

# 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, August 12, 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 7:00 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. Nowling.

#### D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

**1.** 2025-4700 Special Event Permit and Zoning exception request for Novak Manor, a proposed temporary event space, located at 9730 W. Montana Ave.

Steve Schaer, Manager of Planning & Zoning, presented.

The following individuals spoke regarding Novak Manor:

- Mary Trudell, 9800 W. Montana Ave.
- Adam Novak, 9730 W. Montana Ave.
- Peggy Hertel, 9814 W. Montana Ave.
- 2. 2025-4842 Conditional Use Permit for The Butcher's Word, a proposed Food

Production Use, at 1320 S. 108th St.

Steve Schaer, Manager of Planning & Zoning, presented.

#### **E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The following individuals spoke regarding various issue related to the recent flooding in West Allis:

- Christine Crubel. 2126 S. 80th St.
- Michelle Stubley, 2212 S. 82nd St.
- Katie Fink, 2342 S. 82nd St.
- Melanie Vasquez, 2349 S. 81st St.
- Marie Carlson, 2445 S. 82nd St.
- Michelle Suttinen. 98th & Washington
- Steve Chula, 2220 S. 82nd St.
- Julia Luna, 2038 S. 83rd St.
- Chavvone Carlson, 2445 S. 82nd St.

Chris McClean, 1729 N. 55th St., spoke regarding the Vainglorious Lion Lounge, 7534 Beloit Rd.

## F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RECESS MEETINGS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

New and Previous Matters referred to Committees may be considered and acted upon by Committees during the Common Council recess. Unless otherwise announced during the meeting, the Standing Committees of the Common Council will meet during recess in the following rooms and in the following order:

Art Gallery - Administration & Economic Development

Room 128 - Public Safety & Public Works

The general public may contact the Committee Chair relative to an agenda item of interest that could be discussed or acted on during the recess meetings simultaneously occurring in different conference rooms. Additionally, if a member has interest in multiple agenda items which are scheduled for discussion or action during the recess meetings simultaneously occurring, they should contact the chair of the committee to inform of such interest.

## G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Devine thanked City staff for their help during the recent flood emergency, including the following departments: Public Works, Fire, Police, and Code Enforcement. He also briefly explained the City's emergency services and asked for patience from the community.

#### H. ALDERPERSONS' REPORT

Ald. Nowling expressed sympathy to those affected by the recent flood emergency, thanked City and County staff, provided an overview of relief actions taken so far, and asked the community to support those in need.

Ald. Novak expressed sympathy to those affected by the recent flood emergency and asked those in need to reach out.

# I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**3.** 2025-5118 July 15, 2025 Common Council Minutes.

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

#### J. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

## K. ITEMS NOT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE (CONSENT AGENDA)

**6.** O-2025-0071 Ordinance to establish one-way traffic on the 1400-1600 Blocks of South

62nd Street and South 63rd Street.

**Sponsors:** Alderperson Grob and Alderperson Turner

Ald. Haass motioned to move item #6 to Public Safety Committee, motion carried unanimously.

Committee Action: Ald. Haass motioned to pass item #6, Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action: Passed** 

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

Ald. Haass moved to approve the Consent Agenda, items #4 - #5 & #7 - #44, 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. O-2025-0067

Ordinance to amend salary schedule by reclassifying various public health and non-sworn police administrative positions; deleting obsolete titles; retitling the custodian/janitor position; and creating the principal support specialist and lead janitor classifications.

**Sponsors:** Alderperson Weigel

**Passed** 

**5**. <u>O-2025-0069</u>

Ordinance to update licensing and tax refund interception provisions and adopt state littering law.

**Sponsors:** Alderperson Haass

**Passed** 

7. R-2025-2791

Resolution accepting work of Cudahy Roofing & Supply, Inc. for WAPD Roof Replacement in the City of West Allis and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2023 Project No. 14 for final payment in the amount of \$2,694.

**Adopted** 

8. R-2025-2792

Resolution relating to revisions to Policy P315 for compensation step placement, salary adjustments, and pay administration.

Adopted

9.	R-2025-2793	Resolution relating to revisions to Policy 302 for position administration and consolidation of Policy 1416 for job description management.
		Adopted
10.	R-2025-2794	Resolution accepting the work of Pro Electric, Inc. for street lighting conversion and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2024 Project No. 17 for final payment in the amount of \$1,000.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee
		Adopted
11.	R-2025-2795	Resolution granting a Privilege to Chilango Express Property LLC for property located at 7030-32 W. Lincoln Ave. (Tax Key No. 476-0505-000).
		Adopted
12.	R-2025-2796	Resolution granting a Privilege to Joseph H Medinger for property located at 9513-25 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 450-0045-002).
		Adopted
13.	R-2025-2797	Resolution granting a Privilege to Audi Properties LLC for property located at 9536-38 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 443-0213-001).
		Adopted
14.	R-2025-2798	Resolution granting a Privilege to SRN Real Estate, LLC for property located at 932 S. 60th St. (Tax Key No. 438-1300-001).
		Adopted
15.	R-2025-2799	Resolution granting a Privilege to Dale & Gabrielle Chaney for property located at 8330 W. Becher St. (Tax Key No. 477-0401-000).
		Adopted
16.	R-2025-2800	Resolution granting a Privilege to Timber Holdings LLC for property located at 7412 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 440-9003-000).
		Adopted
17.	R-2025-2801	Resolution granting a Privilege to 7909 Greenfield LLC for property located at 7909-13 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 452-0176-001).
		Adopted
18.	R-2025-2803	Resolution accepting the work of State Contractors, Inc. for sidewalk repair and authorizing and directing settlement of said contract in accordance with contract terms of 2024 Project No. 1 for final payment in the amount of \$1,000.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee

19.	R-2025-2806	Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of up to \$169,969 taxable general obligation water system promissory notes, Series 2025, and providing for other details and covenants with respect thereto.
		Adopted
20.	R-2025-2807	Resolution granting a Privilege to 7328 Greenfield LLC for property located at 7326-30 W. Greenfield Ave. (Tax Key No. 440-0380-000).
		Adopted
21.	R-2025-2808	Resolution authorizing the purchase of one 2026 Volvo L70H2 Wheel Loader from Aring Equipment Company for a sum of \$234,180.
		Adopted
22.	R-2025-2809	Resolution to accept the proposals of Truck Country of Wisconsin and MacQueen Equipment for furnishing and delivering one 2026 Autocar ACX64 Refuse Truck Chassis for \$223,653 and one 2026 McNeilus Model 2016 REL 20 Yard Refuse Packer Body with Snowplow Package for \$217,632 for a total sum of \$441,285.
		Adopted
23.	R-2025-2810	Resolution to accept the proposal of Universal Truck Equipment for furnishing and delivering two (2) Universal CST Pin & Loop 11 Foot Heavy Truck Snowplow's for \$15,136 each, and with an estimated total shipping/delivery cost of \$2,000 for a total net sum of \$32,272.
		Adopted
24.	R-2025-2811	Resolution to amend an existing contract with Single Source, Inc. for Real Estate Consulting Services related to the WisDOT project on West National Avenue for an amount not to exceed \$160,000.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee
		Adopted
25.	R-2025-2812	Resolution authorizing the execution of the Department of Natural Resources principal forgiven financial assistance agreement for the replacement of lead service lines.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee
		Adopted
26.	R-2025-2813	Resolution authorizing the execution of the Department of Natural Resources partial principal forgiven financial assistance agreement for the replacement of lead service lines.
	Sponsors:	Public Works Committee

<b>27</b> . R-2025-28	Resolution to approve a Commercial Façade Improvement Project Contract by and between the City of West Allis and Jagpal Waraich, owner of the property located at 6841 - 6843 W. Beloit Rd., in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.
	Adopted
<b>28</b> . <u>R-2025-28</u>	Resolution to approve a Certified Survey Map to split the existing parcel at 1405 S. 92nd St. into two parcels (Tax Key No. 450-0502-000).
	Adopted
<b>29</b> . <u>2025-4786</u>	Claim by WE Energies regarding property damage at 385 S. Sunny Slope Rd. on October 8th, 2023.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>30</b> . <u>2025-4787</u>	Claim by Allen Sajdowitz regarding property damage at S. 84th St. and W. National Ave. on July 8th, 2025.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>31</b> . <u>2025-4843</u>	Claim by Jennifer Boehnen regarding property damage at S. 93rd St. and W. Lincoln Ave. on June 13th, 2025.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>32</b> . <u>2025-4977</u>	Claim by Dakota Przybyla regarding property damage at 2601 S. 99th St. on June 9th, 2025.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>33</b> . <u>2025-4978</u>	Claim by Doris Wielgus regarding property damage at 2604 S. 83rd St.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>34</b> . <u>2025-4979</u>	Claim by Schaff Funeral Home regarding property damage at 5920 W. Lincoln Ave. on June 4th, 2025.
	Referred to City Attorney
<b>35.</b> <u>2025-4862</u>	Reappointment by Mayor Devine of Wayne Clark to the West Allis Administrative Appeals Review Board with a 2-year term to expire August 12, 2027.
	Approved
<b>36</b> . <u>2025-5076</u>	Reappointment by Mayor Devine of Jody Rymaszewski to the West Allis Library Board with a three-year term to expire August 12, 2028.
	Approved
<b>37</b> . <u>2025-4841</u>	Special Event & Temporary Extension of a Class B premise request for The Network Bar, hosting a one-day event on September 13th, 2025, from 11:00 a.m 10:00 p.m., to be held at 9541 W. Cleveland Ave. (SPEV-25-48 & TEMP-25-19) Applicant: Jacob Silber
	Granted

<b>38</b> . <u>2025-4980</u>	Temporary Extension of a Class B License and Temporary Public Entertainment request for West Allis Cheese & Sausage Shoppe, hosting a one-day event on October 5, 2024 from 10 a.m 10 p.m., to be held at 6832 W. Becher St. Applicant: Mark Lutz. (TEMP-25-21)
	Granted
<b>39.</b> <u>2025-4981</u>	Class B Beer License Renewal Application for St. Barnabas Congregation (St. Augustine Site), located at 6753 W. Rogers St.
	Granted
<b>40</b> . <u>2025-5009</u>	Finance Director/Comptroller submitting report for July 2025 indicating City of West Allis checks issued in the amount of \$7,029,575.82.
	Placed on File
<b>41</b> . <u>2025-5087</u>	New application for Pawn Shop, Secondhand Stores, and Secondhand Jewelry Dealers for Betsy (Mary) Peckenpaugh, 1306 S. 108th St. (PNSH-25-4)
	Granted
<b>42</b> . <u>2025-5121</u>	Special Event, Temporary Public Entertainment & Temporary Extension of a Class B License request for Fourth-N-Long, hosting a one-day event on September 14th, 2025 from 12 p.m 9 p.m., to be held at 8911 W. National Ave. Applicant: Michael Lange (SPEV-25-58)
	Granted
<b>43</b> . <u>2025-5122</u>	Special Event, Temporary Public Entertainment & Temporary Extension of a Class B License request for Fourth-N-Long, hosting a one-day event on September 6th, 2025 from 10:30 a.m 7 p.m., to be held at 8911 W. National Ave. Applicant: Michael Lange (TEMP-25-22)
	Granted
<b>44</b> . <u>2025-5124</u>	Reappointment by Mayor Devine of Ald. Roadt and Ald. Weigel to the Capital Improvement Committee for a 1-year term to expire August 12, 2026.
	Approved

# L. COMMON COUNCIL RECESS

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

The Council recessed at 7:36 p.m. and reconvened at 10:03 p.m.

# M. NEW AND PREVIOUS MATTERS

# **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

Committee convened at 9:45 p.m.

**45.** 2025-5150 Appointment of Amy Grau for the position of Marketing Director.

**Committee Action:** 

Ald. Kuehn moved to approve, Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action: Approved** 

**46.** Resolution to approve an employment contract with Amy Grau for the

position of Marketing Director.

**Committee Action:** 

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

Ald. Kuehn moved to adjourn at 9:55 p.m., Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action: Adopted** 

#### **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Committee convened at 9:11 p.m.

See Section K. for Committee & Council Action regarding item #6.

Ald. Grisham moved to adjourn at 9:14 p.m., Ald. Haass seconded, motion carried.

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Committee convened at 8:27 p.m.

**47.** 2025-4957 New (non-existing) Class A Beer License for 72 Mini Market DBA Citgo,

7202 W. Lincoln Ave. Agent: Juan Loria. (ALC-25-24)

**Committee Action:** 

Ald. Weigel moved to grant with removal of the public entertainment license,

Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.

Council Action: Granted as amended with one no from Ald. Roadt

## **Passed The Block Vote**

Ald. Kuehn moved to approve items #48 - #54, 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

**48.** 2025-4962 New (existing) Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment License for Jhay

LLC, d/b/a Shamrox, 6851 W. Beloit Rd. Agent: Jodie Hay. (ALC-25-26)

Committee Action:

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

**Council Action: Granted** 

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49.	<u>2025-4964</u>	New (existing) Class B Tavern for West Allis FP LLC, d/b/a Fat Patty's, 2865 S. 108th St. Agent: Lisa McIntyre. (ALC-25-27)
		Committee Action: Ald. Weigel moved to grant, Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried.
		Council Action: Granted
50.	2025-5008	New (existing) Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment License for U.BAR LLC, d/b/a U-Bar, 5732 W. Mitchell St. Agent: Josephine Crossley. (ALC-25-28)
		Committee Action: Ald. Novak moved to grant, Ald. Grob seconded, motion carried.
		Council Action: Granted
51.	2025-4961	New (existing) Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment License for Kreush LLC, d/b/a The Boozy Broad, 1902 S. 68th St. Agent: April Kreush. (ALC-25-25)
		Committee Action: Ald. Weigel moved to deny due to lack of management experience, past violations of Ch. 125, lack of business plan, and no valid seller's permit for premise, Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried.
		Council Action: Denied
52.	2025-4700	Special Event Permit and Zoning exception request for Novak Manor, a proposed temporary event space, located at 9730 W. Montana Ave.
		Committee Action: Ald. Weigel moved to grant, Ald. Nowling seconded. Ald. Novak abstained, motion carried.
		Council Action: Granted, Ald. Novak abstained.
53.	2025-4842	Conditional Use Permit for The Butcher's Word, a proposed Food Production Use, at 1320 S. 108th St.
		Committee Action: Ald. Weigel moved to grant, Ald. Novak seconded, motion carried.
		Council Action: Granted
54.	<u>2025-5108</u>	Discussion to Amend the West Allis Municipal Code, relative to Residential Accessory Buildings' building coverage maximum and also relative to Recovery Residence uses.
		Discussion Purposes Only
		Ald. Weigel moved to adjourn at 9:45 p.m., Ald. Nowling seconded, motion carried.

# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Committee convened at 8:22 p.m.

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

Ald. Grisham moved to approve items #55 - #59, 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

**55.** <u>2025-5010</u> New Operator's License (Bartender/Class D Operator) application for

Brianna Ross-Johnson. (BART-1558)

**Committee Action:** 

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

**Council Action: Granted** 

**56.** 2025-4356 Renewal application of a Class B Tavern and Public Entertainment License

for Manny's Bourbon Bar & Grill, 6300 W. Lincoln Ave. (Agent: Deisy

Godoy).

**Committee Action:** 

Ald. Haass motioned to have the City Attorney's office draft a summons & complaint to revoke the Class B Tavern license unless distributor debt is paid, and allow the agent time to resolve her background issues, Ald. Halvorsen

seconded, motion carried.

**Council Action:** 

Ald. Grisham motioned to hold the item until the call of the PSC chair, or 6 months (whatever is sooner), allowing time for the applicant to resolve any debt

and issues with background check, motion carried unanimously.

**57.** 2025-5119 Opioid Settlement Fund Workplan.

Bob Leishchow, Health Commissioner, and Nick Maniaci, Public Health

Specialist, presented.

**58.** O-2025-0065 Ordinance creating alternative means of disposal for abandoned property.

**Sponsors:** Alderperson Roadt

**Committee Action:** 

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

**Council Action: Passed** 

**59.** Resolution to extend an emergency declaration in the City due to the

extreme flooding beginning on August 9, 2025.

<u>Sponsors:</u> Alderperson Haass

**Committee Action:** 

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

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 9:11 p.m., Ald. Halvorsen seconded, motion

carried.

**Council Action: Adopted** 

#### N. ADJOURNMENT

Ald. Haass moved to adjourn at 10:16 p.m., Ald. Grisham seconded, motion carried.

Next scheduled meeting is September 2nd, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.



All meetings of the Common Council are public meetings. In order for the general public to make comments at the committee meetings, the individual(s) must be scheduled (as an appearance) with the chair of the committee or the appropriate staff contact; otherwise, the meeting of the committee is a working session for the committee itself, and discussion by those in attendance is limited to committee members, the mayor, other alderpersons, staff and others that may be a party to the matter being discussed.

## NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The City of West Allis does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, religion, age, marital or veterans' status, sex, national origin, disability or any other legally protected status in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its services, programs or activities.

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE**

Upon reasonable notice the City will furnish appropriate auxiliary aids and services when necessary to afford individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in and to enjoy the benefits of a service, program or activity provided by the City.

#### LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY STATEMENT

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.