



City of West Allis

Meeting Minutes

Plan Commission

7525 W. Greenfield Ave.
West Allis, WI 53214

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 128
7525 W. Greenfield Ave.

REGULAR MEETING (draft minutes)

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

- Present** 7 - Wayne Clark, Brian Frank, Dan Devine, Brandon Reinke, Lisa Coons, Kathleen Dagenhardt, Eric Torkelson
Excused 2 - Jessica Katzenmeyer, David Raschka

Staff

Steve Schaer, Director of Planning & Zoning
Emily Wagner, Planner

Others Attending

Dan Rivera
Michael Morgan, Epikos Church
Vanessa Andrew; Madam Chino
Citali Mendieta Ramos, Jose Ramos, Nicolas Ramos; Antiqua/Tennyson
Dan Bryan; Dan Bryan Architect
Bob Monnat; Mandel Group, Inc.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [26-0219](#) March 25, 2026 (draft minutes)

Attachments: [March 25, 2026 \(draft minutes\)](#)

Mayor Devine abstained, as he was not in attendance at the March meeting.

Clark moved to approve this matter, Dagenhardt seconded, motion carried.

Aye: 5 - Clark, Frank, Coons, Raschka, Dagenhardt

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Devine

D. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

2. [26-0214](#) Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for Madam Chino, an existing Instruction/Training (30 or fewer persons at one time) use, at 6301 W. Lincoln Ave. (Tax Key No. 490-0112-000)

Attachments: [SLA- Madam Chino Fence -6301 W Lincoln Ave](#)

Emily Wagner presented.

Neighbor - Dan Rivera - present - requested to speak:

- 1) indicated concern of vision angle and section 13.30 of the West Allis Municipal Code
- 2) concerned with potential for future fence reducing his access to side door

Recommendation: Approval of Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for Madam Chino, an existing Instruction/Training (30 or fewer people at one time) use, at 6301 W. Lincoln Ave. (Tax Key No. 490-0112-000).1) If additional fencing is proposed along the west property line, it should be submitted for review and consideration. 2) Fence panels being installed with gaps to allow for better visibility.

Clark moved to approve this matter to include spacing slats of wood fence, Frank seconded, motion carried.

3. [26-0215](#) Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Amendment for Epikos Church, an existing religious institution, at 6229 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 454-0001-000)

Attachments: [SLA - Epikos Fence -6229 W Greenfield Ave.](#)

Emily Wagner presented.

Recommendation: Approval of Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for Epikos Church, an existing religious institution, at 6229 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 454-0001-000) subject to the following conditions:

1. Confirmation of the ramp landing area to equal 60 inches minimum prior to where the Greenfield fence will be installed.
2. Code Enforcement approval of the Greenfield fence's panic bar plans and installation to allow for code-compliant egress to the public ROW.

Clark moved to approve this matter, Torkelson seconded, motion carried.

- 4A. [26-0220](#) Conditional Use Permit for El Toro Restaurant, a proposed Restaurant Use, at 5632 W. Burnham St.

Items 4A & 4B were taken together.

Torkelson moved to approve this matter, Dagenhardt seconded, motion carried.

- 4B. [26-0216](#) Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for El Toro Restaurant, a proposed Restaurant Use, at 5632 W. Burnham St. (Tax Key No. 455-0031-001)

Attachments: [\(CUP-SLA\) El Toro - 5632 W Burnham St](#)

Items 4A & 4B were taken together.

Steve Schaer presented.

Recommendation: Common Council approval of the conditional use and approval of the Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for El Toro Restaurant, a proposed Restaurant Use, at 5632 W. Burnham St. (Tax Key No. 455-0031-001) subject to the following conditions:

(Items 1-4 are required to be satisfied prior to the issuance of building permits associated with the proposed work reviewed by Plan Commission. Contractors applying

for permits should be advised accordingly.)

1. Common Council approval of the Conditional Use Permit (Scheduled for May 5, 2026)
2. A revised site, landscaping, & architectural plan being submitted to show (a) an outdoor bicycle rack in accordance with [WAMC 19.44](#) <https://westallis.municipalcodeonline.com/book?type=ordinances> (b) details being shown on plan to include bollards or other protection measures for the exterior walk-in cooler (c) location of food trucks being shown on-site (if planned) (d) new decorative (wood or composite) double sided fencing being installed on the northern lot line to allow for buffer from the adjacent residence (e) details on the maintenance of landscaping on-site (new/replacement landscaping species list) (f) details being given on the exterior materials for the exterior walk-in cooler (g) confirmation if any exterior lighting or exterior painting is planned as that should be indicated on plan for approval.
3. Scope of work being indicated on signage and lighting. A signage permit will be required with the Planning & Zoning Department.
4. Any concrete work done in the City Right of Way will require a [Permit](#) <https://westalliswi.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1084/record-types/6456> from Engineering. Additionally, any contractors will need to be licensed and bonded in the City.

Staff noted that items 1(2-f) were satisfied as of the Plan Commission Meeting. Staff will seek more information on item 1(g).

Torkelson moved to approve this matter, Dagenhardt seconded, motion carried.

5A. [26-0217](#)

Conditional Use Permit for The Tennyson, a proposed Event Space (5,000 or more sq. ft.) use, at 6601 W. National Ave.

Items 5A & 5B were taken together.

Clark moved to approve this matter, Dagenhardt seconded, motion carried.

5B. [26-0218](#)

Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for The Tennyson, a proposed Event Space (5,000 or more sq. ft.) use, at 6601 W. National Ave. (Tax Key No. 454-9005-000)

Attachments: [\(CUP-SLA\) Tennyson-combined - 6601 W Nat'l Ave](#)

Items 5A & 5B were taken together.

Steve Schaer presented.

Recommendation: Common Council approval of the conditional use and approval of the Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design Review for The Tennyson, a proposed Event Space (5,000 or more sq. ft.) use, at 6601 W. National Ave. (Tax Key No. 454-9005-000)

(Items 1-4 are required to be satisfied prior to the issuance of building permits associated with the proposed work reviewed by Plan Commission. Contractors applying for permits should be advised accordingly.)

1. Common Council approval of the Conditional Use Permit (Scheduled for May 19, 2026)
2. A revised site plan being submitted to show two outdoor bicycle racks in accordance with [WAMC 19.44](#) <https://westallis.municipalcodeonline.com/book?>

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- 3. Scope of work being indicated on signage and lighting. A signage permit will be required with the Planning & Zoning Department.
- 4. Any concrete work done in the City Right of Way will require a [Permit](#) <https://westalliswi.viewpointcloud.com/categories/1084/record-types/6456> from Engineering. Additionally, any contractors will need to be licensed and bonded in the City.
- 5. Building permits being applied for with the Code Enforcement Department for review.

Clark moved to approve this matter, Dagenhardt seconded, motion carried.

6. [26-0221](#)

Project Tracking

Emily Wagner and Steve Schaefer presented.

Of note: West Allis being awarded National Strong Town winner was acknowledged.

E. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, a motion was made by Clark, seconded by Torkelson to adjourn at 6:37 p.m.



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