



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ALD. MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC, CHAIR

Ald. Peter Burgelis, Vice-Chair

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

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Thursday, June 18, 2026

9:15 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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Meeting convened at 9:20 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. [252089](#) Communication from the Department of Public Works and the Comptroller relating to an historical accounting of payouts from the disposal of the Materials Recycling Facility and the segregation of final insurance payout from a negotiated depreciation settlement.

Sponsors: Ald. Burgelis

Appearing:

Rick Meyers, DPW-Sanitation

There was discussion on MRF building fire damage loss amounts, insurance claim payout amounts, and allocation of those payouts.

Ald. Burgelis requested for historical accounting information of payouts to be submitted to the file.

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

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

No 0

2. [260173](#) Communication from the Department of City Development relating to the feasibility of creating an employee down payment assistance program.

Sponsors: Ald. Burgelis and Ald. Moore

Appearing:
Benjamin Sanchez, DCD
Sreela Srinivasan, DOA
Kristen Hennessy, DER

A presentation was given relating to purpose of the E-DPA program, the residency gap, Milwaukee housing context, downpayment scenarios for different pricing ranges, downpayment assistance program provided by peer cities and counties, common down payment assistance requirements across cities and counties, examples of down payment assistance program provided by private sector entities, options for consideration (forgivable loan, shared equity, hybrid - closing cost grant and shared equity), options comparison table, and recommendation (option 1 - forgivable loan).

There was discussion and inquiry on a pilot program development (loan forgiveness mechanism, ineligibility factors, disciplinary actions), eligibility (income, homeownership requirements, general city employees, estimated number of recipients), barriers to employee city home investment, settlement, interest survey, data or research from peer cities on benefits and homeownership beyond program requirements, and residency incentive and impacts.

Ald. Moore added as a cosponsor.

Members requested for further information on various employee survey and residency data from DER.

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

3. [260120](#) Substitute resolution relating to reimbursement allowances for members of the Granville-Havenwoods Advisory Council.

Sponsors: Ald. Taylor

This item was taken out of order after item 11, CCFN 260198.

Appearing:
Ald. Larresa Taylor, 9th Ald. Dist.
Gunnar Raasch, LRB

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

4. [260212](#) 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:
Tony Bueno, DEC
Jezamil Arroyo-Vega, DNS*

There was discussion on vacancy agenda listed positions within the Dept. of Emergency Communications and Dept. of Neighborhood Services.

Ald. Coggs moved to hold to the call of the chair the vacancy request for "Building Codes Enforcement Manager" (Dept. of Neighborhood Services) under Schedule A - Vacancy Requests. (Prevailed 5-0)

Ald. Coggs moved approval of the file, as amended. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

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

No 0

5. [260213](#) 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:
Rhonda Kelsey, City Purchasing*

Presentation was given on the contract approval 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

6. [260214](#) 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:

Rhonda Kelsey, City Purchasing

Presentation was given on the contract waiver as contained in the file.

A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER 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

7. [251280](#)

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to classification studies scheduled for Fire and Police Commission action.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrea Knicker, DER

Jackie Carter, DER

Presentation was given on the classification reports as contained in the file.

There was discussion on the citywide HR business operations report not being included in the past executive pay plan, funding through the Wage & Supplement Fund, the report being the last citywide market study report initiated from 2022, increases for employees, Workday implications

Members requested for final total cost data for all major market study reports.

Ald. Moore moved to hold to the call of the chair the citywide HR business operations report. (Prevailed 5-0)

A motion was made by ALD. MOORE 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

8. [260215](#)

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to classification studies scheduled for City Service Commission action.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrea Knicker, DER

Jackie Carter, DER

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Ald. Moore moved to hold to the call of the chair the citywide HR business operations report. (Prevailed 5-0)

A motion was made by ALD. MOORE 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

9. [260216](#)

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations amending the Salary and Positions Ordinances relating to clerical or administrative corrections.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Andrea Knickerbocker, DER*

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

10. [260281](#)

Communication from the Common Council - City Clerk's Office amending the Positions Ordinance relating to adding Auxiliary Executive Administrative Assistant positions.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Dana Zelazny, Deputy City Clerk
Ald. Larresa Taylor, 9th Ald. Dist.*

A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER 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

11. [260198](#)

Substitute resolution relative to acceptance and funding of the 2026-2027 Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant from the 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

12. [260217](#)

A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 rates of pay of offices and positions in the City Service.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Spiker moved to amend the file to delete all provisions relating to the citywide HR Business Operations classification reports as contained in item 7, CCFN 251280, and item 8, CCFN 260215. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

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

No 0

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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

13. [260218](#)

A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 offices and positions in the City Service.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

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

No 0

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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

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Meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

**Chris Lee, Staff Assistant
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City Clerk's Office**

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