



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Thursday, August 13, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Mayor Tim Kabat, Presiding

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

Roll Call

Present: 13 - Tim Kabat, Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, Larry Sleznikow, Justice Weaver, Chris Kahlow, Gary Padesky, Jessica Olson, Phillip A. Ostrem, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel, Roger Christians

Excused: 1 - Paul Medinger

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Pastor Jacob Eichers of Faith Lutheran Church offered the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Neumeister, that the minutes of July 9 and July 30, 2020 be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.

Reports

[20-1110](#)

Report of the Director of Finance for the Month of July 2020.

2020-08-001

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

Notices and Discussions

Christians reported a brochure is available at Downtown Mainstreet in honor of Elmer Peterson's artwork.

Richmond publicly thanked the Engineering and Street Departments and stated she learned a lot watching her street being re-paved.

COMMON COUNCIL MATTERS

[20-1104](#)

Resolution approving 2020 Bills and Engineering Estimates paid in August 2020.

2020-08-002

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAYOR

[20-1070](#)

Aviation Board: Barb Janssen. Building and Housing Appeals Board: Delores Spies. Board of Park Commissioners: Tracy Littlejohn. Committee for Citizens with Disabilities: Chelsey Myhre-Foster, Catlyn Cornelius. Human Rights Commission: Kemmesha Thomas. Municipal Transit Utility: Cathy Van Maren, Dale Anderson. Police and Fire Commission: Arminda Yutuc. Redevelopment Authority: Cassandra Woodward, John Kovari. Solid Waste Policy Board: Charlene Wegner.

2020-08-003

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

Yes: 13 - Kabat, Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

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

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Olson, to SUSPEND Council Rule VIII for Files 20-0873, 20-0985 and 20-1061. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

REPORT OF BIDS/QUOTES RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[20-0967](#)

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Winona Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$47,487.00 for the Badger Hickey Park Improvements-Phase 2 project.

2020-08-004

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

[20-0973](#)

Report of Bids & Resolution awarding contract to Borton Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$76,985.00 for the Riverside Park Restroom Renovation project with Alternates 1 & 2 and Sign Allowance.

2020-08-005

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

[20-1010](#)

Report of Quotes & Resolution awarding contract to Klich Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$20,200.00 for the Red Cloud Park Trail Lights Installation project.

2020-08-006

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

ITEM WITH NO RECOMMENDATION

[20-1127](#)

Resolution approving a State Municipal Parklet Agreement with the WisDOT for temporary parklet installations on State Trunk and/or Connecting Highways and amending the Outdoor Café Program Guidelines.

2020-08-007

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

Yes: 12 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Kahlow, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[20-0916](#)

Resolution approving Application of Beverly Scott-Lawrence for a Conditional Use Permit (amendment) allowing storage buildings in a heavy industrial zoning district at 226 and 232 Hood Street.

2020-08-008

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

Yes: 11 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Padesky, Olson, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

No: 1 - Kahlow

Excused: 1 - Medinger

[20-0944](#)

Resolution approving Green Island Tennis Complex Use Agreement between the City of La Crosse and Aquinas Catholic Schools.

A motion was made by Neumeister, seconded by Olson, that the Resolution be REFERRED for 30 days. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Neumeister, Kahlow, Olson

No: 9 - Richmond, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Padesky, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

Excused: 1 - Medinger

2020-08-009

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Padesky, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

No: 2 - Kahlow, Olson

Excused: 1 - Medinger

[20-0945](#)

Resolution approving Green Island Tennis Complex Use Agreement between the City of La Crosse and University of Wisconsin - La Crosse.

2020-08-010

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

Yes: 10 - Richmond, Neumeister, Janssen, Sleznikow, Weaver, Padesky, Ostrem, Gaul, Happel, Christians

No: 2 - Kahlow, Olson

Excused: 1 - Medinger

CONSENT AGENDA

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

ITEMS RECOMMENDED TO BE ADOPTED

[20-0857](#)

Resolution approving the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department 2021-2025 Strategic Plan.

2020-08-011

[20-0872](#)

Resolution approving 2019 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for the Isle La Plume Wastewater Treatment Facility.

2020-08-012

[20-0873](#)

Resolution and Report of the Board of Public Works on the costs of operating and maintaining the parking system in downtown La Crosse.

2020-08-013

[20-0917](#)

Resolution approving Application of City of La Crosse for a Conditional Use Permit allowing installation of an Electronic Message Unit in the La Crosse Center located at 300 Harborview Plaza/315 Front St. S.

2020-08-014

[20-0918](#)

Resolution approving the sale of City owned surplus property, Lot 11 on Creekside Place, to Kallie McGettigan.

2020-08-015

- [20-0937](#) Resolution directing the advertisement and sale of approximately \$6,780,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2020A, approximately \$4,270,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2020B, approximately \$35,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Taxable General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2020C and approximately \$7,280,000 Taxable General Obligation Parking Refunding Bonds, Series 2020D of the City of La Crosse, La Crosse County, Wisconsin.
2020-08-016
- [20-0942](#) Resolution approving the intent to issue Utility Revenue Bonds by the Sanitary Sewer Utility for the funding of capital projects.
2020-08-017
- [20-0946](#) Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to Sign Easement Agreement for Utility Radio Repeater Tower near Chad Erickson Memorial Park.
2020-08-018
- [20-0950](#) Resolution approving funding for contract awarded to Steiger Construction, Inc. for Pettibone Beach Parking Lot Reconstruction project.
2020-08-019
- [20-0965](#) Resolution approving Condominium Plat of Great River Condominiums, City of LaCrosse, Wisconsin (Sunnyside Drive West).
2020-08-020
- [20-0985](#) Resolution authorizing the purchase of one (1) 35-foot Clean Diesel Bus for the Municipal Transit Utility.
2020-08-021
- [20-0986](#) Resolution granting various license applications pursuant to Chapters 4, 6 and/or 10 of the La Crosse Municipal Code for license period 2020-21 (August).
2020-08-022
- [20-1061](#) Resolution authorizing the appointment of an interim Director of Planning, Development & Assessment effective July 16, 2020.
2020-08-023

Adjournment

A motion was made by Olson, seconded by Sleznikow to ADJOURN. The motion carried by voice vote.