



City of Milwaukee

Meeting Minutes

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin
53202

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

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Thursday, February 17, 2005

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Special

Meeting Convened: 9:07 A.M.

Members Present: ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Members Excused: ALD. WITKOWIAK

**THIS MEETING HAD BEEN MOVED FROM FEBRUARY 16, 2005 TO
FEBRUARY 17, 2005.**

1) [041311](#)

A substitute ordinance relating to minimum wage requirements for employers located in the city.

[Fiscal Analysis Review.rtf](#)

[Fiscal note.doc](#)

[Testimony of Pamela Fendt.PDF](#)

[Letter from Rep. Josh Zepnick.PDF](#)

[Letter from October Williams.PDF](#)

[E-mail from Donald Richards.PDF](#)

[Letter from Barbara Gray.PDF](#)

[City Attorney's Opinion.PDF](#)

[2/17/05 E-mail from Pamela Fendt.doc](#)

[2/17/05 Documents submitted by Ms. Sheila Cockran.pdf](#)

[2/21/05 E-mail from Pamela Fendt.doc](#)

[Economic Policy Institute article submitted by Ms. Sheila Cockran.pdf](#)

[Economic Policy Institute - EPI Issue Brief submitted by Ms. Sheila Cockran.pdf](#)

[Minimum Wage Advisory Council of WI report submitted by Ms. Sheila Cockran.pdf](#)

Speakers:

Assist. City Attorney Linda Burke

Assist. City Attorney Kathryn Zalewski

Alderman Zielinski

*Alderman Bauman
State Rep. Josh Zepnick*

Alderman D'Amato moved to make State Rep. Josh Zepnick letter a part of the record. Prevailed.

*Ms. Tracie Jones, National Association of Working Women
Mr. Lave Harper, Milw. resident
Ms. Julie Kerksick, Milwaukee New Hope Project*

Alderman Donovan moved to make Barbara Gray's letter a part of the record. Prevailed.

Mr. Don Richard, Milw. resident

Alderman Davis moved to make Don Richards e-mail a part of the record. Prevailed.

*Ms. Emma Morrow, Milw. resident & Rep. for Workers for United
Ms. Minnie Williams read Ms. October Williams letter*

Alderman Donovan moved to make October Williams letter a part of the record. Prevailed.

*Mr. Earl Kilgor, Milw. resident
Ms. Sheila Cockran, Minimum Wage Advisory Council member (Milw. Secretary-Treasurer of the Milw. Labor Council)*

Alderman D'Amato moved to make reports submitted by Ms. Sheila Cockran(Moving Outward: The Shifting Landscape of Poverty in Milwaukee; Governor Announces Appointments of Business, Labor and Economic Experts to Minimum Wage Advisory Council; Institute For Wisconsin's Future: Raising the Minimum Wage; Wisconsin State AFL-CIO: Why Increase The State Minimum Wage? and other documents she will provide at a later date) a part of the record. Prevailed.

*Ms. Patty Yunk, Dist. Council #48, AFSCME
Minister Anna Will
Ms. Teresa Thomas-Boyd
Ms. Pamela Fendt, UW-Milwaukee, Center for Economic Development*

Alderman Donovan moved to make written testimony of Pamela Fendt and tables submitted by Ms. Fendt a part of the record. Prevailed.

Richard Berkhofer, Milw. resident

Ala Denbar, Social Development Commission

Alderman Donovan moved to make the Social Development Commission letter submitted by Ms. Ala Denbar a part of the record. Prevailed.

Mr. Dan Welch, Minimum Wage Advisory Council member (President of Local 1444 United Food and Commercial Workers)

Alderman D'Amato moved to amend by increasing the requested minimum wage from \$6.50 to \$7.35. Failed. (Ald. Donovan and Murphy voting "no")

A motion was made by Chair Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

2) [041358](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Analysis Division transmitting various vacancy requests, fund transfers and equipment requests.

[Vacancy Agenda.pdf](#)

[Approved agenda .pdf](#)

Approve; vacancy requests, fund transfers and equipment requests.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

3) [041337](#)

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations transmitting a communication relative to classification studies scheduled for City Service Commission action.

[DER Cover Letter.PDF](#)

[Communication from DER.PDF](#)

[Fiscal Note.PDF](#)

[Communication from DER.PDF](#)

Approve; changes to salary and positions ordinances.

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be

RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

4) [041372](#)

Communication from the City Clerk relative to amending the Positions Ordinance.

[Communication.PDF](#)

Approve; changes to positions ordinance.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

5) [041377](#)

Communication from the Ethics Board relative to effectuating various changes to the Positions Ordinance.

[Communication.PDF](#)

Approve; changes to positions ordinance.

A motion was made by Ald. Davis that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

6) [041340](#)

Resolution updating the City's Prevailing Wage Schedule to incorporate new wage rates and fringe benefit changes as they pertain to building and construction trade categories.

[DPW Cover Letter.PDF](#)

[Fiscal Note.PDF](#)

[WI Department of Workforce Development Letter.PDF](#)

[Budget reply.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Davis that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

7) [041339](#)

Substitute resolution amending the prevailing wage resolution (Boilermakers and their contractors).

[DER Cover Letter.PDF](#)

[Communication from the Milwaukee Building and Construction Trades Council.PDF](#)

[Budget reply.pdf](#)

[Communication from DER.PDF](#)

[Fiscal Note.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

8) [041378](#)

A substitute ordinance relating to employee automobile mileage reimbursement.

[E-mail from DER requesting introduction of file.doc](#)

[DER Cover letter and fiscal note.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

9) [041400](#)

Resolution authorizing the Department of Employee Relations to hire consultants to assist in preparing requests for proposals for employee benefit contracts.

[DER Cover Letter.doc](#)

[Fiscal note.doc](#)

[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

10) [041415](#)

Resolution related to administration and customer support of supplemental payments to the members of the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund.
[Fiscal note.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

11) [041387](#)

Resolution relative to acceptance and funding of a Books2Go-Family Literacy Grant. (Library)
[Fiscal Note.doc](#)
[Grant Analysis Form.doc](#)
[Grant Budget Form.xls](#)
[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

12) [041388](#)

Resolution relative to acceptance and funding of a Books2Go-Libros Para Llevar Grant. (Library)
[Fiscal Note.doc](#)
[Grant Analysis Form.doc](#)
[Grant Budget Form.xls](#)
[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

13) [041397](#)

Communication from the Comptroller's office transmitting the Audit of Milwaukee Public Library Agreements with the Milwaukee County Federated Library System.

[Audit.PDF](#)

Receive

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO and ALD. DAVIS
Noes: 0
Excused: 2 - ALD. DONOVAN and ALD. WITKOWIAK

14) [041390](#)

Resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of a Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Grant. (Police Department)

[Fiscal Note.doc](#)

[Grant Budget Form.doc](#)

[Budget reply.pdf](#)

Changes to positions ordinance.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO and ALD. DAVIS
Noes: 0
Excused: 2 - ALD. DONOVAN and ALD. WITKOWIAK

15) [041381](#)

Resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Maternal Health Grant. (Health Department)

[Fiscal Note.doc](#)

[Grant Analysis Form.PDF](#)

[Grant Budget Form.PDF](#)

[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

[Budget reply.pdf](#)

Changes to positions ordinance.

A motion was made by Ald. Davis that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO and ALD. DAVIS

Noes: 0

Excused: 2 - ALD. DONOVAN and ALD. WITKOWIAK

16) [041380](#)

Resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Gonococcal Susceptibility Grant. (Health Department)

[Health Department Cover Letter.PDF](#)

[Grant Analysis Form.PDF](#)

[Grant Budget Form.PDF](#)

[Fiscal Note.doc](#)

[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

[Budget reply.pdf](#)

Changes to positions ordinance.

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

17) [041373](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration, Business Operations Division relative to a status report on the citywide print study being conducted to determine the most cost effective means of producing printed materials throughout the City.

[Report.PDF](#)

Speakers:

Cheryl Oliva, Purchasing Director, Dept. of Admin., Business Operation Div.

John English, District Council 48

Receive

A motion was made by Ald. Davis that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

18) [041396](#)

A substitute ordinance relating to information and technology management.

[DOA Cover Letter.doc](#)

[Fiscal note.doc](#)

Alderman Davis requested to be add as co-sponsor.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

19) [041197](#)

Resolution approving the form of the Preliminary Official Statement used in connection with the sale of City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, debt. (Comptroller)

[Comptroller's Cover Letter.doc](#)

[Fiscal Note.doc](#)

[Preliminary Official Statement.pdf](#)

[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

[Revised Preliminary Official Statement.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

20) [041375](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the release of borrowing authority provided in the 2005 City Budget and the expenditure of funds for the Police Department's Trunked Radio Communications - Citywide capital improvement project.

(Budget and Management Division)

[Budget and Management Cover Letter.doc](#)

[Fiscal Analysis.rtf](#)

[Fiscal note.doc](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

21) [041253](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing attendance at conventions, seminars and other travel in 2005 by employees of city departments and board and commission members.

[Budget Cover letter & Exhibit A & B.pdf](#)

[Budget Fiscal note.doc](#)

[2005 ICSC Spring Convention.pdf](#)

[Common Council fiscal note.doc](#)

Approves the following:

Exhibit A (2005 Department of Public Works Convention Attendance Requests) submitted by Dept. of Admin., Budget and Management Division (Attached to file).

; and

Two (2) Aldermen (CC-CC), "2005 ICSC Spring Convention - Back to Business"; May 21-25, 2005; Las Vegas, NV; \$2,940.00.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

22) [041102](#)

Substitute ordinance to further amend the 2005 rates of pay of offices and positions in the City Service under control of the Common Council.

[Memo from DER 5/12/004.PDF](#)

[Memo from DER 1/26/05.PDF](#)

[Memo from DER 1/26/05.PDF](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Davis that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN

Noes: 0

Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

23) [041103](#)

Substitute ordinance to further amend the 2005 offices and positions in the City Service under control of the Common Council.

A motion was made by Vice Chair D'Amato that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

24) [031505](#)

Resolution relating to procedure for tax increment districts exceeding Common Council approved expenditures for those districts.

[City Attorney Letter.PDF](#)

[Budget Reply.PDF](#)

A motion was made by Ald. Donovan that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - ALD. MURPHY, ALD. D'AMATO, ALD. DAVIS and ALD. DONOVAN
Noes: 0
Excused: 1 - ALD. WITKOWIAK

Meeting Adjourned: 12:00 P.M.

*Terry J. MacDonald
Staff Assistant*