



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

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**Ald. JoCasta Zamarripa, Ald. Jose G. Perez, and Ald. Russell
W. Stamper, II**

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9:00 AM

City Hall, Room 301-B

The meeting convened at 9:01 am

1. [211480](#) Substitute resolution approving levying of assessments and construction of assessable public improvement projects at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City cost of these projects approved by this resolution is estimated to be \$1,389,905 for a total estimated cost of \$1,503,480.

1st Aldermanic District

Alley betw. W. Capitol Dr., W. Fiebrantz Ave., N. 14th st., N. 15th St. (ST212100104)

Concrete alley pavement reconstruction, and grading.

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval.

2nd Aldermanic District

N. 87th St.—W. Thurston Ave. to W. Carmen Ave. (ST211200118) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Paula Levy and Mr. Levy - 5714-16 N 87th St - support the project.

Als. Perez moved approval.

3rd Aldermanic District

Alley betw. E. Linnwood Ave., E Locust St., N. Prospect Ave., N. Stowell Ave. (ST212040121) Concrete alley pavement reconstruction, and grading.*

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Peter - 3250 N Prospect - said that he is in support because it is difficult to have a private contractor to put equipment on the alley (snow plow) because of the very poor condition.

Ald. Kovac said that he wishes that the bricks to be replaced instead.

Mary Dziewiontkoski said that it will be requested.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval.

5th Aldermanic District

N. 87th St. — W. Lisbon Ave. to W. Melvina St. (Incl. W. Elmore Ave. — N. 87th St. to N. 88th St. (ST211200129) Asphalt pavement resurfacing, replace curb and gutter, sidewalk and driveway approaches where necessary, sodding (6.5' width of tree border and grading.

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was negative.

Amanda Kaminski (neighbor 87th St) said that she is not able to pay the fee and that the city should cover the entire cost since property taxes have gone up.

Ald. Borkowski moved to delete this project based on the results of the survey and neighbor's testimony.

6th Aldermanic District

Alley betw. N. Buffum St., E. Chambers St., E. Locust St., N. Richards St. (ST212180121) Concrete alley pavement reconstruction, and grading.

Holly Rutenbeck said that no post card survey was available yet.

Elizabeth Martin (neighbor) - 2974 N Richards St - said she is fine with the alley being like this

Ald. Borkowski moved to delete this project based on no survey results and neighbor's testimony.

9th Aldermanic District

N. 81st St. — W. Acacia St. to W. Casper St (ST 211200123) Asphalt pavement resurfacing, replace curb and gutter, sidewalk and driveway approaches where necessary, sodding (7' width of tree border area), and grading.

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderwoman supports the project.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval

12th Aldermanic District

W. Maple St - . S . 5th St. to S. 6th St. (ST211210134) Install traffic calming speed hump(s),

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Ald. Perez moved approval.

S. Union St. - W. Arrow St. to W. Bow St. (ST211210135) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Ald. Perez said that he just wanted to make sure that the street is in a decent condition for the speed hump.

Ms. Rutenbeck said that the speed hump will be replaced at not cost if the street needs work later.

Ald. Perez moved approval.

S. 14th St. -W. Becher St. to W. Forest Home Ave. (ST211200133) Concrete pavement reconstruction, replace all curb and gutter, replace sidewalk and driveway approaches where necessary, sodding (3' width of tree border area), roadway narrowing, and grading,

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Karen Benitez (neighbor) - 1979 S 14th St - said that she has 36 years of living there

and that there are no proper gutters on the sidewalk and that the project is needed.
Ald. Perez moved approval.

S. 15th Pl. - W. Mitchell St. to W. Lapham Blvd. (ST211210136) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Ald. Stamper moved approval.

S. 15th Pl. - W. Windlake Ave. to W. Lincoln Ave. (ST211210137) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderman supports the project.

Ald. Perez moved approval.

14th Aldermanic District

S. Superior St. - E. Oklahoma Ave. to E. Russell Ave. Install concrete traffic calming speed tables.

Craig - 2933 S Superior St - said that he has lived there for 29 years and that there have been 6 accidents in the last year so he supports the project.

Jacj Walfoot - 2787 S Superior St - said that he has lived for there since 2007 and believes that the problem is drunk driving and speeding and that he is in opposition.

Samantha Meagher - 2947 S Superior St -said that she has lived there for 54 years and also believes that drunk driving is the problem and that she is opposition.

Holly Rutenbeck said that the post card survey was positive and that the Alderwoman supports the project.

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval.

Ald. Borkowski moved approval of the file as amended.

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

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2. [211481](#)

Substitute resolution determining it necessary to make various nonassessable public improvements at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City engineering cost estimated to be \$20,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$742,000.

Holly Rutenbeck - DPW

SUBSTITUTED

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

3. [211482](#) Substitute resolution approving construction of nonassessable public improvements at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City construction cost estimated to be \$7,152,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$7,589,000.

Holly Rutenbeck - DPW

SUBSTITUTED

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

4. [211479](#) Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute various State/Municipal Agreements for State-Let Highway Projects with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation: West Center Street Intersection with Lisbon Ave/N 60th; North 27th Street Intersection with Locust, Center, & North; North 35th Street Intersection with Center Street; North 35th Street Intersections with North Ave and with Lisbon Ave.; and West Morgan Avenue Intersections with 20th, 16th, 13th and 6th Streets; and setting up design and real estate funding of \$887,500 of which \$650,250 is grantor funded and \$237,250 is City funded.

David Tapia - DPW Infrastructure said that the first 2 projects are to elevate funding into the general construction and the last 3 projects are just new highway safety improvement projects.

Ald. Bauman asked if the local aldermen have been involved with these projects.

Mr. Tapia said that he does not believe that and he will need to confirm if these come out from the engineering section.

Ald. Stamper requested a copy of the report and supports the project.

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

5. [211401](#) Resolution relative to acceptance and expenditure of FPI & Carton Council grant funds to implement a capital improvement project for the City of Milwaukee Waukesha County Joint Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).

Samantha Longshore - DPW Sanitation

RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

6. [210821](#) An ordinance granting an air space lease to the Wisconsin Center District for a building overhang on North Vel R Phillips Avenue for the premises at 400 West Wisconsin Avenue.

James Washington - DPW, David Misky - DCD and Thomas Miller - CA were present.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

7. [210822](#) An ordinance granting an air space lease to the Wisconsin Center District for a Skywalk on North Vel R Phillips Avenue for the premises at 400 West Wisconsin Avenue.

James Washington - DPW, David Misky - DCD and Thomas Miller - CA were present.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

8. [210823](#) An ordinance granting an air space lease to the Wisconsin Center District for a building overhang on West Kilbourn Avenue for the premises at 400 West Wisconsin Avenue.

James Washington - DPW, David Misky - DCD and Thomas Miller - CA were present.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

9. [210928](#) An ordinance granting an air space lease to the Wisconsin Center District for a connector between North 6th and Vel R Phillips Avenue on Wells Street for the premises at 400 West Wisconsin Avenue.

James Washington - DPW, David Misky - DCD and Thomas Miller - CA were present.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

10. [211539](#) A substitute ordinance establishing a pedestrian and bicycle advisory committee.

Caressa Givens - Chair of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force.

A verbal amendment (adding words) was made by Ald. Kovac and it will be ready for the full council.

RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

11. [211520](#) Communication relating to semi-annual reporting to the Common Council by the Milwaukee Water Works and the Department of Public Works regarding lead service line replacements.

Karen Dettmer - Interim Commissioner Public Works.

Patrick Pauly- Water Works made a presentation that has been attached to the file.

Karen Benitez - neighbor interested in the presentation.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

12. [211521](#) Communication from the Milwaukee Water Works on the results of a corrosion control treatment study.

Karen Dettmer - Interim Commissioner Public Works was present and Tony Meyers made a presentation that has been added to the file. Nora Kodis from Jacobs was also present.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper

No 0

13. [191930](#) Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the status of current and future operations.

Karen Dettmer - Interim Commissioner Public Works said that they have a good handle of the positive cases, and that have seen a very significant increase on numbers but this last week the number has declined (symptoms covid related and test results have come back quicker) and that the vaccine mandate is working very well.

Danielle Rodriguez - DPW Director of Operations said that operations based on circumstances have been positive and that they are handling each weather patter at the time. Said that they saw some challenges like vacancies but also said that they were able to staff the entire operation (also thanked the staff) from last weekend/beginning of the week and that it was done in the most ideal time. Added that this week will be interviewed the last list of candidates and that there are some delays with the medical and drug testing.

Ald. Stamper said that he was very impressed with Ms. Dettmer because she drove herself around the city to make sure the streets were plowed.

Ald. Bauman and Stamper said that they had no reports or complaints from constituents.

Ald. Perez said that he did not receive complaints but thanked Ms. Rodriguez for following up with the issues reported from his office (narrow streets and parking issues).

Ms. Dettmer said that these temperatures cause main breaks and encouraged residents to report at the control center (open 24 hour) if they see any water surfacing.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper
No 0

14. [211119](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the status of Traffic-Calming and Complete Streets projects to address reckless driving and to provide a safer infrastructure for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Jerrel Kruschke - DPW City Engineer said that the ARPA dollars have been received and that 160 speed humps have been requested with 109 sitting in the queue and that they have started to schedule them like we have seen on item 1 this morning.

HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper
No 0

15. [211359](#)

Motion relating to the recommendations of the Public Works Committee relating to licenses.

EDWARDS, Joseph K, Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License Application.

The applicant was not present.

Ald. Borkowski moved denial based on second nonappearance. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper
No 0

Agenda Only

KOTSAKIS, Peter D, Agent for "Global SS Security, LLC", Private Alarm Business and Alarm Sales License Renewal Applications with Transfer of Stock for "Global SS Security, LLC" at 8655 N Deerwood DR.

RILEY, Willie E, Agent for "JBM Patrol and Protection Corp", Private Alarm First Responder License Renewal Application with Change of Location for "JBM Security" at 6737 W Washington St #Suite 2253.

ROGERS, Peter M, Agent for "FrontPoint Security Solutions, LLC", Alarm Business License Renewal Application with Change of Location and Removing Shareholders for "FrontPoint Security Solutions" at 1595 Spring Hill Rd #700.

Ald. Perez moved approval of the Agenda Only items. (Prevailed 5-0)

AMENDED

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper
No 0

Ald. Zamarripa moved approval of the file # 211359 as amended.

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

Aye 5 - Bauman, Borkowski, Zamarripa, Perez, and Stamper
No 0

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM

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