



City of Milwaukee

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200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ALD. MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC, CHAIR

Ald. Peter Burgelis, Vice-Chair

Ald. Scott P. Spiker, Ald. Milele A. Coggs, and Ald. Charlen P. Moore

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Wednesday, May 6, 2026

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Amended 5/7/26 - Item 7 narrative and actions revised.

Meeting convened at 9:19 a.m.

Present 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, Moore

Also present:

Bill Christianson, City Comptroller

Nik Kovac, Budget Director

Kathy Brengosz, Legislative Research Supervisor

1. [251950](#) Communication from the Office of the Comptroller relating to the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Hotline Report for the Year Ended December 31, 2025

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Adriana Molina, Comptroller's Office

Elizabeth Amaehie, Comptroller's Office

A presentation was given on the annual report relating to the executive summary, background, definitions, finding the Fraud Hotline information, 2021-2025 statistics, total complaints, complaint types, complaint type by year, investigation referrals by department and year, DPW investigation referrals by complaint type, substantiated complaints by department, substantiated by type, and looking ahead.

There was discussion on anonymous reporting.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

2. [260004](#) Appointment of Jerry Allen to the Employees' Retirement System Annuity and Pension Board Committee by the Common Council President.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*
Jerry Allen
Pres. Ald. Jose Perez, 12th Ald. Dist.
- A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
3. [260005](#) Reappointment of Deborah Ford to the Employees' Retirement System Annuity and Pension Board Committee by the Common Council President.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*
Deborah Ford
Pres. Ald. Jose Perez, 12th Ald. Dist.
- A motion was made by ALD. MOORE that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
4. [252160](#) Reappointment of Steve Mahan to the Deferred Compensation Plan Board by the Mayor.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*
Steve Mahan, DOA
- A motion was made by ALD. BURGELIS that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
5. [252161](#) Reappointment of Molly King to the Deferred Compensation Plan Board by the Mayor.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

This file was taken first in the meeting out of order.

*Appearing:
Molly King, DER*

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

6. [252188](#)

Resolution authorizing the review, enhancement, and expansion of the Department of Employee Relations Mental/EAP Health and Wellness Benefits Program.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

7. [252047](#)

Substitute resolution relative to the reallocation and expenditure of up to \$617,215 of American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Mario Higgins, CDGA
Matthew Balistreri, CDGA
Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr., 2nd Ald. Dist.*

There was discussion on the communication of ARPA funds available for reallocation and expenditure, future funds that may become available, and expenditure of funds for existing programs.

Ald. Spiker offered Proposed Substitute A.

*Providing testimony:
Lianna Bishop, Zilber Family Foundation, in support of The Bridge Project
Colleen Foley, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, in support of Eviction Free MKE
Rep. Ryan Clancy, Wisconsin State Assembly District 19, in support of Eviction Free MKE and Right to Counsel*

There was discussion on program details and expenditures for The Bridge Project and Eviction Free MKE and state legislation.

Ald. Spiker moved to take separate action.

A roll call vote was taken on substitution of the file with Proposed Substitute A pertaining to up to \$300,000 for the Zilber Foundation's The Bridge Project. (Failed 1-3-1)

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

This motion FAILED by the following vote:

Aye 1 - Dimitrijevic

No 3 - Burgelis, Coggs, and Moore

Abstain 1 - Spiker

A roll call vote was taken on substitution of the file with Proposed Substitute A pertaining to up to \$317,214.37 for the Legal Aid Society for Eviction Free MKE. (Failed 2-2-1)

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

This motion FAILED by the following vote:

Aye 2 - Dimitrijevic, and Spiker

No 2 - Burgelis, and Moore

Abstain 1 - Coggs

The file reflecting Substitute 1.

Ald. Burgelis moved to offer Proposed Substitute E.

Appearing:

Sam Leichtling, DCD

Erick Shambarger, ECO

There was discussion on program details and expenditures for the Earn and Learn Summer Youth Intern Program, Employ Milwaukee Earn & Learn Program, Down Payment Assistance, and ECO energy efficiency upgrades.

There was request for more program details and expenditures for the Employ Milwaukee Earn & Learn Program.

The file may be rescheduled for a special Finance and Personnel Committee meeting prior to the next Common Council meeting.

Ald. Coggs moved to hold to the call of the chair.

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

Aye 4 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 1 - Burgelis

Meeting recessed at 11:40 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 11:53 a.m.

8. [252099](#) Substitute resolution relating to pension cost recovery associated with reimbursable overtime and extra-duty contracts.

Sponsors: Ald. Burgelis

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

9. [251197](#) A substitute ordinance relating to the membership, organization, and activities of the city information management committee.

Sponsors: Ald. Spiker

Appearing:
David Henke, ITMD

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

10. [252212](#) Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Analysis Division regarding vacancy requests, fund transfers and equipment requests.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

The vacancy agenda was read.

Appearing:
Lorie Gallup, DNS
Sha'Nese Burnell-Jones, DNS
Shaketa Winters, Budget Office
Meryl Simmons, Police Dept.
Laura Engan, Police Dept.
Leon Todd, FPC

There was discussion on the positions of Res. Code Enfor. Inspector 4 (DNS), Media Producer (Police Dept.), and fund transfers for the DPW Infrastructure and Operations Divisions.

Ald. Dimitrijevic recorded as voting no to the position of Media Producer.

Ald. Spiker moved to hold to the call of the chair the position of Media Producer. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. moved approval of the file, as amended.

A motion was made by ALD. BURGELIS that this Communication to Finance be APPROVED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

11. [251708](#) Substitute resolution authorizing carryover of certain fund balances from 2025 to 2026 in accordance with Section 65.07(1)(p), Wisconsin Statutes.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

There was discussion on carryover amounts and impacts.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

12. [251710](#) Substitute resolution rescinding reserved commitments and appropriating remaining funds from the 2025 Common Council Contingent Fund for the purpose of closing the 2025 financial books due to unanticipated shortfalls in current year operating expenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

13. [252171](#) Substitute resolution relating to expenditure of funds to be reimbursed by greater than anticipated revenue(Fire Department).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

14. [252172](#) Resolution relating to expenditure of funds to be reimbursed by greater than anticipated revenue (Police Department).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

15. [252213](#) Communication from the Department of Administration relating to approval of changes to certain single or sole source contracts or contract amendments.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Delisha Moore, DOA Purchasing
Laura Engan, Police Dept.

An overview was given on contract approvals as contained in the file.

A motion was made by ALD. MOORE that this Communication to Finance be APPROVED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

16. [252214](#) Communication from the Department of Administration informing the Finance and Personnel Committee of waivers granted for certain single or sole source contracts or contract amendments.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Delisha Moore, DOA Purchasing
Cpt. Phil Simmert, Police Dept.

An overview was given on contract waivers as contained in the file.

A motion was made by ALD. MOORE that this Communication to Finance be PLACED ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

17. [252215](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to classification studies scheduled for City Service Commission action.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Andrea Knickerbocker, DER
Jackie Carter, DER

There was discussion on the positions and market study report as contained in the file.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

18. [252228](#) Substitute resolution authorizing amendments to Common Council File Number 991863 relating to the City's Sewerage System Revenue Bonds.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Joshua Benson, Comptroller's Office

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

19. [252226](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the sale and issuance of Sewerage System Revenue Refunding Bonds in one or more series.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Joshua Benson, Comptroller's Office

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

20. [252227](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the restructuring of paying agent, registrar, transfer agent, and depository services for outstanding sewerage system revenue bonds.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Joshua Benson, Comptroller's Office

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

21. [252174](#) Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of a State of Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program - Milwaukee County Domestic Violence High Risk Team grant.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

22. [252126](#) Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of the 2026-27 Wisconsin Congenital Disorder/Newborn Screening grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
23. [252217](#) Substitute resolution authorizing attendance at conventions, seminars and other travel.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- A motion was made by ALD. MOORE that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
24. [252218](#) A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 rates of pay of offices and positions in the City Service.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
25. [252219](#) A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 offices and positions in the City Service.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- A motion was made by ALD. MOORE that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0

The following file may be placed on file as being no longer necessary:

26. [231624](#) Resolution relating to the American Rescue Plan Act Funding Allocation Task Force.
- Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

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Council Records Section
City Clerk's Office**

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