



# City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall  
400 La Crosse Street  
La Crosse, WI 54601

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Common Council

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Thursday, November 11, 2021

6:00 PM

Southside Neighborhood Center  
1300 6th St S

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#### Mayor Mitch Reynolds, Presiding

*Mayor Reynolds called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

#### Roll Call

**Present:** 13 - Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Justice Weaver, Chris Kahlow, Mac Kiel, Mackenzie Mindel, Chris Woodard, Rebecca Schwarz, Jennifer Trost, Douglas Happel, Mark Neumann

#### Pledge of Allegiance

*The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Air Force Veteran Louis Ferris.*

#### Invocation

*Invocation was offered by Pastor John Parkyn from St. John's United Church of Christ.*

#### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Janssen to APPROVE the minutes of October 14, 20221; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

#### Notices and Discussions

*Schwarz thanked the staff members that follow up on service requests, and the Planning, Development, and Assessment Department on the presentation given the previous night.*

## COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[21-1590](#)

Resolution approving 2021 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in November 2021.

2021-11-001

**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, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[21-1584](#)

Aviation Board: Neil Duresky. Building and Housing Appeals Board: Will Kratt. Heritage Preservation Commission: John Satory, Laura Godden, David Riel. Human Rights Commission: Kristin Ringgenberg. International Committee: Mary Rohrer. Neighborhood Revitalization Commission: Nora Garland, Jim Bagniewski, Ralph Geary, Will Kratt.

2021-11-002

**A motion was made by Woodard, seconded by Mindel, that the Appointment be CONFIRMED . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

## SUSPENSION OF COUNCIL RULE VIII FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEM:

**A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Richmond to SUSPEND Council Rule VIII for item 21-1610; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

## ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[21-1402](#)

Resolution approving Application of Kwik Trip, Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit at 2308 Rose Street allowing for demolition of existing structures to assist in selling the property for future development.

2021-11-003

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Neumann, that the Application be ADOPTED . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**Recuse:** 1 - Woodard

[21-1461](#)

AN ORDINANCE to repeal and recreate Section 2-31(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse establishing boundaries for aldermanic districts.

*Ord. 5196. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

**A motion was made by Janssen, seconded by Trost, that the Ordinance be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Richmond, Janssen, Sleznikow, Kiel, Mindel, Schwarz, Trost, Neumann

**No:** 5 - Neumeister, Weaver, Kahlow, Woodard, Happel

**ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

[21-1445](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Low-Density Multiple Dwelling District to the Special Multiple Dwelling District allowing for the construction of a 4-story, 64-unit multi-family residential building at 410 and 414 Mississippi St, 1107, 1113, 1117, 1119, 1123, 1125 and 1127 4th St S, and 403, 409-411, 415-417 Jackson St.

*Ord. 5198. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

**A motion was made by Neumann, seconded by Mindel, that the Ordinance be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Mindel to ADOPT the Consent Agenda; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

*ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED*

[21-1406](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Commercial District to the Single Family Residence District allowing for the construction of a garage and privacy fence at 3441 Mormon Coulee Rd.

*Ord. 5197. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

[21-1446](#)

AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Local Business District to the Commercial District allowing for an auto service facility at 1103 Rose St.

*Ord. 5199. For complete ordinance, see p. \_\_\_\_\_ of Volume 11 of Ordinances.*

- [21-1192](#) Amended Resolution approving request for exception to Multi-Family Housing Design Standards by Bethany Lutheran Homes, Inc. allowing for an exception to the requirement for one parking space per bedroom and one bike parking space for every three bedrooms for a project at 2575 7th St. S.  
2021-11-004
- [21-1358](#) Resolution approving right-of-entry with the United States of America to allow the United States Army Corps of Engineers to place dredged material on Isle La Plume.  
2021-11-005
- [21-1359](#) Resolution appropriating \$30,000 in additional roadway funds for installation of a pedestrian crossing beacon (RRFB) at the Sunnyside Drive roundabout as part of State Project STH 35 (Project I.D. #5163-07-02/77, CIP #22-728).  
2021-11-006
- [21-1364](#) Amended Resolution approving Amended and Restated Use and Facility Management Agreement between WisCorps, Inc. for the Use and Management of The Myrick Park Center.  
2021-11-007
- [21-1399](#) Resolution expanding membership of the City of La Crosse Racial Equity Team to fourteen (14) employee members.  
2021-11-008
- [21-1405](#) Resolution levying Special Charges for Services performed in 2021.  
2021-11-009
- [21-1468](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance of Department of Transportation - Transportation Alternative Program grant funding.  
2021-11-010
- [21-1469](#) Resolution approving Fourth Amendment to Gundersen Lutheran Development Agreement.  
*(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.)*  
2021-11-011

- [21-1470](#) Resolution approving lease with Gary Arneson for the property at 500 Rose Street (parcel #17-10040-40).  
*2021-11-012*
- [21-1474](#) Resolution approving 2022-2026 Refuse & Recycling Services Contract for City buildings and facilities.  
*2021-11-013*
- [21-1476](#) Resolution authorizing the City of La Crosse to submit an application to Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for the Idle Sites Redevelopment (ISR) Grant Program.  
*2021-11-014*
- [21-1477](#) Amended Resolution authorizing the Police Department to accept a WI Department of Justice Law Enforcement Drug Trafficking Response Grant.  
*2021-11-015*
- [21-1503](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to file application for Transit Operations and Capital Assistance for 2022 with the Federal Transit Administration.  
*2021-11-016*
- [21-1506](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor to file for 2022 Transit Operations and Capital Assistance with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.  
*2021-11-017*
- [21-1507](#) Resolution directing the advertisement and sale of approximately \$2,850,000 general obligation promissory notes of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin.  
*2021-11-018*
- [21-1515](#) Resolution abolishing the La Crosse Historic and Cultural Museum Planning Task Force.  
*2021-11-019*
- [21-1528](#) Amended Resolution authorizing reclassification and reorganization of various positions within the departments of Finance, Human Resources, and Engineering/Public Works.  
*2021-11-020*

[21-1533](#) Various License applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6, and/04 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for the license period 2021-2022 (November).  
2021-11-021

*ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RE-REFERRED*

[21-1190](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Subsection 115-110 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse transferring certain property from the Multiple Dwelling District to the Special Multiple Dwelling District allowing for a four-story building at 2575 7th St. S.  
*Referred to December 2021 Meetings.*

[21-1259](#) Resolution declaring certain property located at Nakomis Avenue (parcel #17-10675-165) as surplus property.  
*Referred to January 2022 Meetings.*

**ITEMS FOR POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION**

*ITEM RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED*

[21-1479](#) Resolution approving an allocation of funding for the use of temporary winter shelter and operations. *(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.)*  
2021-11-022

**A motion was made by Mindel, seconded by Janssen to Convene in Closed Session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(1)(e) to formulate & update negotiation strategies and parameters; the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. (Schwarz Recused).**

**Unanimous consent to reconvene in open session.**

**A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Janssen, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**Recuse:** 1 - Schwarz

*ITEM WITH NO RECOMMENDATION*

[21-1610](#)

Resolution approving Agreement for Sanitary Sewage Conveyance and Treatment between the City of La Crosse and Onalaska. *(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.)*

2021-11-023

**A motion was made by Mindel, seconded by Janssen to 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; the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.**

**Unanimous consent to reconvene in open session.**

**A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Sleznikow, that the Resolution be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Kiel, Mindel, Woodard, Schwarz, Trost, Happel, Neumann

**Adjournment**

**Unanimous consent to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.**