$309,922.24 for the 2023 Signal Fiber Southside Infill project.
- [24-0138](#) Report of Bids & Resolution awarding Steiger Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$62,980.00 for the Well 19 Fiber Optic Connection project.
- [24-0139](#) Report of Bids & Resolution awarding A-1 Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$347,283.50 for the Losey Boulevard Storm Outfall project.
- [24-0141](#) Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Integrity Grading & Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$7,623,314.90 for the River Point District - Phase 3 (Street & Utilities) project.

ITEMS WITH NO RECOMMENDATION

- [24-0068](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse by transferring certain property from the Multiple Dwelling District to the Public/Semi Public District allowing for the parcel to be combined with adjacent properties for construction of a parking structure at 221 16th St. N.
Recommendation to Adopt failed on a vote of 2-3 (2 abstentions) out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0071](#) Application of 421 Jay St. LLC for a Conditional Use Permit at 421 & 425 Jay Street allowing for a parking lot.
(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.)
No Recommendation on a vote of 7-0 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0096](#) Request of The Blue Zone Pickleball LLC for permission to apply for a Combination "Class B" Beer and Liquor license at 2500 Rose Street for the license year 2023-24.
No Recommendation on a vote of 4-3 out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0185](#) Resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds for River Point District Phase 3 related street and infrastructure improvements.
Special Finance & Personnel meeting scheduled for 5:55 p.m. on 2/8/2024.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

- [23-1243](#) AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Section 115-390(1)d.3. and to create Section 115-405 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse to allow accessory dwelling units.
Vote of 6-0 (1 abstention) out of the Judiciary & Administration Committee.
- [24-0147](#) Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of La Crosse Fire Department and the La Crosse County Historical Society regarding a renewable loan of historical apparatuses.
Vote of 5-0 (1 abstention) out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.
- [24-0157](#) Resolution approving a change in funding source and scope for the fifth change order to the energy saving performance contract with Johnson Controls, Inc.
Vote of 5-1 out of the Finance & Personnel Committee.

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

- [24-0119](#) AN AMENDED ORDINANCE to amend Sec 46-82 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding Sanitary Sewer Connection Fees.
- [23-0970](#) Resolution authorizing the acquisition of property interests for a street opening and infrastructure improvements for the River Point District property and appropriation of funds.
- [24-0035](#) Resolution approving Communications Utility Easement with the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System.
- [24-0085](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of an interim Airport Director effective January 18, 2024.
- [24-0089](#) Resolution amending capital projects at the La Crosse Regional Airport.
- [24-0095](#) Resolution approving a reorganization to the table of positions and classifications within the City of La Crosse Planning, Development and Assessment department.
- [24-0112](#) Resolution approving a development agreement for War Eagle, LLC.
(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.)
- [24-0113](#) Resolution declaring certain property located at 1307 16th St S (Parcel #17-50265-10) as surplus property.

- [24-0118](#) Resolution adopting Sanitary Sewer Utility Rate Review and Cash Reserve Policy.
- [24-0150](#) Resolution authorizing funding for Utility Infrastructure Work at River Point District for Phase 3.
- [24-0151](#) Resolution approving lease renewal with Rivercrest Village Partners.
- [24-0153](#) Resolution authorizing the reallocation of remaining 2020 Capital Equipment Budget funds to 2024 approved Capital Equipment Budget funds to replace Rescue Boat.
- [24-0154](#) Resolution providing for the redemption and payment prior to maturity of the Note Anticipation Notes, Series 2021, of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin, and, in connection therewith, the execution of related documents necessary to effectuate such redemption.

Adjournment

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Council Members:

Tamra Dickinson, Erin Goggin, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Jenasea Hameister, Christine Kahlow, Mac Kiel, Mackenzie Mindel, Chris Woodard, Rebecca Schwarz, Jennifer Trost, Douglas Happel, Mark Neumann