



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. ASHANTI HAMILTON, CHAIR
Ald. Terry Witkowski, Vice-Chair
Ald. Robert J. Bauman, Ald. Mark Borkowski, and Ald. T.
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Monday, September 14, 2015

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting called to order at 1:43 P.M.

Present 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski

Excused 1 - Zielinski

1. [150348](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Sarah Kochanski for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Appearing:

Patricia Fricker - ACA

Jeff Delleman - DPW Infrastructure

Sarah Kochanski - appellant

Ald. Borkowski moved to grant this claim in the Amount of \$944.48, notwithstanding the recommendations of the City Attorney.

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 - Hamilton, Witkowski and Bauman

Excused 1 - Zielinski

Based on City department's testimony, Ald. Witkowski moved this claim be denied.

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

Present 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski, Zielinski

2. [150532](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 5414 N. 52nd Street in the 1st Aldermanic District to former owner Funta C Watson.

Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckeown - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer's Office
Funta Watson - former owner

DNS charges
Litter clean up 329.55
VBR & Reinspection Fees 2,656.68
Recording Enforcement 304.20
GRAND TOTAL \$3,290.43 Due by noon on Monday, September 21.

2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$14,942.97
if paid by October 22, 2015 \$15,101.54

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

3. [150455](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 6003-6005 W. Villard Avenue in the 2nd Aldermanic District to former owner Julian Investments Inc.

Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckeown - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer's Office
Julian Investments Inc - former owner Mr. James Wilkerson Sr.

DNS charges
Recording enforcement Fees \$912.60
Due by noon on Monday, September 21.
2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$66,641.34
if paid by October 22, 2015 \$67,363.98

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

4. [150454](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2428-2430 W. Hopkins Street in the 6th Aldermanic District to former owner Golden Rule Church of God in Christ (Application made by Corrine Miller).

Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckeown - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer's Office
Golden Rule Church of God in Christ (Corrine Miller) - former owner
Gloria Wilson

DNS charges
Fire Inspection Fees \$65.91
Reinspecction Fees \$4,765.80
GRAND TOTAL \$4,831.70 Due by noon on Monday, September 21.

2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$25,542.65
if paid by October 22, 2015 \$25,814.70

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

5. [150494](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3122 N. Julia Street in the 6th Aldermanic District to former owner City Transformations LTD.

Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckeown - DNS
Jim Klajbor- Treasurer's Office
City Transformation LTD - former owner, Teresa Anthoy and Gary Taylor
*, principal**DNS charges*
Litter Clean Up fees \$708.79
Reinspection fees \$3,549.00
Total \$4,257.79 Due by noon on Monday, September 21.
Rear Cottage placarded

Applicant also has an ownership interest in the following properties with outstanding fees and charges. See following list:

3818-20 W Lisbon Ave \$1071.80

3074 N 25th St \$3327.95

3332 N 10th St \$816.27

4851 N 57th St \$111.54 sold

4474 N 55th St \$278.85 sold

3275-77 N 1st St \$376.19

3048 N Richards St \$3752.81 currently in litigation

These charges would ALL have to be paid before September 21, 2015 otherwise

2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$17,674.50
if paid by October 22, 2015 \$17,885.13

OTHER PROPERTIES OWNED BY APPLICANT:

5719 N 77TH ST 176-0134-3 2014 OUTSTANDING
2014 bill totals \$1,345.38

4701 N 50TH ST 228-0392-5 2014 OUTSTANDING
2014 bill totals \$911.39

3626 N 12TH ST 272-2726-4 2014 OUTSTANDING
2014 bill totals \$1,816.79

3275-3277 N 1ST ST 282-0373-6 2014 OUTSTANDING
2014 bill totals \$1,085.94

3350 N 21ST ST 285-2139-1 2013-2014 OUTSTANDING
2013 bill totals \$1,391.67 – 2014 bill totals \$1,114.30 – GRAND TOTAL: \$2,505.97

4851 N 57TH ST 210-0160-9 PAID
4474 N 55TH ST 227-0314-2 PAID
1307 W CONCORDIA AV 284-1602-2 PAID
2736 N 53RD ST 306-1374-3 PAID
3041 N 25TH ST 310-2728-8 PAID
2432 N WEIL ST 321-0326-X PAID
2401-2403 N 34TH ST 326-1535-0 PAID
2446 N 46TH ST 328-0920-X PAID

Per the Chair payment plan need to be in place by Sept 21

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 1 - Bauman

6. [150529](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3327-3329 N. 22nd Street in the 6th Aldermanic District to former owner RE Holdings One LLC (Application made by Bass & Moglowsky, SC).

Appearing :
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckwon - DNS/Jim Klajbor - Treasurer
RE Holdings One LLC (Bass & Moglowski, S.C.) - former owner, Jennifer Cullings from Bass & Moglowski, S.C.

DNS Charges
code compliance \$182.52
reinspection fee \$1394.25

*Board up \$294.75
Total \$1871.52 Due by September 21, 2015.*

*2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$10,925.82
if pay by October 22, 2015 \$11,045.19*

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

Aye 2 - Bauman and Borkowski

No 3 - Hamilton, Witkowski and Zielinski

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 1 - Bauman

7. [150572](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2359 S. 31st Street in the 8th Aldermanic District to former owner Carlos DeJesus Martinez (Applicant made by SN Servicing Corp. C/O O'Dess & Associates).

*Appearing :
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckwon - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer
Carlos DeJesus Martinez (SN Servicing Corp. C/O O'Dess & Associates) - former owner, Chuck*

*2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$13,596.37
if pay by October 22, 2015 \$13,744.50*

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 1 - Witkowski

8. [150533](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3501-3511 W. North Avenue in the 15th Aldermanic District to former owner New Covenant 3501 Commercial LLC.

*Appearing :
Karen Taylor - DCD
Emily Mckwon - DNSJim Klajbor- Treasurer
New Covenenat 3501 Commercial LLC - former owner, Johnny Multry
Ald. Stamper - District Rep*

*2012-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$42,055.68
if pay by October 22, 2015 \$42,547.68*

Based on Ald. Stamper's request to hold this item to give applicant time to rectify financial situation

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

9. [150531](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 7035 W. Acacia Street in the 9th Aldermanic District to former owner Dontanian Green.

Appearing :

Karen Taylor - DCD

Emily Mckwon - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Dontanian Green - former owner

2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$8,506.64

if pay by October 22, 2015 \$8,601.76Ald. Bauman said that it will benefit Mr. Green if City will sell this property all clear and free.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

10. [150427](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3561 S. 61st Street in the 11th Aldermanic District to former owner Michael L Gaertner.

Appearing :

Karen Taylor - DCD

Emily Mckwon - CNS

Kerry Urban - Treasurer

Michael L. Gaertner - former owner

2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$19,532.61

if pay by October 22, 2015 \$19,754.93

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

11. [150530](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1271 N. 43rd Street in the 10th Aldermanic District to former owner Juanita M Moore.

Appearing :

Karen Taylor - DCD

Emily Mckwon - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Juanita M Moore - former owner

*2011-2014 delinquent taxes if paid by September \$22,128.77
if pay by October 22, 2015 \$22,360.20*

OTHER PROPERTIES OWNED BY APPLICANT:

3340 N 38th St

2014 outstanding bill totals \$3912.38

Payment plan need to be set up by September 21, 2015

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

12. [150560](#)

Resolution to cancel real estate taxes levied against certain parcel identified by tax key number 081-0241-100, 7850 N 81st Street (John A Mellows LLC), on the 2012 and 2013 manufacturing tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.

Appearing:

Mr. Steve Schwoerer - Assessor's office

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

13. [150559](#)

Resolution cancelling real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing various key numbers on the 2012 and 2013 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.

Appearing:

Steve Schwoerer - Assessor's Office

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

14. [150277](#) Communication from the Municipal Court relating to its pattern and practice of imposing forfeitures and other penalties.

Appearing:

Ald. Kovac - Sponsor

Jane Islo - Munic Court Administrator

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

15. [150649](#) Resolution authorizing settlement of lawsuit, Jane Flint v. City of Milwaukee, et al., in the amount of \$52,500.

16. [150570](#) Resolution authorizing payment of attorney fees and costs of Attorney Jonathan Cermele and Brendan P. Matthews, for lawsuit, entitled Milwaukee Police Association v. City of Milwaukee, in the amount of \$13,000.

17. [150422](#) Communication from the City Attorney relating to semiannual reports as to the determination and disposition of all claims pending and closed and litigation matters closed through June 30, 2015.

Appearing:

Richard Withers - Special Assistant to CA Office

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

18. [150426](#) Communication from the Comptroller's Office relating to the Annual Outstanding Receivables Report.

Appearing:

Martin Matson - City Comptroller

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman and Borkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

19. [150537](#) Resolution supporting provisions of the Free Market Zones proposal pending in the Wisconsin Legislature.

*Appearing:
Ald. Bohl - Sponsor*

Ald. Witkowski moved to accept proposed Sub A

This Resolution was SUBSTITUTED

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

- [150537](#) Substitute resolution supporting provisions of the Free Market Zones proposal pending in the Wisconsin Legislature.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bauman, Borkowski and Zielinski

No 0

20. [150418](#) Resolution relative to legislative bills.

The Judiciary and Legislation Committee may convene into closed session at 1:30 P.M. on Monday, September 14, 2015 in Room 301-B, City Hall, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney who will render oral or written advice with respect to litigation in which the city is or is likely to become involved.

Ald. Zielinski moved the Judiciary and Legislation committee convene into closed session, pursuant to s.19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney who will render oral or written advice with respect to litigation in which the city is likely to become involved.

Roll called at 3:32 p.m.

Ald. Bauman

Ald. Borkowski

Ald. Zielinski

*Ald. Witkwoski
Ald. Hamilton*

Ald. Kovac

*ACA Jan Smokowicz
Adam Stephens
Miriam Horwitz
Grant Langley
Sue Lappen
Robin Pederson
Peter Block
Linda Burke
Patrick McClain
La keisha Buttler*

*Inspector Carianne Yerkes - MPD
Molly King - Budget Office
Mark Nicolini - Budget Office
Sara Zarate - President's Murphy's Office
Jason Schunk - License Division Manager*

Meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

**Joanna Polanco
Staff Assistant**

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