



City of West Allis

Meeting Minutes

Common Council

Mayor Dan Devine, Chair

Alderson Thomas G. Lajsic, Council President

Aldersons: 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

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

7:00 PM

City Hall, Common Council Chambers
7525 W. Greenfield Avenue

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. ROLL CALL

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

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ald. Stefanski led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. [R-2022-0016](#) Resolution to confirm and adopt the report of the City Engineer containing the schedule of proposed assessments for improvement of W. Lincoln Ave. from S. 91st St. to S. 93rd St. by concrete reconstruction with miscellaneous sidewalk repair, miscellaneous driveway repair, storm sewer, storm sewer relay, sanitary sewer relay, water main relay, building services and utility adjustments.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

City Engineer Peter Daniels presented information on the schedule of proposed assessments.

Adopt

2. [R-2022-0036](#) Resolution to consider an amendment to the FY2016-FY2021 Community Development Block Grant Action Plans, relative to allocating \$30,000 of contingency funding to the FY2021 Community Development Block Grant Annual Plan for the creation of a new Blight Clearance and Demolition activity.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Planning and Zoning Manager Steve Schaer presented information on the Community Development Block Grant amendment.

E. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

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

None.

H. ALDERPERSON'S REPORT

Ald. Stefanski thanked everyone for the beautiful flowers and their condolences.

Ald. Tenorio announced Kegel's Inn is hosting the events at Liberty Heights on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30p.m. to 6:30p.m.until March 3, 2022.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3. [2022-0212](#) January 11, 2022 Draft Common Council Minutes.

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

J. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

K. ITEMS NOT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (CONSENT AGENDA)

Passed The Consent Vote

Ald. Lajsic moved to approve all the actions on items #4 - #19 on a consent vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

- 4. [R-2022-0058](#) Resolution authorizing the Manager of Planning and Zoning to enter into a professional services agreement with Community Planning and Development Advisors, LLC.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Adopted

5. [R-2022-0059](#) Resolution accepting work of LaLonde Contractors, Inc. for street construction in S. 94th St. from W. Greenfield Ave. to W. Orchard Street, S. 96th St. from W. Greenfield Ave. to W. Lapham St. and S. 97th St. from W. Greenfield Ave. to W. Lapham St. and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2020 Project No. 8 for final payment in the amount of \$600.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

6. [R-2022-0060](#) Resolution accepting work of LaLonde Contractors, Inc. for street construction in W. Lakefield Ave. from E/O S. 119th St. to S. 122nd St. and W. Euclid Ave. from S. 119th St. to S. Villa Ct. and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2020 Project No. 5 for final payment in the amount of \$500.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

7. [R-2022-0061](#) Resolution accepting work of LaLonde Contractors, Inc. for street construction in S. 58th St. from W. Beloit Rd. to W. Mobile St. and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2020 Project No. 4 for final payment in the amount of \$100.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

8. [R-2022-0062](#) Resolution accepting work of LaLonde Contractors, Inc. for street construction in W. Grant St. from S. 60th St. to W. Beloit Rd. and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2020 Project No. 1 for final payment in the amount of \$250.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

9. [R-2022-0063](#) Resolution accepting work of Visu-Sewer, Inc. for sanitary sewer lining, spot lining and grouting in various locations and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2020 Project No. 1 for final payment in the amount of \$7,801.48.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Adopted

10. [R-2022-0067](#) Resolution relating to authorizing the execution of a contract with American Fidelity for Stop Loss Coverage for the plan year from March 1, 2022, to February 28, 2023.

Adopted

11. [R-2022-0069](#) Resolution relative to extending our contract with CliftonLarsonAllen, (Previously DBA Schenck, SC) to provide Financial Auditing Services, for the year ending December 31, 2021, for a sum of \$55,700.
- Sponsors:** Alderperson Haass
- Adopted**
12. [R-2022-0088](#) Resolution to accept the proposals of various nurseries for furnishing and delivering 612 trees for spring planting for a total net sum of \$57,055 and 7,963 annual flowers at \$5,375.50.
- Sponsors:** Public Works Committee
- Adopted**
13. [2022-0213](#) Communication from Assistant Fire Chief requesting approval to accept a Bureau of Justice (BJA) Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP) Grant.
- Placed on File**
14. [2022-0100](#) New application for secondhand article dealer for Gustavo Lorenzo d/b/a Segunda Thrift Store, 7419 W. Becher Street.
- Approved**
15. [2022-0104](#) Finance Director/Comptroller submitting report for December 2021 indicating City of West Allis checks issued in the amount of \$3,323,332.11.
- Placed on File**
16. [2022-0105](#) December 2021 Municipal Judge Report, consisting of all fines, costs and fees collected by the City of West Allis in the sum of \$64,486.92 .
- Placed on File**
17. [2022-0111](#) Claim by John Huber, Jr., Karen Bloom, and John Huber, Jr. as personal representative of Estate of Anthony Huber, regarding multiple state law claims against the City of West Allis and as yet unknown employees or former employees of the West Allis Police Department who were involved in the events resulting in Anthony Huber's death on August 25, 2020.
- Referred to City Attorney**
18. [2022-0112](#) Claim by Sarandos LLC for excessive assessment for parcel 450-9953-001, 9633 W. Greenfield Avenue.
- Referred to City Attorney**
19. [2022-0113](#) Claim by Sarandos LLC for excessive assessment for parcel 450-9951-001, 9617 W. Greenfield Avenue.
- Referred to City Attorney**

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 7:18 p.m. and returned at 8:33 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

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Haass moved to approve all the actions on items #20 - #23, #25 and #27 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

- 20. [R-2022-0036](#) Resolution to consider an amendment to the FY2016-FY2021 Community Development Block Grant Action Plans, relative to allocating \$30,000 of contingency funding to the FY2021 Community Development Block Grant Annual Plan for the creation of a new Blight Clearance and Demolition activity.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

- 21. [O-2022-0036](#) Ordinance to amend the City of West Allis salary schedule relating to temporary labor market adjustments for certain positions in the Department of Public Works.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

22. [R-2022-0085](#) Resolution to amend Policy No. 1424 relating to a temporary market adjustment to the Incentive Refuse Task Rate.
- Sponsors:** Alderperson Haass
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, Ald. Tenorio seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Adopted**
23. [R-2022-0039](#) Resolution approving the terms and conditions for an Economic Development Loan to National Properties LLC, located at 9242 W. National Avenue, under the National Avenue Commercial Corridor InStore Forgivable Loan Program in an amount up to \$50,000.
- Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, Ald. Tenorio seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Adopted**
25. [R-2022-0052](#) Grant application for \$250,000 from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Community Development Investment Grant Program for Walter Holtz for the redevelopment of the property located at 7140 W. Greenfield Avenue.
- Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Weigel moved to adopt, Ald. Tenorio seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Adopted**
27. [R-2022-0056](#) Resolution approving the terms and conditions for an Economic Development Forgivable Loan to Rupena's Fine Foods, located at 7641 W. Beloit Road, in the amount not to exceed \$100,000 funded with CDBG-CV2 funds.
- Sponsors:** Administration and Finance Committee
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Lajsic moved to adopt, Ald. Kuehn seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Adopted**

24. [R-2022-0042](#) Resolution approving the terms and conditions for an Economic Development Loan to Mike 7, LLC d/b/a 4th-N-Long, located at 8911 W. National Avenue, under the National Avenue Commercial Corridor InStore Forgivable Loan Program in an amount up to \$58,500.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

No: 1 - Roadt

26. [R-2022-0053](#) Resolution approving the terms and conditions for an Economic Development Forgivable Loan to Lincoln Hospitality Group, LLC, the Holiday Inn Express & Suites, located at 10111 W. Lincoln Avenue, in the amount not to exceed \$120,000 funded with CDBG-CV2 funds.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Grisham, Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

No: 2 - Roadt, and Stefanski

28. [R-2022-0075](#) Resolution to consider funding \$52,585 in small business assistance grants fund with CDBG-CV grant funds.

Sponsors: Administration and Finance Committee

Committee Action:

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

Committee Action:

Recess meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Council Action:

Ald. Haass moved to adopt, motion carried by roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Haass, Kuehn, Lajsic, Reinke, Roadt, Stefanski, Tenorio, Vitale, and Weigel

No: 0

Abstain: 1 - Grisham

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**Passed The Block Vote**

Ald. Roadt moved to approve all the actions on items #29 - #36 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

29. [R-2022-0016](#) Resolution to confirm and adopt the report of the City Engineer containing the schedule of proposed assessments for improvement of W. Lincoln Ave. from S. 91st St. to S. 93rd St. by concrete reconstruction with miscellaneous sidewalk repair, miscellaneous driveway repair, storm sewer, storm sewer relay, sanitary sewer relay, water main relay, building services and utility adjustments.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

30. [R-2022-0017](#) Final Resolution authorizing public improvement by concrete reconstruction with miscellaneous sidewalk repair, miscellaneous driveway repair, storm sewer, storm sewer relay, sanitary sewer relay, water main relay, building services and utility adjustments in W. Lincoln Ave. from S. 91st St. to S. 93rd St. and levying special assessments against benefited properties.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

31. [R-2022-0057](#) Resolution relative to the Notice of Hearing for the vacation and discontinuance of a portion of public right of way north of W. National Ave. and southwest of S. Waukesha Rd. requested by David Schneck and Joan Sternweis.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Committee Action:

Ald. Vitale moved to adopt, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Adopted

32. [R-2022-0068](#) Resolution to authorize the purchase of WINCAN Software Lease for a sum of \$15,695.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

33. [R-2022-0021](#) Resolution to facilitate the purchase of 420 96-gallon and 200 64-gallon garbage carts in the amount of \$34,662.40 to support the 2022 Quality of Life Focus Initiative for the standardization of garbage carts for one, two, three family residential dwelling units.

Sponsors: Public Works Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

34. [2022-0156](#) Status of the Mayor's initiative for standardizing refuse carts.

Committee Action: Place on File

Council Action: Placed on File

Ald. Stefanski moved to recess at 7:33 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Committee reconvened at 7:58 p.m. to discuss item #35.

35. [2022-0157](#) Status of Garbage and Recycling Pilot Program.

Committee Action: Place on File

Committee Action:

Ald. Stefanski moved to adjourn at 8:17 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Placed on File

SAFETY & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

36. [R-2022-0090](#) Resolution seeking enhanced legislation and enforcement on firework distributors.

Sponsors: Safety and Development Committee

Committee Action:

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

Council Action:

Ald. Lajsic moved to approve item #36 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

LICENSE & HEALTH COMMITTEE

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Vitale moved to approve all the actions on items #37 - #44 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

37. [2021-0485](#) Notice of Non-Renewal of the Class B Liquor & Malt Licenses for R&K Entertainment Enterprises, LLC, d/b/a Slurp-N-Burp Fun Bar, Robert Lucas, Agent at 1454 S. 92 St.

Committee Action:

Ald. Grisham moved to hold this item pending license surrender by Monday, February 14, 2022, Ald. Reinke seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Held

38. [2022-0122](#) New Class B Tavern License and Public Entertainment Premise Permit for EKC Investments, d/b/a Kane's Bar & Grill, 6922 W. Orchard Street, West Allis, WI 53214; Agent: Edward Jones. Public Entertainment Premise Permit to include juke box, DJ, bands, karaoke, patrons dancing, instrumental music, concerts, pool tables and amusement machines.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Approved

39. [2022-0026](#) 2021-2023 New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Angela Crisci.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Roadt moved to deny due to the second non-appearance, Ald. Stefnaski seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Denied**
40. [2022-0052](#) 2021-2023 New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Adrian Rodriguez.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Stefanski moved to deny due to the second non-appearance, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Denied**
41. [2022-0173](#) 2021-2023 New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Zakery VanderLinden.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Grisham moved to hold to the next meeting per applicant's request, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Held**
42. [2022-0174](#) 2021-2023 New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for Shawn Murphy.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Vitale moved to deny due to the circumstances of the offense(s) substantially relate to the operation of a licensed premise because the conduct demonstrates irresponsible or illegal use of alcohol and/or drugs and/or noncompliance with licensing rules and regulations, Ald. Reinke seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Denied**
43. [2022-0101](#) December 2021 Police Department tavern violations/calls for service report.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Stefanski moved to Place on File, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Placed on File**
44. [2022-0184](#) Communication regarding environmental nuisance prevention & control efforts.
- Committee Action:**
Ald. Stefanski moved to Place on File, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.
- Ald. Stefanski moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.
- Council Action: Placed on File**

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Passed The Block Vote

Ald. Reinke moved to approve all the actions on items #45 - #48 on a block vote, motion carried by roll call vote:

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

No: 0

45. [R-2022-0012](#) Resolution establishing polling places for elections.

Committee Action:

Ald. Grisham moved to hold this item, Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Held

46. [R-2022-0081](#) Resolution urging the Wisconsin State Legislature to reject Assembly Bill 610, which shifts tax burdens to homeowners to the benefit of commercial property owners.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Adopted

47. [2022-0192](#) Re-Appointment by Mayor Devine of himself, Ald. Weigel and Administrator/Clerk Rebecca Grill to the Tourism Commission with a two-year term to expire February 1, 2024.

Committee Action:

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

Council Action: Approved

48. [2022-0196](#) Re-Appointment by Mayor Devine of Robin Kidd, Mary Johnson, Judy Hutto and Christina Lund to the Public Beautification Committee with a two-year term to expire February 1, 2024.

Committee Action:

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

Committee Action:

Ald. Grisham moved to adjourn at 8:29 p.m., Ald. Stefanski seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Approved

N. ADJOURNMENT

Ald. Lajsic moved to adjourn at 8:47 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Next scheduled meeting is February 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

YouTube Meeting Links for February 1, 2022:

Common Council Part 1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u3AQp_c-570

Recess - Administration & Finance / Safety & Development

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U_9IFVTnnug

Recess - License & Health, Public Works & Advisory

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

Common Council Part 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2lrBDwWkwZ0>



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It is the policy of the City of West Allis to provide language access services to populations of persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) who are eligible to be served or likely to be directly affected by our programs. Such services will be focused on providing meaningful access to our programs, services and/or benefits.