



# City of Milwaukee

City Hall  
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. Sharlen P. Moore**

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9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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Meeting convened at 9:22 a.m.

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

**Also present:**

*Bill Christianson, City Comptroller*

*Nik Kovac, Budget Director*

*Kathy Brengosz, LRB Fiscal Planning Specialist*

1. [241536](#) A substitute ordinance relating to reporting requirements for certain positions.  
  
**Sponsors:** Ald. Perez, Ald. Coggs, Ald. Chambers Jr., Ald. Moore, Ald. Burgelis and Ald. Dimitrijevic  
  
**Appearing:**  
*Pres. Ald. Jose Perez, 12th Ald. Dist.*  
*Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr., 2nd Ald. Dist.*  
  
*Ald. Chambers, Moore, Burgelis, and Dimitrijevic added as cosponsors.*  
  
**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**  
  
**Aye** 4 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Coggs, and Moore  
  
**No** 0  
  
**Excused** 1 - Spiker

2. [251009](#) A substitute ordinance relating to a 5-year city fiscal forecast.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Perez, Ald. Dimitrijevic, Ald. Burgelis, Ald. Moore, Ald. Coggs and Ald. Spiker

*Appearing:*  
*Pres. Ald. Jose Perez, 12th Ald. Dist.*

*Ald. Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Moore, Coggs and Spiker added as cosponsors.*

*Comptroller Christianson was in support to produce a report.*

**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

3. [241688](#)

Resolution relating to expenditure of funds to be reimbursed by greater than anticipated revenue from Milwaukee Public Schools.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Chambers Jr.

*Appearing:*  
*Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr., 2nd Ald. Dist.*  
*Evan Goyke, City Attorney*  
*Thomas Miller, Assistant City Attorney*  
*Laura Engan, Police Dept.*

*There was discussion on restrictions to budgetary funding and expenditures regarding School Resource Officers.*

**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

4. [251185](#)

Substitute resolution relating to the transfer of funds for repairs to the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts parking structure.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Bauman

**A motion was made by ALD. MOORE 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

5. [250892](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division and the Office of the Comptroller relating to the development of a formal fund balance policy.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs and Ald. Spiker

*Ald. Spiker added as cosponsor.*

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

6. [250894](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division and the Office of the Comptroller relating to the quarterly reporting of vacant positions.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs

*Ald. Coggs requested for the reporting to come before a communication file quarterly for the committee to review.*

*There was discussion regarding vacancies between quarters 2 and 3 of 2025.*

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

7. [250898](#)

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to the annual reporting of exit-survey results to the Common Council.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

8. [250895](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration - Information Technology Management Division relating to additional ways the City can use e-texts.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs

*Appearing:  
David Henke, ITMD Chief Information Officer*

*There was discussion on a completed survey and findings on e-text uses and tools.  
The survey would be added to the file.*

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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. [250940](#) Communication relating to the use of Artificial Intelligence by City departments.
- Sponsors:** Ald. Spiker
- Appearing:*  
David Henke, ITMD Chief Information Officer  
Jim Bohl, Innovation Office Director
- There was discussion on current and prospective AI tools, implementations, policies, guidelines, and enforcement.*
- Ald. Spiker requested to open a communication file on GovAI and prospective Front Desk (UCC) implementations.*
- 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 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore
- No** 0
10. [251216](#) Resolution directing various departments to provide administrative support to the Department of Community Wellness and Safety and the Department of Equity and Inclusion.
- Sponsors:** Ald. Spiker
- Appearing:*  
Steve Mahan, DOA Deputy Director
- There was discussion on staffing, HR, administrative, federal, granting, and relocation adjustments for the Department of Community Wellness and Safety and Department of Equity and Inclusion. There was also discussion on issues, including the lack of an enacting ordinance, and needs to carry out the adjustments.*
- 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
11. [250946](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to classification studies or other studies scheduled for Fire and Police Commission action.
- Sponsors:** Ald. Moore
- A motion was made by ALD. MOORE 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

12. [250603](#)

Communication from the Office of the Comptroller relating to the audit of the Community Development Grants Administration (CDGA) award process.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Adriana Molina, Comptroller Audit Manager*

*Mario Higgins, CDGA Director*

*There was discussion on the scope, findings, and recommendations from the audit.*

*There was request for further data on timely cost report submittals from award recipients.*

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

13. [251190](#)

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:*

*Erick Shambarger, ECO Director*

*Erica Roberts, ITMD*

*David Schroeder, DCD*

*LaQuisha Schroeder, Deputy City Treasurer*

*Anna Zizzo, DEC*

*Aaron Lipski, Fire Chief*

*Jefflyn Brown, Deputy Commissioner (Health Dept.)*

*Lindsey O'Connor, Health Dept.*

*Jessica Wolf, Library*

*Jerrel Kruschke, DPW Commissioner*

*There was discussion on the vacancy requests for various positions and fund transfer for DPW-Transportation.*

*Ald. Dimitrijevic recorded as voting no to the fund transfer of \$353,170 from Surface and Tow Lot Repaving to Parking EV Fleet for the DPW - Transportation under Schedule B.*

**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

14. [251191](#) Communication from the Department of Administration relating to approval of changes to certain single or sole source contracts or contract amendments

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Meeting recessed at 12:38 p.m.*

*Meeting reconvened at 1:04 p.m.*

*Appearing:*  
*Rhonda Kelsey, Purchasing Division*

*Ms. Kelsey gave an overview of contract approvals in the file.*

**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

15. [251279](#) 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, Purchasing Division*

*Ms. Kelsey gave an overview of contract waivers 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** 3 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, and Spiker

**No** 0

**Excused** 2 - Coggs, and Moore

16. [251373](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations amending the Positions Ordinance to designate one position of Community Health Administrative Specialist in the Milwaukee Health Department as bilingual.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Sarah Sinsky, DER*

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

17. [251053](#)

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

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Sarah Sinsky, DER*

**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

18. [250855](#)

Resolution designating certain City of Milwaukee events and initiatives as eligible for contributions.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**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

19. [250872](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing city departments to expend monies appropriated in the 2026 city budget for Special Purpose Accounts, Debt Service Fund, Provisions for Employees' Retirement Fund, Common Council Contingent Fund, Grant and Aid Fund, and Special Capital Projects or Purposes.

**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

20. [250873](#)

Substitute resolution appropriating \$50,000,001 from the 2026 Special Purpose Account Reimbursable Services Advance Fund.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Mason Lavey, Budget Office*

*Bryan Rynders, Budget 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. [251232](#)**

Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division relating to amending the 2026 Positions Ordinance as a result of the Common Council adopted budget and amendments.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. COGGS 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

**22. [251225](#)**

Substitute resolution authorizing attendance at conventions in 2026 by employees of city departments and board and commission members and further authorizing expenditure of departmental budgeted funds for that purpose.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Mason Lavey, Budget Office*

**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

**23. [251270](#)**

Substitute resolution authorizing the sale and issuance of General Obligation Promissory Notes for up to \$10 million of contingent borrowing for excess 2025 expenditures.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Joshua Benson, Capital Finance Manager (Comptroller's Office)*

*Bryan Rynders, Budget Office*

*There was discussion on the cost, practice, timing of contingent borrowing and audit recommendation.*

*Ald. Burgelis requested for submission of the estimated actual total amount that would need contingent borrowing by the end of 2025.*



**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

24. [251227](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing a one-year extension to the term of Tax Incremental District No. 42 (Midtown) and using the resulting tax incremental revenue to benefit affordable housing and improve housing stock in the City of Milwaukee with the 2025 levy.

**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

25. [251228](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing a one-year extension to the term of Tax Incremental District No. 39 (Hilton Hotel) and using the resulting tax incremental revenue to benefit affordable housing and improve housing stock in the City of Milwaukee with the 2025 levy.

**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

26. [251229](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing a one year extension to the term of Tax Incremental District No. 46 (Grand Avenue / New Arcade) and using the resulting tax incremental revenue to benefit affordable housing and improve housing stock in the City of Milwaukee with the 2025 levy.

**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

27. [251230](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing a one-year extension to the term of Tax Incremental District No. 51 (Granville Station) and using the resulting tax incremental revenue to benefit affordable housing and improve housing stock in the City of Milwaukee with the 2025 levy.

**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

28. [251110](#)

Substitute resolution relative to the acceptance and funding of the 2026 Family Planning Grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**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

29. [251237](#)

Substitute resolution relative to the acceptance and funding of the 2026 Lead Detection 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

30. [251238](#)

Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of the 2026 HIV Partner Services 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

31. [251283](#)

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. COGGS that this Ordinance be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

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

No 0

32. [251282](#)

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

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

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

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

**No** 0

Meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Chris Lee, Staff Assistant  
Council Records Section  
City Clerk's Office

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