



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance & Personnel Committee

Thursday, February 6, 2020

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, Larry Sleznikow

Agenda Items:

[20-0135](#)

Resolution authorizing public improvement and levying special assessments against benefited property in La Crosse, Wisconsin for Concrete Curb & Gutter: 900 block of IGA Court.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, to AMEND changing "concrete alley pavement" to "concrete curb & gutter". The motion carried.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0097](#)

Resolution approving a lease agreement with The Fenigor Group, LLC for Senior Programming space.

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

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

The following persons spoke in FAVOR: Jim Wiffler, Joan Wolf.

The following persons spoke in OPPOSITION: Tom Hammill, Ralph Geary.

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

A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED WITH NO RECOMMENDATION to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Happel, Medinger, Janssen, Sleznikow

No: 1 - Ostrem

Abstain: 1 - Christians

[19-1831](#)

Resolution approving updated project descriptions for Houska Park Improvements in 2019.

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Christians, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0012](#)

Resolution approving additional Storm Water Utility funds for the U.S. Department of Commerce grant funded lift station project.

A motion was made by Christians, seconded by Ostrem, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0036](#)

Resolution approving an agreement between Wisconsin Municipal Mutual Insurance Company (WMMIC) and City of La Crosse for workers compensation self-insurance program claim services.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0118](#)

Resolution approving Application for State Trust Fund Loan for the purpose of financing property purchase for economic development project.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0134](#)

Resolution authorizing public improvement and levying special assessments against benefited property in La Crosse, Wisconsin for Sanitary Sewer: 600 block of Ferry Street.

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

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Sleznikow, to OPEN public hearing. The motion carried.

The following persons spoke in OPPOSITION: Rebecca Absalon, Thomas Feeny, Kathryn Feeny.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Christians, to CLOSE public hearing. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, to AMEND changing "concrete alley pavement" to "sanitary sewer". The motion carried

A motion was made by Ostrem, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0136](#)

Resolution authorizing public improvement and levying special assessments against benefited property in La Crosse, Wisconsin for Water Main: 1600 block of Hayes Street and 1500 block of Cunningham Street.

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

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Ostrem, to AMEND changing "concrete alley paving" to "water main". The motion carried.

A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED to the Common Council on 2/13/2020. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[20-0001](#)

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.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Sleznikow, seconded by Christians, to ADJOURN at 7:20 p.m.