

City of West Allis Meeting Minutes

Common Council

Mayor Dan Devine, Chair

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

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

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 7:01 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. Turner.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. <u>2025-1676</u>

Conditional Use Permit for Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design for Academy of Excellence, a proposed School use, at 6021 W. Lincoln Ave. and 2307-53 S. 60th St. (Tax Key No. 490-9001-000 & 490-9002-000).

Steve Schaer, Manager of Planning & Zoning, presented.

The following members of the public spoke regarding the topic:

Kristen Keyser, 8132 W. Raymond Ln.

Amy Deal, 924 S. 105th St.

2. 2025-1992

Public hearing on alcohol license renewal process.

Kail Decker, City Attorney, presented.

E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Bill Coon, 2567 S. 83rd St. and Tasha Cowap, 1443 S. 59th St, spoke regarding the MKE Sports & Social.

Andrew Wehrheim, 1613 S. 75th St, spoke regarding Drunk Uncle. Joe Becker, 1463 S. 96th St., revisited issues with neighbors.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECESS MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Devine recognized the City for winning the Thrive Award with the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties. This award honors communities committed to fostering growth through real estate investments. The Mayor thanked all departments and City staff who were involved. He also mentioned Carrie's Crispies flavor of the month is to help raise awareness for multiple sclerosis (MS). He also reminded people to watch John McGivern's Main Streets on PBS on Thursday, March 20th, at 7 p.m., as it features West Allis.

H. ALDERPERSONS' REPORT

None.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. <u>2025-1937</u> March 4, 2025 Common Council Minutes.

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

J. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

K. ITEMS NOT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (CONSENT AGENDA)

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Haass moved to approve the Consent Agenda, items #4 - #20, Ald. Grisham seconded, 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

4. R-2025-0153

Resolution authorizing the submission of an Unlocking Capital on Main Street Grant Application through the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to support economic development efforts to support small business needs in West Allis.

Adopted

5. Resolution authorizing the submission for the Year 2025 Supplemental Fund for Eligible Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grant through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to assist on West Allis brownfield redevelopment projects.

Adopted

6. Resolution to authorize the Department of Public Works to accept grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

Adopted

7. R-2025-0282 Resolution declaring Community Events.

Adopted

8.	R-2025-0323	Resolution granting a Privilege to Layman Ventures, LLC for property
		located at 6001 W. Madison St. (Tax Key No. 439-0342-000).
		Adopted
9.	R-2025-0326	Resolution granting a Privilege to Naus Brewing LLC for property located at 7508 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 440-0445-000).
		Adopted
10.	R-2025-0327	Resolution granting a Privilege to 9330 W Lincoln S2 LLC for property located at 9330 W. Lincoln Ave. (Tax Key No. 479-0767-001).
		Adopted
11.	R-2025-0328	Resolution granting a Privilege to Audi Properties LLC for property located at 7625-29 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 452-0026-000).
		Adopted
12.	R-2025-0330	Resolution granting a Privilege to VSM Properties LLC for property located at 5810 W. Beloit Rd. & 5807-23 W. Burnham St. (Tax Key No. 455-0095-000).
		Adopted
13.	R-2025-0366	Resolution granting a Privilege to VLC Investments LLC for property located at 7338-46 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 440-0378-000).
		Adopted
14.	R-2025-0368	Resolution to amend Fee Schedule - updating farmers market stall rental pricing.
		Adopted
15.	R-2025-0369	Resolution to approve bid of State Contractors Inc. for traffic calming and pedestrian improvements in W. Becher St. from S. 84th St. to S. 87th St. of West Allis in the amount of \$92,942.64.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee
		Adopted
16.	2025-1833	Temporary Public Entertainment (TEMP-25-2) request for Cream City 5K, hosting a one-day event on April 26th, 2025, from 8:00 a.m 12 p.m., to be held at 2028 S. 124th St. Applicant: Chris Marschka.
		Granted
17.	2025-1834	Finance Director/Comptroller submitting report for February 2025 indicating City of West Allis checks issued in the amount of \$3,902,350.14.
		Placed on File
18.	2025-1988	New application for Pawn Shop, Secondhand Stores, and Secondhand Jewelry Dealers for Wally Horngren, 5915 W. Burnham St. (PNSH-25-1)
		Granted

		Referred to City Attorney
20.	2025-2003	Claim by Lora Lewis for property damage that occurred on March 10th, 2025 at 6525 W. Beloit Rd. #13.
		Referred to City Attorney
19.	2025-1996	Claim by Josiah Hahn for towing fee reimbursement and property damage that occurred on February 13th, 2025 at 2328 S. 78th St.

L. 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 7:50 p.m. and reconvened at 9:23 p.m.

M. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 7:54 p.m.

21. 2025-1990	Discussion on the status of federal grant funding - Community Development Block Grant Funding, Housing Choice Voucher, and HOME funds.
	Discussion Purposes Only

22. Resolution to approve an agreement with Lime to allow short-term commercial rental of electric scooters to the general public.

Committee Action:

Ald. Weigel motioned to adopt using the amended contract, Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

Ald. Weigel moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., Ald. Grob seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted using the amended contract

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 8:07 p.m.

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Roadt moved to approve items #23 - #25, 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

23. O-2025-0028 Ordinance to repeal and recreate provisions related to public health,

sanitation, and animals.

Sponsors: Alderperson Grisham and Alderperson Kuehn

Committee Action:

Ald. Grisham motioned to hold until April 15th, 2025 meeting, Ald. Halvorsen

seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Held until April 15th, 2025 meeting

24. O-2025-0029 Ordinance to delay effective date of mandatory lead service lateral

replacement.

Sponsors: Alderperson Roadt

Committee Action:

Ald. Grisham motioned to pass, Ald. Haass seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Passed

25. Resolution to approve a partnership with Milwaukee Sports and Social for

use of space at Liberty Heights Park for various sport leagues.

Committee Action:

Ald. Haass motioned to adopt, granting the City Attorney the ability to draft the terms of the contract on a one year term, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 8:36 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion

carried.

Council Action: Adopted as amended

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 8:14 p.m.

30. 2025-1676 Conditional Use Permit for Site, Landscaping, and Architectural Design for

Academy of Excellence, a proposed School use, at 6021 W. Lincoln Ave. and 2307-53 S. 60th St. (Tax Key No. 490-9001-000 & 490-9002-000).

Committee Action:

Ald. Nowling moved to grant with the amendment of conducting a traffic study to be done with the approval of the City Engineer, Ald. Nowling seconded, motion

carried.

Council Action: Grant as amended with one no from Ald. Novak

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Kuehn moved to approve items #26 - #29, 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

26. O-2023-0011 Ordinance to Amend Section 19.01 of the West Allis Revised Municipal

Code, relative to rezoning 6604-20 W. Mitchell St. from I-1 to C-3.

Sponsors: Economic Development Committee

Committee Action:

Ald. Weigel moved to pass, Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Passed

27. R-2025-0152 Resolution approving an amendment to the Non-Exclusive Parking Lot

Lease Agreement by and between the City of West Allis and The Deco Venues, LLC., which is the owner of the property located at 7546 W.

Greenfield Ave., for parking in the City-Owned parking lots located at 7525

W. Greenfield Ave. and 14** S. 75 St.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

28. Resolution to approve the terms & conditions for an Economic

Development Loan to Ope Brewing Company LLC, located at 6751 W. National Ave., in the amount of up to \$150,000 under the Capital Catalyst

Loan Program.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

29. Resolution to approve the terms & conditions for an Economic

Development Loan to Bars and Recreation Inc., d/b/a SSBMKE, Inc.,

located at 6325 W. National Ave., in the amount of \$50,000.

Committee Action:

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

Ald. Novak moved to adjourn at 8:37 p.m., Ald. Weigel seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Committee convened at 8:37 p.m.

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Grisham moved to approve items #31 - #37, 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

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31 . <u>2025-1636</u>	New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Joseph Fiumefreddo. (BART-1404)
	Committee Action: Ald. Haass moved to grant, Ald. Roadt seconded, motion carried.
	Council Action: Granted
32 . <u>2025-1767</u>	New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Moises Martinez. (BART-1408)
	Committee Action: Ald. Halvorsen moved to grant, Ald. Turner seconded, motion carried.
	Council Action: Granted
33 . <u>2025-1998</u>	New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Melissa Soares. (BART-1417)
	Committee Action: Ald. Haass moved to deny based on background check and failure to appear, Ald. Turner seconded, motion carried.
	Council Action: Denied
34. 2025-1994	Notification of intention not to renew certain retail alcohol licenses and provide licensees with an opportunity for a hearing.
	Indebtedness to wholesaler - Wis. Stat. 125.33(7)(b) and 125.69(4)(b)) Class A - Cleveland Liquor LLC, DBA Cleveland Liquor, 9131 W. Cleveland Ave.,
	Class A - Taj & Navi Corporation, DBA One Stop West Allis Food & Liquor, 5909 W. Lincoln Ave. Class B - Jagers LLC, DBA Da Bar, 1900 S. 60th St.
	Failure to submit proof of seller's permit - Wis. Stat. 125.04(5)(a)4.
	Class B - Steffek LLC, DBA The Drunk Uncle, 1902 S. 68th St.
	Committee Actoin: Ald. Haass moved to approve sending of non-renewal notices to Class B license holders Jagers LLC and Steffek LLC, Ald. Turner seconded, motion carried.
	Council Action:

Approved

35. O-2025-0028 Ordinance to repeal and recreate provisions related to public health,

sanitation, and animals.

Sponsors: Alderperson Grisham and Alderperson Kuehn

Committee Action:

Ald. Roadt moved to hold until April 15th, 2025 meeting, Ald. Turner seconded,

motion carried.

Council Action:

Held until April 15th, 2025 meeting

36. Resolution in support of legislative bills that allow immediate impoundment

of vehicles used for reckless driving.

Sponsors: Alderperson Haass

Committee Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt, Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion carried.

Council Action:

Adopted

37. Resolution to approve shared services review study evaluating the possible

creation of a joint fire department with the City of Wauwatosa.

Committee Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt, Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion carried.

Council Action:

Adopted

38. <u>2025-2000</u> West Allis Senior Center Age Friendly Data presentation.

Shannon Byrne, Senior Center Coordinator, presented.

39. 2025-2001 Southwest Suburban Health Department update.

Bob Leischow, Health Commissioner/City Sealer, presented.

Discussion Purposes Only

N. ADJOURNMENT

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 9:29 p.m., Ald. Kuehn seconded, motion carried.

Next scheduled meeting is April 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.



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