



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Thursday, November 8, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Council President Martin Gaul Presiding

Roll Call

Present: 13 - Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, David D. Marshall, Justice Weaver, Jacqueline Marcou, Gary Padesky, Jessica Olson, Phillip A. Ostrem, Paul Medinger, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel, Roger Christians

Excused: 1 - Tim Kabat

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Pastor Chris Crye of Neighborhood City Church offered the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, to APPROVE the minutes of October 11, 2018 regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports

[18-1529](#)

Report of Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention and Building Safety on Inspections & Permit Revenue for the Month of October, 2018.

2018-11-001

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

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Notices and Discussions

- Olson reported on the Second Annual Canine fundraiser by the Apartment Association of the La Crosse Area; presentation of \$5,000 donation.
- Happel provided the status of the Town of Shelby boundary agreement negotiations.
- Marcou announced she will not seek re-election.

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[18-1285](#)

Appeal by Frank Schwarz of Impartial Hearing Officer Decision dated 6/8/2018.

(Note: The Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 19.85(1)(f) to consider disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons. Following any closed session, the Council may reconvene in open session.)

A motion was made by Marcou, seconded by Richmond, to EXTEND THE DEADLINE on the Appeal an additional 60 days. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1520](#)

Resolution approving November 2018 Engineering Estimates.

2018-11-002

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, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1521](#)

Resolution approving 2018 bills paid in November.

2018-11-003

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

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[18-1522](#)

Room Tax Commission: Marilyn Wigdahl. Weed Commissioner: Kelsey Hanson.

2018-11-004

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Weaver, that the Appointments be CONFIRMED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

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

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, to SUSPEND Council Rule VIII on Items 18-1498 and 18-1510. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[18-1448](#)

Report of Bids & Resolution Awarding Contract to Winona Mechanical, Inc. for the Willow Trail Restoration project in the amount of \$27,342.00.

2018-11-005

A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Medinger, that the Report of Bids & Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1449](#)

Report of Bids & Resolution Awarding Contract to Wapasha Construction Company, Inc. for the Digester No. 1 Floating Cover Replacement contract in the amount of \$844,000.00.

2018-11-006

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Marcou, that the Report of Bids & Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED[18-1226](#)

Resolution approving Application of Philip Gelatt for a Conditional Use Permit allowing demolition of structure for green space at 444 Losey Court Lane.

2018-11-007

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Padesky, Olson, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

No: 2 - Marcou, Ostrem

Absent: 1 - Weaver

[18-1309](#)

Resolution prohibiting the Pay by Phone Parking Zone Program near WTC and UW-L Campus areas.

A motion was made by Weaver, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RE-REFERRED an additional 60 days due back in January 2019. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1467](#)

Resolution approving Final RePlat of Part of Navy Reserve Addition to the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin.

2018-11-008

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

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1498](#)

Resolution approving Settlement Agreement in the cases of *Menard, Inc. v. City of La Crosse*, La Crosse County Circuit Court Case Nos. 16-CV-348 and 17-CV-385.

(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.)

2018-11-009

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Medinger, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

[18-1177](#)

Resolution approving reorganization to the table of positions and classifications for the Engineering Department.

A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Janssen, to ADOPT.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Padesky, that the Resolution be AMENDED to change the effective date from November 9 to November 16. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

2018-11-010

A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be ADOPTED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

[18-1510](#)

Resolution authorizing new positions to the 2019 operating budget.

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Medinger, to ADOPT.

A motion was made by Medinger, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be AMENDED to remove IT. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

2018-11-011

A motion was made by Weaver, seconded by Medinger, that the Resolution be ADOPTED AS AMENDED. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Marshall, Weaver, Marcou, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Medinger, Gaul, Happel, Christians

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Olson, that the Consent Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[18-0767](#)

AN ORDINANCE to repeal Sections 103-399 to 103-403 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding mandatory inspection and registration for residential rental properties.

Ord. 5071. For complete ordinance, see p. ____ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.

- [18-0771](#) Resolution amending Appendix C - Fee Schedule for the City of La Crosse related to residential inspection fees.
2018-11-012
- [18-1279](#) Resolution amending the Declaration of Protective Covenants at the International Business Park regarding addition of Lot 27 at Berlin Drive.
2018-11-013
- [18-1305](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of LED retrofit kits for airport runway closure markers.
2018-11-014
- [18-1324](#) Resolution authorizing the consolidation and closing of bank accounts that are no longer required for operational tracking purposes outside of the City's financial software.
2018-11-015
- [18-1345](#) Resolution authorizing purchase of engineering equipment and supplies.
2018-11-016
- [18-1362](#) Resolution levying Special Charges for Services performed in 2018.
2018-11-017
- [18-1364](#) Resolution approving Application of Coulee Region Taxi LLC to add vehicles to its Public Vehicle for Hire License with a change to the approved schedule of rates.
2018-11-018
- [18-1374](#) Resolution approving Certified Survey Map - Part of the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 12, T15N, R7W, in the Town of Shelby, La Crosse County, Wisconsin (Knobloch Road - Servais).
2018-11-019
- [18-1383](#) Amended Resolution approving lease with City Brewing Company, LLC for parking spaces on land near Joseph Houska Dr and Hood St on Isle La Plume.
2018-11-020

[18-1388](#) Resolution approving Application of Housing Authority of the City of La Crosse for a Conditional Use Permit allowing a multi-family dwelling in the Washburn Neighborhood Residential District at 711, 713 and 717 Division Street.

2018-11-021

[18-1433](#) Resolution authorizing the Director of Engineering & Public Works and Board of Works to install a statue monument and finish landscaping near the Moorings Subdivision for the Exit 3 Reconstruction Project.

2018-11-022

[18-1434](#) Resolution approving Memorandum of Understanding between the La Crosse Regional Airport and the City of La Crosse Fire Department for Airport Rescue and Firefighting coverage.

2018-11-023

[18-1443](#) Resolution appropriating funds for private contractor(s) to assist with clearing snow from public sidewalks for the 2018-2019 season.

2018-11-024

[18-1468](#) Resolution granting various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6 and/or 10 of the LaCrosse Municipal Code for remainder of license period 2018-19 (November).

2018-11-025

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED

[17-1056](#) Resolution approving Application of Western Technical College for a Conditional Use Permit allowing for demolition of structures to create green space at 314 and 320-322 8th St. N.

Due back in January 2019

[18-1196](#) Amended Resolution declaring Wittenberg Park as surplus property and authorizing a request for proposals process for development of the parcel.

Due back in May 2019

Adjournment

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Weaver, to ADJOURN. The motion carried by voice vote.