



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

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1:30 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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Meeting convened: 1:38 P.M.

Present 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman, Murphy

1. [200508](#) A substitute ordinance relating to the appointment of a deputy by the executive director of the election commission.

Sponsors: Ald. Johnson

Present:

Pres. Cavalier Johnson

Claire Woodall-Vogg -- Election Commission

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

2. [200574](#) Communication from the Milwaukee Election Commission providing a report on the Fall Primary Election and its preparations for the Fall General Election.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Present:

Ald. Milele Coggs

Claire Woodall-Vogg -- Election Commission

Ald. Chantia Lewis

Ald. Milele Coggs

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

3. [200626](#) Communication from the United States Postal Service relating to recent changes to the mail delivery system and the effect they will have on services provided to the City of Milwaukee.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

4. [200324](#) Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration-Intergovernmental Relations Division to seek introduction and passage of state legislation that would prohibit the use of chemical deterrents by local law enforcement agencies for crowd control or dispersal.

Sponsors: Ald. Rainey

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 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

5. [200509](#) Communication from the Office of the Assessor relating to the 2021 assessment process.

Sponsors: Ald. Johnson

Present:

Steve Miner - Assessor

Ald. Milele Coggs

Ald. Russell Stamper

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

6. [191612](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of RaQiba Malik for property damage. (15th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

7. [191351](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Martha Watts

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

The committee was waiting for photographs from Ms. Watts. She had appeared twice before.

Give her one more chance to attend.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

8. [191491](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Shekella Steele.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Murphy moved to reconsider as Ms. Steele now present (was not present due to technical issues)

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

9. [191597](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Melissa Scott

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

10. [191613](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Isabel Monreal for property damage. (14th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

11. [191731](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Ingrid Moreland for property damage. (7th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Atty. Rhodes will contact Ms. Moreland tomorrow and she'll provide more info. for the committee. I need to get the pictures for the file from Atty. Rhodes.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

12. [191838](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Safeco Insurance on behalf of Joel and Katherine Benway.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

13. [200544](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of William Rutherford for property damage in the amount of \$1,000.00 (8th Aldermanic District).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 2 - Dodd and Bauman

No 3 - Hamilton, Spiker and Murphy

Grant in the amount of \$1000

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

FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 1 - Dodd

14. [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

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

15. [200511](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 5709 N. 39th Street, in the 1st Aldermanic District, to its former owner Talisna Bentley.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Applicant is Amir with Fair Deal Homebuyers (written consent was provided by Joshua Jackson)

Must pay \$1,485.21 to the Treasurer's Office by noon on Sept. 21st.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

16. [200577](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1917 W. Atkinson Avenue, in the 6th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Shaun Bender.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

17. [200481](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2474 N. Holton Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Catherine Miskowski.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

18. [200559](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3027-29 N. 9th Street, in the 6h Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Municipal court = 11,451.07 as well as other outstanding taxes on other properties.
The total taxes are over \$250,000 for her properties.*

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

19. [200563](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1504 W. Mitchell Street, in the 12th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

She has outstanding taxes on two other properties.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

20. [200564](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 735 W. Windlake Avenue, in the 12th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

She has outstanding taxes on two other properties.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

21. [200560](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1932-34 W. Greenfield Avenue, in the 12th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

22. [200561](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1112 S. 23rd Street, in the 8th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

23. [200562](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3214 W. Lincoln avenue, in the 8th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Maria Melendez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

24. [200549](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2449 S. 19th Street, in the 12th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Juan Belmontes (application made by Wilmington Savings Fund Society Mortgagee).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Municipal court records show a \$105 parking violation and city treasurer costs of of \$1676.21 which must be paid prior to noon on Sept. 21st
Carl Mont present for Wilmington Savnigs Fund Society*

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

25. [200556](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2415 W. Fond Du Lac Avenue, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Spiritual Israel Church & It's Army (application made by Spiritual

Israel Church c/o Koheleth K. Israel).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Must pay \$139.39 to the city treasurer and \$1,440 in court costs by noon on Sept. 21st.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

26. [200520](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2813 N. 36th Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Travis Green.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Muni court = \$592.14 for building code violation and city costs of around \$2,000.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

27. [200548](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2505-2507 N. 33rd Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Ana Bertha Ramirez-Diaz.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

1,396.44 in city services to be paid by noon on September 21st.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

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The Judiciary and Legislation Committee may convene into closed session on Monday, September 14th, 2020 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 and then will go into open session for the regular agenda.

Ald. Murphy moved to convene into closed session. There were no objections.

Meeting adjourned: 7:32 P.M.

Linda M. Elmer

Staff Assistant

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