



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. Joe Davis, Sr., Ald. Robert Puente, and Ald. Robert
Donovan
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Monday, December 9, 2013

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, 3rd Fl., City Hall

Meeting convened at 1:38 P.M.

Present 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente, Donovan

Excused 1 - Davis

Also present:

Patricia Fricker - Assistant City Attorney

1. [131044](#) Appointment of Tawny Brooks as the alternate to the Administrative Review Appeals Board by the City Attorney.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Ms. Brooks - Appointee

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

No 0

Excused 1 - Davis

Attendance taken at 1:40 P.M.

Arrival of Ald. Davis to meeting

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

2. [131146](#) Resolution reducing a previous appropriation from the Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel/Expert Witness Fund Special Purpose Account and appropriating \$220,141 from the 2013 Common Council Contingent Fund to the Outside Counsel/Expert

Witness Fund Special Purpose Account.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Mr. Vince Moschella - Special Deputy City Attorney's Office

Mr. Jan Smokowicz - Asst City Attorney's Office

A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AND ASSIGNED TO to the FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE . This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

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

No 0

3. [131145](#) Communication from the Comptroller's Office relating to the Annual Outstanding Receivables Report.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Martin Matson - City Comptroller

Rocky Wruck - Comptroller

A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Communication be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE AND ASSIGNED TO to the FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE . This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

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

No 0

4. [131068](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 4578 N. 65th Street in the 2nd Aldermanic District to former owner Debra L. Eaton. (Application made by Debra Eaton)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

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

No 0

5. [131015](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1442 N. Farwell Avenue in the 3rd Aldermanic District to former owner, James C. Stephens.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr. Stephens represented by counsel.

Reinspection fees of \$50.70 and an Elevator Inspection Invoice of \$190 for a total of \$240.70 DUE BY 12/16/13 NOON, OTHERWISE ITEM WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE.

*2010-2012 taxes due if paid in December \$137,220.66
If paid by January 16, 2014 \$138,786.15*

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

6. [131033](#)

An ordinance authorizing the return of real estate located at 1801 W. Keefe Avenue, 3075-77 N. 14th Street and 3299 N. 11th Street, to former owner Cache Investments, LLC, Caston Love.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

*Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Lynn Steffen - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer
Ald. Coggs*

Mr. Caston Love, Cache Investments, LLC

Covered Opening Invoice of \$40 and Boiler Posting Fee of \$150.70 DUE BY NOON 12/16/13

Regarding delinquent taxes those will be calculated once after common council has taken final action on December 17, 2013.

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

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

No 0

7. [131065](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2918 N. 7th Street in the 6th Aldermanic District to former owner Joseph D. Roberts and Rosalind R. Roberts. (Application made by Joseph D. Roberts)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Lynn Steffen - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer
Mr. Joseph Roberts*

Litter nuisance fee of \$25 DUE BY NOON ON 12/16/13

2010-2012 taxes if paid in December \$7,951.35
If paid by January 16, 2014 \$8,038.12

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

8. [131067](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 4021 N. 41st Street in the 7th Aldermanic District to former owner Margaret Broom. (Application made by Newport Beach Holdings LLC)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Representative from Newport Beach Holdings, LLC

2010-2012 taxes due if paid in December \$9,887.88
If paid by January 16, 2014 \$9,999.21

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

9. [131066](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3752 N. 57th Street in the 7th Aldermanic District to former owner Dwayne Gee. (Application made by Wisconsin Mortgage Corp.)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Atty. David Gander on behalf of Wisconsin Mortgage Corp

2010-2012 Taxes due if paid in December \$8,339.09
If paid by January 16, 2014 \$8,429.21

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

10. [131041](#) Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2011 S. 28th

Street in the 8th Aldermanic District to former owner, Rooms Galore 2 LLC. (Application made by Robert T. Scott)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr.

Robert T. Scott

2010-2012 Taxes due if paid in December \$16,514.81

If paid by January 16, 2014 \$16,693.67

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

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

No 0

11. [131069](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 6628 N. 60th Street in the 9th Aldermanic District to former owner Great Day Real Estate Investment LLC. (Application made by Timothy Day)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr. Timothy Day

Reinspection Fees \$3,164.20

Recording Enforcement \$907.35

TOTAL \$4,071.55 DUE BY NOON ON 12/16/13, OTHERWISE ITEM WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE.

2010-2012 taxes due if paid in December \$25,632.38

If paid by January 16, 2014 \$25,904.24

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

12. [131036](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 8024 W. Manor Circle in the 9th Aldermanic District to former owner Laverne Dillard and Vernon R. Blakey, application made by Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC, Alneta P. Portis-Hill.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr. Russell Karnes - Rep of Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC

2010-2012 Taxes due if paid in December \$8,701.31

If paid by January 16, 2014 \$8,796.42

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

13. [131064](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 658 S. 64th Street in the 10th Aldermanic District to former owner Robert R. Wirth. (Application made by Patrick Wirth)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr. Patrick Wirth

Reinspection fees of \$3,174.50 DUE BY NOON ON 12/16/13

2010-2012 Taxes due if paid in December \$24,788.75

If paid by January 16, 2014 \$25,064.52

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

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

No 0

14. [131063](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 425-431 W. National Avenue in the 12th Aldermanic District to former owner National 427 LLC. (Application made by Anthony Arteaga)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor - DCD

Lynn Steffen - DNS

Jim Klajbor - Treasurer

Mr. Dennis Kesich appear on behalf of Mr. Arteaga

Reinspection fees \$1,740.40

Recording Enforcement \$756.30

*Vacant Building Registration Fee \$1,250.00
TOTAL \$3,746.70 DUE BY NOON ON 12/16/13*

*2009-2012 Taxes due if paid in December \$59,827.72
If paid in January 16, 2014 \$60,441.17*

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

15. [131039](#)

Resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3454 S. 1st Place in the 14th Aldermanic District to former owners, Jorge A. Vargas and Juana Cecilia Vargas.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Karen Taylor - DCD
Lynn Steffen - DNS
Jim Klajbor - Treasurer
Mr.
Jorge Vargas*

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

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

No 0

16. [130999](#)

Resolution relating to the appeal of Gloria Skodowski for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Appearing:
Ms. Skadowski - appealant
Srgt. Michelle Pagan - MPD
Patricia Fricker - Asst City Atty*

Based on department testimony, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.

Prevailed 5-0

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

17. [130969](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Padway & Padway, Ltd. on behalf of Roger Lange for personal injuries.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

*Atty. Nicol Padway from
Padway & Padway, Ltd. on behalf of Mr. Roger Lange*

633 W Wisconsin Ave #1900 Milwaukee WI 53203

Patricia Fricker - Asst City Atty

Bernice Flemming - Water Works

*Based on department testimony, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.
Prevailed 5-0*

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

18. [131046](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Atty. Joseph Louis Olson on behalf of Mary Koceja for personal injuries.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

*Based on non-appearance, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.
Prevailed 5-0*

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

19. [131005](#) Resolution relating to support for legislation to amend state laws on the regulation of prescription drugs and controlled substances, disposal of drugs, and the administration of certain prescription drugs.

Sponsors: Ald. Murphy

Appearing:

*Ald. Murphy - Sponsor
Richard Withers - LRB
Chief Sean Slowey - MFD
Joel Plant - Chief of Staff MPD*

Paulina De Haan - IRD

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, Davis, Puente and Donovan

No 0

20. [131141](#) Resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Brenda Wood - CC CC

Paulina De Haan - IRD

Mike Tobin - Director of Fire & Police Commission

Jennifer Gonda - IRD

AB-409 Investigation of deaths involving a law enforcement officer.

Ald. Witkowski moved committee take a position to watch and report.

Prevailed 5-0

AB-506/SB-394 Professional land surveyors; the practice of professional land surveying; surveying land abutting navigable waters; various changes regarding platting, surveying, and certified maps.

Ald. Puente moved committee take a position to oppose

Prevailed 4-0

Ald. Excused

LRB-3532 The use of automated registration plate readers.

Ald. Puente moved committee take a position to oppose

Prevailed 5-0

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

No 0

Excused 1 - Davis

[131141](#) Substitute resolution relative to various legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made ALD. DONOVAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION This motion PREVAILED by Voice Vote

21. [130882](#) Substitute resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

No 0

Excused 1 - Davis

Meeting adjourned at 4:12 P.M.

Joanna Polanco

Staff Assistant

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