



# City of West Allis

## Meeting Minutes

### Common Council

*Mayor Dan Devine, Chair*

*Alderperson Thomas G. Lajsic, Council President*

*Alderpersons: Suzzette Grisham, Kevin Haass, Danna Kuehn, Thomas G. Lajsic, Rosalie L. Reinke,  
Daniel J. Roadt, Tracy Stefanski, Angelito Tenorio, Vincent Vitale, and Martin J. Weigel*

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Tuesday, October 19, 2021

7:01 PM

City Hall, Common Council Chambers  
7525 W. Greenfield Avenue

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#### REGULAR MEETING

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Devine called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.*

#### B. ROLL CALL

**Present** 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

#### C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Ald. Haass led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

#### D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [R-2021-0667](#) Resolution relative to determination of Application for a Special Use Permit for a proposed restaurant expansion for Camino, an existing restaurant, located at 7211-13 W. Greenfield Ave.

**Sponsors:** Safety and Development Committee

*No public comments.*

2. [R-2021-0664](#) Resolution to approve the Year 2022 Operating Plan for the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District and to adopt the Special Assessment Method as stated therein (Final).

**Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee

*Public Comment:*

*Anel Molina, owner of 7035 W. Greenfield Avenue received the special assessment proposal and wants to know why only a few people are receiving this assessment. Taxes keep going up and would like to know what this assessment and the City is doing for her and other out of state investors.*

#### E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

*Mark Vicena, 1338 S. 65th Street, thanked the License & Health Committee for revoking The Spot's licenses and hopes the rest of the Common Council votes to revoke as well. Getting rid of this business will help clean up his neighborhood more than they know. Many things he and the neighbors have called the police about several happenings there but many times the activity is done by the time the police arrive.*

**F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECESS MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

*Mayor Devine announced that the following Standing Committees would meet during recess: Administration & Finance, Public Works, Safety & Development, License & Health and Advisory.*

**G. MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Mayor Devine stated he attended the groundbreaking for the new Home2Suites Hotel which is the next phase of the Allis Yards project on 70th Street. On October 7, he along with Alderperson's Reinke and Roadt attended the Police Department Recognition Ceremony. He thanked the Police Department for going above and beyond their already difficult jobs. They also attended on October 14 the Swearing-In and Promotions Ceremony for the Fire Department. They swore in seven new Firefighters and recognized the promotions of several department members. He congratulated those on their promotions and welcomed the new members to the department. October 29 is the final flu shot clinic at the Senior Center from 1PM - 3PM and is open to all West Allis and West Milwaukee residents. For more information, please check our website.*

**H. ALDERPERSON'S REPORT**

*Ald. Stefanski stated on October 10, himself, Ald. Grisham and Truck Enthusiasts held a fundraiser for John Holmann who was killed in a motorcycle accident on 84th & Lincoln. He thanked The Shooters Shop for hosting it and thanked several other people and businesses who were involved and contributed to the event.*

*Ald. Grisham also thanked the Truck Enthusiasts for putting together that event. This person died because someone chose not to stop at the intersection of 84th and Lincoln. Stop signs are critical and save lives. She and Ald. Kuehn were contacted by a resident in their district and suggested putting together a Halloween decoration contest in the district. They will be judging the decorations on October 30. Trick-or-Treat is October 31 from 4Pm - 7PM.*

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3. [2021-1218](#) October 5, 2021 Draft Common Council Minutes.

**Ald. Stefanski moved to approve this matter, Ald. Lajsic seconded, motion carried.**

**J. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS****LICENSE & HEALTH COMMITTEE**

4. [2021-0758](#) Signed Findings & Recommendations, Summons and Complaint in the matter of complaint against E. Bomback and L. Bald, Partners, d/b/a The Spot, 6424 W. Greenfield Ave. Agent: Edward Bomback.

**Ald. Lajsic moved to postpone this matter to the November 2, 2021 Common Council meeting so the Common Council can receive oral and written arguments, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried by roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, and Weigel

**No:** 1 - Vitale

**K. ITEMS NOT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (CONSENT AGENDA)****Passed The Block Vote**

**Ald. Lajsic moved to approve the Consent Agenda, items #5 thru #16, Ald. Haass seconded, motion carried by roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

**No:** 0

5. [R-2021-0641](#) Resolution to authorize the purchase of one 2022 Volvo L70H Wheel Loader from Aring Equipment Company for a sum of \$148,210.

**Sponsors:** Public Works Committee

**Adopted.**

6. [R-2021-0642](#) Resolution to authorize the purchase of two 2022 Ram 1500 Tradesman 4x2 pick-up trucks from Ewald Automotive Group for a sum of \$56,441 and of Bird Ladder for furnishing two aluminum saddle tool boxes (127-05-03) for the sum of \$1,800, for a total of \$58,241.

**Sponsors:** Public Works Committee

**Adopted.**

7. [R-2021-0643](#) Resolution to accept the proposal of Casper's Truck Equipment for furnishing and delivering two (2) Universal CST Pin & Loop 11 Foot Heavy Truck Snow Plow's for \$12,204 each, for a total net sum of \$24,408.

**Sponsors:** Public Works Committee

**Adopted.**

8. [R-2021-0644](#) Resolution to authorize the purchase of one 2022 Ram 1500 Tradesman 4x2 pick-up truck from Ewald Automotive Group for a sum of \$28,220.50 and of Bird Ladder for furnishing one aluminum lo-side toolbox (184-5-03) for the sum of \$625, for a total of \$28,845.50.

**Sponsors:** Public Works Committee

**Adopted.**

9. [R-2021-0668](#) Resolution declaring the West Allis Downtown Fall Crawl-Dine Around the World scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, 2021 as a Community Event.

**Sponsors:** Alderperson Lajsic

**Adopted.**

10. [2021-1088](#) Request from Grebe's Bakery to remove the condition placed on their Class "A" Beer license stating "Only Imperial Stout Is Sold".

**Approved.**

11. [2021-1158](#) Claim by Jose Alicea-Adams regarding vehicle damage at 1908 S. 71st Street, on September 28, 2021.  
**Referred to the City Attorney.**
12. [2021-0999](#) Appointment of new Agent, Ronald L. Johnson, II, for Majdecki Foods Inc, d/b/a Piggly Wiggly #70, located at 11282 W. National Avenue.  
**Approved.**
13. [2021-1000](#) Appointment of new Agent, Erin Beeman for Mega Marts, LLC d/b/a Pick 'n Save #846, located at 2625 S. 108th Street.  
**Approved.**
14. [2021-1247](#) 2021-2022 New Adult-Oriented Establishment Operator's License application for Richard Altenbach.  
**Approved.**
15. [2021-1185](#) Finance Director/Comptroller submitting report for September 2021 indicating City of West Allis checks issued in the amount of \$3,228,575.79.  
**Placed on File.**
16. [2021-1216](#) September 2021 Municipal Judge Report, consisting of all fines, costs and fees collected by the City of West Allis in the sum of \$94,456.59 .  
**Placed on File.**

#### **L. COMMON COUNCIL RECESS**

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

The Council recessed at 7:33 p.m. and returned at 8:12 p.m.

Roll Call was taken and the following were present:

Present 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale and Weigel.

#### **M. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS**

##### **ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

##### **Public Hearing Item (Administration & Finance Committee)**

##### **Passed The Block Vote**

Ald. Haass moved to approve all the actions on items #17 - #21 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote.

**Aye:** 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

**No:** 0

17. [R-2021-0664](#) Resolution to approve the Year 2022 Operating Plan for the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District and to adopt the Special Assessment Method as stated therein (Final).

**Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee

**Committee Action:**

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

**Council Action:**

Adopted.

18. [R-2021-0640](#) Resolution to implement fee schedule update for fall 2021.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt as amended relating to effective dates, Ald. Kuehn seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Adopted.

19. [R-2021-0656](#) Resolution to migrate our on premise and aging Barracuda E-mail Archiving and E-mail Security Gateway systems to their new cloud based Total E-mail Protection program.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, Ald. Tenorio seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Adopted.

20. [R-2021-0665](#) Resolution to consider approving an Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2022 relative to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

**Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee

**Committee Action:**

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

**Council Action:**

Adopted.

21. [R-2021-0666](#) Resolution to amend the budget of the FY 2021 Community Development Block Grant Program for the Burnham Pointe Park and Pedestrian Improvement Project in the amount of \$25,000.

**Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, Ald. Tenorio seconded, motion carried.

Recess Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

**Council Action:**

Adopted.

22. [2021-1195](#) 2022 City of West Allis Mayor's Recommended Budget.

Held.

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

23. [R-2021-0660](#) Resolution authorizing the City Engineer to amend an existing agreement with Barrientos Design & Consulting, Inc. for additional Architectural Consulting Services related to the consolidation of City buildings in an amount not to exceed \$24,295 and approving an Engineering Department Fund Transfer and Amending the 2021 Capital Improvement Program.

**Sponsors:** Public Works Committee

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Reinke moved to adopt, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Ald. Stefanski moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m., Ald. Vitale seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Ald. Roadt moved to adopt, motion carried.

## **SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

### **Public Hearing Item (Safety & Development Committee)**

24. [R-2021-0667](#) Resolution relative to determination of Application for a Special Use Permit for a proposed restaurant expansion for Camino, an existing restaurant, located at 7211-13 W. Greenfield Ave.

**Sponsors:** Safety and Development Committee

**Committee Action:**

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

Recess Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

**Council Action:**

Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, motion carried.

## **LICENSE & HEALTH COMMITTEE**

### **Passed The Block Vote**

Ald. Vitale moved to approve all the actions on items #25 - #28 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

**Aye:** 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

**No:** 0

25. [2021-1128](#) New Class B Tavern License for Maria Rupena, Individual, d/b/a Rupena's Fine Foods Fall Fest 2021, 7609 W. Beloit Road (parking lot), West Allis, WI 53219.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Grisham moved to approve the Class B Tavern License for Maria Rupena subject to the following conditions:

1. The license is approved for a one-time event held on October 30, 2021 from 11AM - 9PM.
2. The event shall take place within the parking lot boundaries.
3. The license is suspended immediately thereafter.

Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Approved.

26. [2021-1219](#) 2021-2023 Renewal Operator's License (Bartender/Sales Clerk) application for Rolando Flores.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Grisham moved to recommend denial based on habitual criminal activity as it relates to the licensing activity, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Approved recommendation.

27. [2021-1220](#) 2021-2023 Renewal Operator's License (Bartender/Sales Clerk) application for Luke Kolancheck.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Grisham moved to postpone this matter to the November 2, 2021 Common Council meeting, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Approved postponement.

28. [2021-1166](#) September 2021 Police Department tavern violations/calls for service report.

**Committee Action:**

Ald. Stefanski moved to place this matter on file, Ald. Reinke seconded, motion carried.

Ald. Grisham moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m., Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:**

Placed on File.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE****Passed The Block Vote**

**Ald. Reinke moved to approve all the actions on items #29 - #31 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote.**

**Aye:** 10 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Ald. Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

**No:** 0

- 29. [2021-1201](#)** Re-Appointment by Mayor Devine of Douglas Persich to the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement Board of Directors for a three year term to expire October 10, 2024.

**Committee Action:**

**Ald. Vitale moved to approve, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.**

**Council Action:**

**Approved.**

- 30. [2021-1202](#)** Re-Appointment by Mayor Devine of Gloria Hawkins to the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement Board of Directors for a three year term to expire October 10, 2024.

**Committee Action:**

**Ald. Grisham moved to approve, Ald. Vitale seconded, motion carried.**

**Council Action:**

**Approved.**

- 31. [2021-1203](#)** Re-Appointment by Mayor Devine of James Mejchar to the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement Board of Directors for a three year term to expire October 10, 2024.

**Committee Action:**

**Ald. Grisham moved to approve, Ald. Vitale seconded, motion carried.**

**Ald. Grisham moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.**

**Council Action:**

**Approved.**

**Ald. Lajsic moved to approve this matter, motion carried by roll call vote:**

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

**Ald. Lajsic moved to adjourn at 8:16 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.**

**Next scheduled meeting is November 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**



**YouTube Meeting Links for October 19, 2021****Committee of the Whole**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZGaFQSDMWk>**Common Council Part 1**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9yiovPn2Kgw>**Recess - Administration & Finance and Safety & Development**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qNrScB13SRs>**Recess - Public Works, License & Health and Advisory**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mziQhuzsWTI>**Common Council Part 2**[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rd\\_HW3VIC98&t=29s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rd_HW3VIC98&t=29s)

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