



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. MARK A. BORKOWSKI, CHAIR

Ald. Cavalier Johnson, Vice-Chair

Ald. Robert Bauman, Ald. T. Anthony Zielinski, and Ald. Nikiya Dodd

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Monday, February 3, 2020

1:30 PM

301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened at 1:35 PM

Present 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski, Dodd

1. [191453](#) Resolution directing the Municipal Port Director to prepare and present a report to the Common Council for reaching out to existing sister cities.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs, Ald. Stamper and Ald. Lewis

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

2. [191532](#) Appointment of Kathleen Johnson to the Ethics Board by the Mayor. (3rd Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Mrs. Johnson*

A motion was made by ALD. ZIELINSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

3. [191408](#) Communication related to the 2019 annual report and activities of the Ethics Board.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Pat Hintz - Chair of the Ethics Board

Peter Block - ACA for the Ethics Board

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

4. [191196](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Kieran Quinan for property damage.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Katryna Rhodes - ACA

DPW Scott Reinbacher

Mr. Kieran Quinan

Teresa Quinan, mother of Mr. Quinan

Ald. Borkowski moved to pay this appeal in the amount of 105.60.

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

Aye 1 - Borkowski

No 3 - Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

Excused 1 - Dodd

A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

No 1 - Borkowski

Excused 1 - Dodd

5. [191119](#) Resolution relating to the claim of John Ellenbecker

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Katryna Rhodes - ACA

James Washington DPW

Based on non-appearance.

A motion was made by ALD. JOHNSON that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED

FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Zielinski

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

6. [191315](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Paul and Carol Rubitsky for property damage. (10th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Katryna Rhodes - ACA

Jeff Novak - WAter Dept

PAtrick Pauly - Water Dept

Carol Rubitsky - appellant

Ms. May Clemenson

Based on City Attorney's recommendations and City Department testimony, Ald. Bauman moved denial of this appeal.

A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

7. [191076](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Nasif Bowie for property damage. (15th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Katryna Rhodes - ACA

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

8. [190753](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Mary Alice Quigley for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Katryna Rhodes - ACA

Mrs. Mary Alice Quigley and her husband

James Washington - DPW

Based on City Attorney's recommendations and City Department's testimony, Ald. Bauman moved to pay this appeal in the amount of \$250.00

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

[190753](#)

Substitute resolution relating to the appeal of Mary Alice Quigley for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

9. [191504](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 4843 N. 51st Boulevard, in the 1st Aldermanic District to its former owner Kelly L.M. and Becky L. McChristion-Bradley (application made bt Sheldon Thompson c/o Paw Solutions LLC).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Deborah McCollum-Gathing

Tanz Rome

Stephanie O'Connor

Jim Klajbor

Nicole Larsen

Mr. Sheldon Thompson

Property Manager

Mr. Prince Wilson property manager c/o Paw Solutions LLC

DNS does not object to the request provided the applicant pays all outstanding charges at other properties where the applicant has indicated an ownership interest. That property and the outstanding charges are as follows:

4178 N 50th Street in the amount of \$254.51 due by 2/10/2020

*2013-2019 Taxes due if paid by February \$15,175.48
if paid by March 12, 2020 \$15,315.90*

Recovery of City Services charges \$9,982.62

Other properties owned by applicant:

3629 W Hampton Ave \$6,092.34

8848 N 95th St Unit D \$2,490.36

4178 N 50th St 2019 on installment Plan

3064 N 25th St 2018-2019 Outstanding

Total \$3,634.43

*Kelly LM Bradley has the following building code violation judgment i fpau by 2/10/2020 \$879.31
if paid by 3/12/2020 \$ 883.98*

Becky McChristian Bradley has an outstanding building code violation judgment of \$280.00

Mr. Bradley and Ms. McChristian Bradley have warrants for their arrest in their respective cases.

*Prince Anwar Wilson, the member and registered agend of PAW Solutions LLC, has outstanding building code violation and traffic code judgment:
if paid by 2/10/2020 \$1,506.79
if paid by 3/12/2020 \$1,510.11*

*There is also outstanding building code violation judgment for the property at 3064 N 25th Street:
if paid by 2/10/2020 \$522.34
if paid by 3/12/2020 \$523.85*

to arrange payment of the outstanding debt(s), the applicant must contact Mary Lyles, City Attorney's Office, at 414-286-2667.

There was a 2 -year lapse in the recording process; Ald. Bauman moved denial of this return.

Chair asked for Ald. Bauman to withdraw his motion. There were no objections.

Given all the issues that have surfaced, Ald. Johnson asked that the applicant contact the local council representative to seek his/her input. Therefore, he moved to hold until next cycle.

Property currently occupied, per Ms. McCollum-Gathing

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

10. [191503](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 5044 N. 33rd Street, in the 1st Aldermanic District, to its former owner Charles Singleton.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen*

No one present when called.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

11. [191479](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3475 N. Buffum Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District to its former owner Cornice D. Grace and Betty Hood.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Deborah McCollum-Gathing

Tanz Rome

Stephanie O'Connor

Jim Klajbor

Nicole Larsen

Mr. Cornice Grace & Mrs. Jacqueline Grace

DNS reinspection fees due in the amount of \$609.60

Ms Hood passed in April 2019.

Mr Grace and Ms Hood both have outstanding building code violations

if paid by 2/10/2020 \$586.68

if paid by 3/12/2020 \$588.60

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

Excused 1 - Bauman

12. [191505](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2971 N. 6th Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District, to its former owner 123 Helping Hands Personal Care Agency LLC c/o Debbie Lewis.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Deborah McCollum-Gathing

Tanz Rome

Stephanie O'Connor

Jim Klajbor

Nicole Larsen

no one present when called

A motion was made by ALD. JOHNSON that this Resolution be HELD TO CALL

OF THE CHAIR. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

13. [191500](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3555 N 9th Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Willie Peavey.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen
Mr. Willie Peavey

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

14. [191506](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3326 N. 28th Street, in the 7th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Trolando B. Wright.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen
Mr Wright

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

15. [191507](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2862 N. 51st Street, in the 7th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Jerry Vang.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Per the request of Mr. Vang, who is unable to appear on 2-3-2020, to postpone this item until 2-24-2020.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

16. [191257](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2512 S 34th Street, in the 8th Aldermanic District to its former owner Kathleen Sartorius.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen
Mrs. Kathleen Sartorius

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

17. [191478](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 168 S. 66th Street, in the 10th Aldermanic District to its former owner Christine Coan.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen

DNS Reinspection Fee due in the amount of \$609.60

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

18. [191575](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2461 S. 6th Street, in the 14th Aldermanic District to its former owner Pyramax Bank and Jose Navarro Jr.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

19. [191202](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1036-1038 W. Wright Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District to its former owner George I. Noble and Nora Conway.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen
Mr. Noble

DNS Reinspection fees due in the amount of \$406.40

Municipal judgements

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

20. [191340](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2465 N 33rd Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District to its former owner Clem Richardson.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor

Nicole Larsen
Clem Richardson

Muni court charges

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

21. [191508](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3919-3921 W. Walnut Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Marilyn D. Howze.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Stephanie O'Connor
Jim Klajbor
Nicole Larsen
Mr Leroy

DNS Reinspection fees due in the amount of \$234.09

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

22. [191501](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2546-2548 W. Medford Avenue, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Quality Real Estate Services LLC c/o Kwame A. Grayson, Sr..

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Per phone call to the Treasurer's Office, Mr. Grayson asked this item be postpone until 2-24-2020.

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

23. [191502](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1918 N. 25th Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Deborah McCollum-Gathing

Tanz Rome

Stephanie O'Connor

Jim Klajbor

Nicole Larsen

Brian Sonderman - Executive Director for Habitat for Humanity

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

24. [191069](#) Substitute resolution supporting the principles of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

Sponsors: Ald. Dodd

Appearing:

Martha Collins - Equal Rights Commission

Add co sponsors

Borkowski

Johnson

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

- [191069](#) Substitute resolution supporting the principles of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

Sponsors: Ald. Dodd, Ald. Johnson, Ald. Borkowski and Ald. Bauman

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

25. [170937](#) Communication from the Fire and Police Commission relating to updates and current activities.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Griselda Aldrete - Director F&PC

John McNally - F&PC

April Nwandu - F&PC

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

26. [191513](#) Resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Brenda Wood

Jordan Primakow

Jim Bohl

AB-802/SB-765

Relating to: criteria for the court to consider when determining whether to use videoconferencing at a proceeding.

AB-803/SB-766

Relating to: using testimony taken by deposition in a criminal trial if witness is at risk of being intimidated.

AB-804/SB-767

Relating to: intimidating a victim of domestic abuse and providing a penalty.

AB-805/SB-752

Relating to: recommendation to revoke parole, probation, and extended supervision if a person is charged with a crime.

AB-806/SB-753

Relating to: acts for which a juvenile may be placed in correctional placement or the Serious Juvenile Offender Program.

AB-807/SB-749

Relating to: mandatory minimum sentence for three or more convictions for retail theft and providing a penalty.

AB-808/SB-745

Relating to: prosecuting a violent felon for the crime of illegal possession of a firearm.

AB-809/SB-754

Relating to: earned release from parole or extended supervision and discharge from probation.

AB-817

Relating to: bail for a criminal defendant who is charged with bail jumping.

OPPOSED All the above 2-0

AB-770/SB-703

Relating to: interest rates on payday loans and loans by licensed lenders.

SUPPORT 3-0

LRB-4317

Relating to: making changes related to mixed-use tax incremental financing districts, increasing the amount of time a city or village may extend the life of a tax incremental district to improve its affordable and workforce housing, allowing a reduction in the amount of certain impact fees, and authorizing local units of government to implement workforce housing initiatives.

SUPPORT 3-0

LRB-5249

Relating to: authorizing a local government to require advance payment from a presidential or vice-presidential campaign for certain expected public event costs.

HCC

AB-834/SB-741

Relating to: public notice of noncandidacy for incumbent local elected officials.

SUPPORT 3-0

AB-440/SB-479

Relating to: prohibiting discrimination based on hairstyle.

SUPPORT 3-0

AB-771/SB-726

Relating to: leasing tax exempt property of a church or religious organization to an educational association.

OPPOSED 3-0

A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED.

This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

[191513](#)

Substitute resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Bauman and Dodd

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Zielinski

27. [191599](#) Resolution authorizing settlement of claims in the lawsuit entitle Gardner Group LLC v. City of Milwaukee

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

ACA William Davidson

Assessor's Office - Ryan Ranker

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Zielinski and Dodd

No 0

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This meeting will be webcast live at www.milwaukee.gov/channel25.

Meeting convened at 4:55 PM

Joanna Polanco

Staff Assistant

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