



City of Milwaukee

City Hall
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ALD. MICHAEL J. MURPHY, CHAIR

Ald. Scott Spiker, Vice-Chair

Ald. Nik Kovac, Ald. JoCasta Zamarripa, and Ald. Milele A. Coggs

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Wednesday, April 28, 2021

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

This is a virtual meeting. Those wishing to view the proceedings are able to do so via the City Channel - Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable - or on the Internet at <http://city.milwaukee.gov/citychannel>.

Meeting convened at 9:20 a.m.

Present 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa, Coggs

Also present:

Dennis Yaccarino, Budget & Management Director

Aycha Sawa, Comptroller

Joshua Benson, Deputy Comptroller

Dana Zelazny, Deputy City Clerk

Tea Norfolk, Legislative Reference Bureau

1. [201241](#)

Communication from the Employees' Retirement System and the Department of Administration -- Budget and Management Division relating to the status of the City of Milwaukee's pension plan.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs, Ald. Dodd, Ald. Lewis, Ald. Rainey, Ald. Stamper, Ald. Hamilton, Ald. Perez, Ald. Murphy and Ald. Spiker

Appearing:

Jerry Allen, Employees' Retirement System

Ald. Russell Stamper, II, 15th Ald. Dist.

Richard Li, Comptroller's Office

Presentations were made by Mr. Allen, Yaccarino, and Benson.

Ald. Spiker moved that the committee convene into closed session, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conducting specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

Ayes - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa, Coggs

The committee convened into closed session at 10:39 a.m.

Present - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa, Coggs

Appearing:

Dennis Yaccarino, Budget & Management Director

Ald. Mark Borkowski, 11th Ald. Dist.

Ald. Ashanti Hamilton, 1st Ald. Dist.

Ald. Russell Stamper, II, 15th Ald. Dist.

Ald. Kovac moved that the committee reconvene into open session.

The committee reconvened into open session at 11:46 a.m.

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 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

2. [201526](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division relating to the receipt and distribution of federal coronavirus relief funds.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs, Ald. Murphy and Ald. Johnson

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 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

3. [201571](#)

Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division to create a transparent and inclusive plan for the allocation of funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Sponsors: Ald. Murphy, Ald. Johnson, Ald. Stamper, Ald. Zamarripa, Ald. Spiker, Ald. Perez, Ald. Kovac and Ald. Dimitrijevic

Ald. Kovac moved to amend the resolution to add the following three provisions before the last "Further Resolved" clause:

Further Resolved, That the Department of Administration shall work collaboratively with the City Clerk's Office to develop the survey questions, which shall be subject to approval by the Common Council, and to analyze the results, which shall be posted on the City Clerk and the Department of Administration websites; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the expenditure of ARPA funds prior to the development and approval of an allocation plan in accordance with this resolution may be approved by the Common Council and the Mayor; and, be it

Further Resolved, That an allocation plan established in accordance with this resolution shall be limited to the first tranche of funds received by the City in 2021; and, be it

(Prevailed 4-0-1)

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

Aye 4 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac and Zamarripa

No 0

Abstain 1 - Coggs

[201571](#)

Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division to create a transparent and inclusive plan for the allocation of funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Sponsors: Ald. Murphy, Ald. Johnson, Ald. Stamper, Ald. Zamarripa, Ald. Spiker, Ald. Perez, Ald. Kovac and Ald. Dimitrijevic

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

Aye 4 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac and Zamarripa

No 0

Abstain 1 - Coggs

4. [210002](#)

Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration - Information Technology Management Division to create an online survey tool to gather citywide citizen input on the best use of American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Sponsors: Ald. Dimitrijevic

Appearing:

David Henke, Information and Technology Management Division

Ald. Marina Dimitrijevic, 14th Ald. Dist.

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

10 AM

5. [201708](#)

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Kimberly Walker, City Attorney's Office

Tearman Spencer, City Attorney

Makda Fessahaye, Dept. of Employee Relations Director

A motion was made by ALD. KOVAC that this Communication to Finance be APPROVED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

6. [201493](#)

Communication from the Department of Administration relating to approval of changes to certain single or sole source contracts or contract amendments.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Rhonda Kelsey, City Purchasing

A motion was made by ALD. COGGS that this Communication to Finance be APPROVED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

7. [201602](#)

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, City Purchasing

A motion was made by ALD. SPIKER that this Communication to Finance be PLACED ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

8. [201663](#)

Substitute resolution relative to the acceptance and funding of the Wisconsin Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education (SNAP-Ed) from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Mark Yatchak, Health Dept.

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

9. [201488](#)

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Matthew Palmer, Police Dept.

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

10. [201032](#)

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Richard Li, Comptroller's Office

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

11. [201260](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing carryover of certain fund balances from 2020 to 2021 in accordance with Section 65.07(1)(p), Wisconsin Statutes.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

12. [201548](#)

Substitute rescinding reserved commitments and appropriating remaining funds from the 2020 Common Council Contingent Fund for the purpose of closing the 2020 financial books due to unanticipated shortfalls in current year operating expenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Spiker moved substitution of the file with Proposed Substitute A. (Prevailed 5-0)

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

[201548](#)

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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 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

13. [201686](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the transfer of up to \$7,000,000 from various Employee Health Care Benefits Special Purpose Accounts to the Employee Health Care Benefit and Workers' Compensation Liability Reserve Fund.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

14. [191809](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing attendance at conventions, seminars and other travel.

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 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

15. [201712](#)

A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2021 offices and positions in the City Service.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

16. [210018](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations and the Department of Administration reporting on the implementation of permanent remote work schedules for City employees.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

*Makda Fessahaye, Dept. of Employee Relations Director
William Christianson, Budget & Management Division*

Presentations were given by Ms. Fessahaye and Mr. Christianson.

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 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

17. [201707](#) Substitute resolution directing the Department of Employee Relations to prepare recommendations to the Common Council intended to ensure that all City elected officials are governed by City policies regulating sexual harassment and other forms of intimidation.

Sponsors: Ald. Zamarripa, Ald. Murphy, Ald. Dimitrijevic, Ald. Johnson, Ald. Kovac, Ald. Spiker and Ald. Perez

Appearing:

*Makda Fessahaye, Dept. of Employee Relations Director
Tearman Spencer, City Attorney*

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

The following file can be placed on file as no longer necessary:

18. [201133](#) Resolution authorizing the sale and issuance of General Obligation Promissory Notes for contingent borrowing for unfunded 2020 expenditures.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Murphy, Spiker, Kovac, Zamarripa and Coggs

No 0

Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

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

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