

City of Milwaukee

City Hall 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

ZONING, NEIGHBORHOODS & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ALD. ROBERT J. BAUMAN CHAIR
Ald. Russell W. Stamper, II, Vice-Chair
Ald. Milele A. Coggs, Ald. DiAndre Jackson, and Ald. Scott P.
Spiker

Staff Assistant, Chris Lee, 414-286-2232 Fax: 414-286-3456, clee@milwaukee.gov Legislative Liaison, Jeffrey Osterman, 414-286-2262, joster@milwaukee.gov

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened at 9:05 a.m.

Present 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, Jackson, Spiker

1. <u>250735</u>

Resolution authorizing the sale and approving a land Disposition Report of the City-owned tax deed property at 2414-2416 West Hopkins Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

Rosita Ross, Dept. of City Development Sidney Fumbanks, buyer

This resolution authorizes the sale of City-owned Property at 2414-2416 West Hopkins Street according to the conditions in a Land Disposition Report. The buyer proposes to utilize the vacant lot for green space.

Ald. Coggs was in support.

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

2. 251005

Resolution authorizing the sale of the City-owned tax-deed property at 401 Adjacent East Nash Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

Rosita Ross, Dept. of City Development

Jitendra Raichura, buyer

This resolution authorizes the sale of City-owned Development Property according to the conditions in a Land Disposition Report. The buyer promises to combine the remnant parcel with their property to improve their overall facility and parking.

Ald. Coggs had no objections.

A motion was made by ALD. COGGS that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

3. 240370

A substitute ordinance relating to shoreland-wetland and floodplain zoning regulations.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Stamper moved substitution of the file with Proposed Substitute A. (Prevailed 4-0)

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Ordinance be SUBSTITUTED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

240370

A substitute ordinance relating to shoreland-wetland and floodplain zoning regulations.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

The file was substituted with Proposed Substitute A and relabeled as Substitute 2.

Appearing:

Ed Richardson, Dept. of City Development

This ordinance makes various revisions to the city's shoreland-wetland and floodplain zoning regulations to bring the city's code of ordinance into compliance with current state regulations.

Ald. Stamper requested for data on the percentage of floodplain area within the City.

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

4. 250897

Communication from the Department of Neighborhood Services relating to the development of a plan to address vacant City lots.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

Sam Leichtling, Dept. of City Development Kari Smith, Dept. of City Development Larry Kilmer, Dept. of City Development Tess Wynn, Dept. of City Development Pres. Ald. Jose Perez, 12th Ald. Dist.

Ald. Spiker joined the committee at 10:08 a.m.

There was presentation and discussion on the following: City-owned vacant lots inventory details, maintenance of existing inventory, rental income, mowing, inspection, homelessness encampments, complaint data, signage with information, interim uses (Community Improvement Projects, garden permits, Healing Space Initiative), green space land sales (side lot sale program and silver lots, backlog of applications, sale and closing timeframe, pricing), miscellanous lots, sale for new construction, breakdown of buildable lots, sales to Habitat for Humanity, Walnut Circle and Josey Heights, backbone TID strategy (2024 Midtown, 2025 Harambee, and 2026 Amani Homeownership Initiatives), Revive Housing Development, goals for 2026, and new strategies (innovation, peer city best practices, advertising, neighborhood collaboration, smaller houses).

Information requests were made as follows:

Breakdown of City-owned vacant lot inventory by aldermanic district. (Ald. Bauman) Communication file on details on finances, including rental income, related to City-owned residential properties. (Ald. Coggs)

Cost estimate to install signs containing City contact information on vacant lots. (Ald. Bauman)

Information on reinstalling a skate park between 47th St. and 48 St. and Center St. (Ald. Stamper)

Number of gardens installed on City-owned vacant lots. (Ald. Coggs)

Details of homes under the Backbone TID Strategy for the 6th, 7th, and 15th aldermanic districts. (Ald. Coggs, Stamper, and Jackson)

Ald. Coggs said for the Dept. of City Development to also look at new innovative strategies to reduce the City-owned vacant lots inventory and intentional inclusion of a whole neighborhood to uplift a vacant lot.

A motion was made by ALD. JACKSON that this Communication be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

5. 251095

Communication from the Department of Neighborhood Services relating to its demolition and deconstruction program and its funding in the 2026 budget

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appearing:

Michael Mazmanian, Dept. of Neighborhood Services Jumaane Cheatham, Dept. of Neighborhood Services Shaketa Winters, Budget Office Mason Lavey, Budget Office Sam Leichtling, Dept. of City Development

There was discussion on the Budget Office memorandum as contained in the file; data related to demolition and deconstruction program numbers and budgetary funds (appropriation, expenditures, encumbrances, balances, commitments) for 2024, 2025, and 2026; private and City raze orders, raze order referral timing, demolition bid process

Information requests were made as follows:

Data on demolition numbers for 2024. (Ald. Bauman)

Data on average time for raze order referral from Dept. of City Development (Ald. Stamper)

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Communication be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

6. 251096

Communication from various departments regarding the city's plan to develop single-family, duplex and multi-family housing stock, including the raze and revive program.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appearing:

Sam Leichtling, Dept. of City Development Larry Kilmer, Dept. of City Development

There was discussion on 2026 appropriation level, funding sources, program specifics, and anticipated homes for the Raze and Revive Program.

A motion was made by ALD. JACKSON that this Communication be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

7. <u>251094</u>

Communication from the Department of City Development on the status of the Homes MKE Program.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appearing:

Larry Kilmer, Dept. of City Development

There was discussion on the Homes MKE Program relating to funding, staffing, status and completion of homes, ending of the program, possible expansion of the program, community outreach, and project costs.

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Communication be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

8. 250623

Communication from the Department of City Development transmitting the 2024 Annual Report of Tax Incremental Districts.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Lori Lutzka, Dept. of City Development David Schroeder, Dept. of City Development

There was presentation on the City's tax incremental district portfolio for 2024, housing resolutions for 2025 and 2026, and projected district amendments.

A motion was made by ALD. JACKSON that this Communication be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

9. 250830

Substitute resolution granting permanent historic designation to the Edanside Apartments at 3131 W. Wells Street, in the Fourth Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrew Stern, Historic Preservation Commission

Laura Sue Mosier, nominator

Mr. Stern presented an overview of the permanent historic designation proposal. Staff recommended approval based on fulfillment of criteria f-5 and f-6 fo the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

Ms. Mosier testified in support and to protect the porch.

No other public testimony.

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, and Jackson

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

10. 250672

Substitute resolution granting the appeal of the Certificate of Appropriateness for retroactive approval of vinyl windows at 2443 N. Sherman Boulevard, in the Sherman Boulevard Historic District, for La Dawn Tipton.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrew Stern, Historic Preservation Commission La Dawn Tipton, appellant

Mr. Stern presented an overview of the appeal and Certificate of Appropriateness. Staff recommended denial of the appeal and to uphold the decision of the Historic Preservation Commission.

La Dawn testified in support of the appeal and in objection to the decision of the Historic Preservation Commission on the basis of not being properly disclosed and made aware of the historic designation status of the property prior to purchase of the property and completion of the windows.

No other public testimony.

Ald. Stamper moved to grant the appeal. (Prevailed 5-0)

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, Jackson, and Spiker

No 0

250672

Substitute resolution granting the appeal of the Certificate of Appropriateness for retroactive approval of vinyl windows at 2443 N. Sherman Boulevard, in the Sherman Boulevard Historic District, for La Dawn Tipton.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by ALD. STAMPER that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Coggs, Jackson, and Spiker

No 0

Meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Chris Lee, Staff Assistant Council Records Section City Clerk's Office

This meeting can be viewed in its entirety through the City's Legislative Research Center at http://milwaukee.legistar.com/calendar.

City of Milwaukee