



City of Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. ASHANTI HAMILTON, CHAIR

Ald. Terry Witkowski, Vice-Chair

**Ald. James Bohl, Jr., Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., and Ald. Robert
Donovan**

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Monday, December 12, 2011

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

AMENDED 12/9/11 Item numbered #1 (File 101578) has been removed.

Meeting called to order at 1:36 P.M.

Present 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis, Donovan

The Judiciary and Legislation Committee may convene into closed session at 1:30 P.M. on Monday, December 12, 2011 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. Davis moves that the Judiciary and Legislation Committee may 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 or is likely to become involved and then will go into open session for the regular agenda.

Prevailed 5-0

Roll call taken at 1:37 P.M.

*Present: Ald. Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis, Donovan
Mirian Horwitz, City Atty., Bevan Baker, Health Department Commissioner; Maria Monteagudo, Director Department of Employment Relation; Ald. Dudzik, Sue Lappen, Asst. City Attorney; Raquel Filamanowicz, Operations Administrator Health Dept.*

Motion by Ald. Witkowski to go back into open session. Prevailed 5-0

Roll call taken at 3:12 P.M.

- 6. [111109](#)** Resolution to approve a settlement in the matter of Raymond J. Weitz v. City of Milwaukee.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 1 - Witkowski

1. [111009](#) Resolution urging civil public discourse in political activities and governmental affairs.

Sponsors: Ald. Dudzik and Ald. Witkowski

Individual present:

Ald. Dudzik

Ald. Witkowski requested to be added as co sponsor. There were no objections

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

2. [111028](#) Resolution to cancel real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing various tax key numbers on the 2010 manufacturing tax roll, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

3. [111029](#) Resolution to cancel real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing various key numbers on the 2009 and 2010 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individual present:

David Fortney - 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 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

4. [111054](#) Resolution to authorize payment of 2008 and 2009 personal property tax refund levied against Giuffre Bros. Inc., plus interest.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

5. [111051](#)

Resolution to authorize partial refund of 2009 personal property taxes levied against Pacific Rim Capital Inc., plus interest.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

2:30 P.M.

7. [111107](#)

Resolution relating to the claims of Atty. Emile Banks on behalf of Dionne Shaw and Stephanie Shaw for personal injuries and damages.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individual present:

Jan Smokowicz - Asst city Attorney

Milwaukee Police Dept

non appearance

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

8. [111106](#)

Resolution relating to the claim of Atty. Erin Manian on behalf of Cornell Rowe for personal injuries and damages. (15th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individual present:

Jan Smokowicz

non appearance

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

9. [111105](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Barbara Freundl for damages.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

2:45 P.M.

10. [110995](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3002 W. Juneau Avenue, in the 4th Aldermanic District to former owner, Deirdre Cox.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals present:
Lynn Steffen - DNS
Karen Taylor - DCD
Rich Schmidt - Treasurer Office

Non appearance of Deidre Cox

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, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

11. [110994](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2638-2640 N. 47th Street, in the 15th Aldermanic District to Anchor Bank.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals present:
Lynn Steffen - DNS
Karen Taylor - DCD
Rich Schmidt - Treasurer Office
Loretta Bunkie - VP Anchor Bank

Department of Neighborhood Services does not object to the return of this property provided the applicant pays \$525.00 in pending recording enforcement fees and \$200.87 on litter nuisance charges. Total amount owed is \$725.87

Taxes due if paid in December \$14,311.99
if paid by January 19, 2012 \$14,469.22

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

12. [110979](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1328 N. 22nd Street, in the 4th Aldermanic District to former owner, Dineo Black, Agent for Dino Property Management LLC.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals present:

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Karen Taylor - DCD

Rich Schmidt - Treasurer Office

Dineo Black, Agent for Dino Property Management LLC

Taxes due if paid in December \$12,442.05

if paid by January 19, 2012 \$12,577.87

Applicant also has interest at 4546 W Rich Court

taxes for 2009 - 2010 are delinquent, amount due \$9,772.00

Mr. Black established a payment plan to pay off delinquent taxes for year 2009 for this property.

Taxes for 3176 - 3178 N 47 St 2011 due January 31, 2012

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

13. [110972](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2825 N. Humboldt Blvd., in the 3rd Aldermanic District to former owner, Glenn Gipp.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals present:

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Karen Taylor - DCD

Rich Schmidt - Treasurer Office

Taxes due if paid in December \$6,544.98

if paid by January 19, 2012 \$6,616.47

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

14. [111100](#)

Resolution directing the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division to seek introduction and passage of state legislation relating to the use of reverse auction bidding for public works project contracts.

Sponsors: Ald. Bohl

Individual present:
Jennifer Gonda - IRD
Dan Thomas - DPW Administration

Accepted Proposed Sub A.

**A motion was made by ALD. DONOVAN that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED.
This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl and Donovan

No 0

Abstain 1 - Davis

111100

Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division to seek introduction and passage of state legislation relating to the use of reverse auction bidding for public works project contracts.

Sponsors: Ald. Bohl

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl and Donovan

No 0

Abstain 1 - Davis

Meeting adjourned at 3:51P.M.

Joanna Polanco
Staff Assistant