



City of West Allis

Meeting Minutes

Common Council

Mayor Dan Devine, Chair

*Alderspersons: Suzzette Grisham, Kimberlee Grob, Kevin Haass,
Chad Halvorsen, Danna Kuehn, Patty Novak, Marissa Nowling,
Daniel J. Roadt, Ray Turner and Martin J. Weigel*

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

7:00 PM

City Hall, Common Council Chambers
7525 W. Greenfield Ave.

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Devine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Present 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Ald. Grob

D. PRESENTATION

1. [2024-0071](#) New DPW Facility Update.

Melinda Dejewski, City Engineer, presented.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. [2024-0683](#) Conditional Use Permit for Woodlands School, a proposed K-8 elementary school, at 1526 S. 72nd St.

Steve Schaer, Manager of Planning & Zoning, presented.

The following individuals spoke regarding the topic:

Brady Coulthard, 1531 S. 98th St. Apt. 101

Ron Kubek, 9826 W. Cleveland Ave.

Noah Leigh, 3620 W. Loretta Ln., New Berlin

3. [O-2024-0041](#) Ordinance to convert massage therapy principal use from conditional to limited.

Sponsors: Economic Development Committee

Steve Schaer, Manager of Planning & Zoning, presented.

4. [R-2024-0549](#) Resolution to approve the Year 2025 Operating Plan for the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District and to adopt the special assessment method as stated therein.

Carson Coffield, Economic Development Specialist, presented.

F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ron Kubek, 9826 W. Cleveland Ave., spoke about traffic concerns.

G. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECESS MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

H. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Devine encouraged people to attend "Coffee with the Mayor", along with District 3 Alderpersons Kuehn and Grisham, held on October 16th at Bread Pedalers from 4-5 p.m. He also mentioned the official opening of Twisted Plants at 6202 W. Lincoln Ave. on Friday, October 18th, at 4 p.m.

I. ALDERPERSONS' REPORT

*Ald. Kuehn informed all Conrad Garden residents about the Halloween block party and pot luck on Saturday, October 19th starting at 2 p.m.
Ald. Halvorsen mentioned the Fairview Park block party being held at Kopperud Park on Sunday, October 20th from 1 p.m - 5 p.m. He also reminded everyone about Trick or Treating on Saturday, October 26th from 4 - 7 p.m. and encouraged everyone to stay safe.
Ald. Grisham mentioned Thursday is national pasta day and to support local restaurants.*

J. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 5. [2024-0728](#) October 1, 2024 Common Council Minutes.

Ald. Haass moved to approve, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

K. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

L. ITEMS NOT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (CONSENT AGENDA)

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Haass moved to approve the Consent Agenda, items #6 - #15, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

No: 0

- 6. [R-2024-0573](#) Resolution to approve a new contract for IT Services between West Allis and West Milwaukee.

Adopted

7. [R-2024-0591](#) Resolution accepting work of Pro Electric, Inc. for street lighting conversion and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2023 Project No. 8 for final payment in the amount of \$23,069.74.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

8. [R-2024-0594](#) Resolution to approve a six-month extension for conditional use permit to commence SoNa Lofts Phase 2, a proposed 5+ Unit Dwelling, at 6600 W. Mitchell St. (Tax Key No. 454-0656-000).

Adopted

9. [R-2024-0596](#) Resolution to amend Fee Schedule by creating water main tap permit fees.

Adopted

10. [R-2024-0597](#) Resolution relative to continuing the contract with Cities & Villages Mutual Insurance Company (CVMIC) for furnishing worker's compensation third party administrative services.

Adopted

11. [R-2024-0598](#) Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to extend existing funding under the Bureau of Justice (BJA) Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, Substance Use Program (COSSUP) grant.

Adopted

12. [2024-0720](#) Claim by Maria Medina regarding alleged physical injury at S. 76th St. and W. Howard Ave. on August 14, 2024.

Referred to City Attorney

13. [2024-0722](#) Finance Director/Comptroller submitting report for September 2024 indicating City of West Allis checks issued in the amount of \$5,856,507.92.

Placed on File

14. [2024-0725](#) September 2024 Municipal Judge Report, consisting of all fines, costs and fees collected by the City of West Allis in the sum of \$40,574.75.

Placed on File

15. [2024-0737](#) Temporary Public Entertainment (TEMP-24-30) request for Fairview Park Neighborhood Association, hosting a one-day event on October 20th, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. - 7 p.m., to be held at 800 Block S. 76th St. Applicant: Marty Johnson.

Granted

M. COMMON COUNCIL RECESS

Ald. Haass moved that the Council recess until completion of the Standing Committee meetings, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

The Council recessed at 7:52 p.m. and reconvened at 8:19 p.m.

N. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 8:00 p.m.

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Weigel moved to approve items #16 - #18, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

No: 0

- 16. [O-2024-0041](#) Ordinance to convert massage therapy principal use from conditional to limited.

Sponsors: Economic Development Committee

Committee Action:

Ald. Kuehn moved place on file, Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Placed on File

- 17. [2024-0734](#) 2025 City of West Allis Mayor’s Recommended Budget.

Committee Action:

Hold until November 12th, 2024 Council meeting

Council Action: Held until November 12th, 2024

- 18. [R-2024-0318](#) Resolution to approve settlement with Robert Gendrich regarding worker's compensation claim.

Committee Action:

Ald. Nowling moved to convene into Closed Session at 8:03 p.m., Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Kuehn, Nowling, Weigel, Grob and Novak

No: 0

Ald. Weigel moved to re-convene into Open Session at 8:17 p.m., Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Kuehn, Nowling, Weigel, Grob and Novak

No: 0

Committee Action: Proceed with City Attorney’s recommendations in closed session

Ald. Kuehn moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m., Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Proceed with City Attorney’s recommendations

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 7:55 p.m.

19. [R-2024-0582](#) Resolution authorizing acceptance of funds and naming of "Rotary-Knights Park" at 6501 W. Beloit Rd.

Sponsors: Alderperson Turner and Grob

Committee Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt with the amended title of "Rotary-Knights Park", Ald. Halvorsen seconded. Motion carried.

Ald. Grisham moved to adjourn at 8:00 p.m., Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted as amended

Aye: 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

No: 0

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 7:55 p.m.

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Kuehn moved to approve items #20 - #22, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

No: 0

20. [2024-0683](#) Conditional Use Permit for Woodlands School, a proposed K-8 elementary school, at 1526 S. 72nd St.

Committee Action:

Ald. Weigel moved to hold, Ald. Grob seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Held

21. [R-2024-0549](#) Resolution to approve the Year 2025 Operating Plan for the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District and to adopt the special assessment method as stated therein.

Committee Action:

Ald. Weigel moved to adopt, Ald. Grob seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted

22. [R-2024-0595](#) Resolution to approve a Commercial Facade Improvement Project Contract by and between the City of West Allis and Casey Rataczak, owner of the property located at 7413 W. Greenfield Ave., in the amount not to exceed \$30,000.

Committee Action:

Ald. Weigel moved to adopt, Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried.

Ald. Grob moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m., Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 8:00 p.m.

23. [2024-0729](#) New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Christopher Mesquita. (BART-1314)

Committee Action:

Ald. Haass moved to grant, Ald. Turner seconded. Motion carried.

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 8:02 p.m., Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Granted

Aye: 10 - Ald. Grisham, Ald. Grob, Ald. Haass, Ald. Halvorsen, Ald. Kuehn, Ald. Novak, Ald. Nowling, Ald. Roadt, Ald. Turner, Ald. Weigel

No: 0

O. ADJOURNMENT

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 8:23 p.m., Ald. Kuehn seconded, motion carried.

Next scheduled meeting is November 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

YouTube Meeting Links for October 15, 2024:

Common Council & Public Safety & Public Works Committees

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjpRRS_LD7Y

Administration & Economic Development

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tkqHJHXxAwk>



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