



City of Milwaukee
Meeting Minutes
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

City Hall
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

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Ald. Michael McGee, Jr., Ald. Terry Witkowski, Ald. T. Anthony Zielinski

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Thursday, April 27, 2006

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting Convened: 9:04 A.M.

Present Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr. , Witkowski

Excused Zielinski

Ald. Zielinski arrived 9:17 A.M.

Present Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski , Zielinski

Recess: 9:53 A.M.

Meeting Reconvened: 9:59 A.M.

1. [051651](#) Motion relating to the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee relative to various licenses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

2. [051661](#) An ordinance relating to the filing of dispatch service affiliation agreements by public passenger vehicle owners and the application for license renewal by public passenger vehicle drivers.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearance:

Richard Pfaff, License Division.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

3. [050730](#) A substitute ordinance relating to taxicab meter rates.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Motion by Ald. Zielinski to amend Common Council File # 050730 to change the proposed taxi meter rate increase from \$3.00 to \$2.50.

Prevailed. 5-0.

Ald. Donovan extended invitation to Taxicab companies to address the committee again in 6-months to revisit the possibility of additional rate increases based upon the motion to amend this item.

Motion by Ald. McGee and Ald. Witkowski for unanimous consent to change their previous "aye" votes to "no" votes. In addition, they requested a rate study relative to this matter.

Appearances:

- James Dixon, American United Taxicab*
- Thomas Eisen, American United Taxicab*
- Christopher, American United Taxicab*
- Lawrence Davis, Yellow Cab*
- Sygp Bukart, Independent Cab*
- Justile Rhalsa, Yellow Cab*
- Gagandeep Singh, American United Taxicab*
- Virgil Ross, American United Taxicab*
- Mohammal Abuagyash, American United Taxicab*
- Khaled Ethmane, American United Taxicab*
- Baljett Singh, American United Taxicab*
- Hamid Mahmood, American United Taxicab*

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

Aye 3 - Donovan, Puente Zielinski

No 2 - McGee Jr. Witkowski

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Motion by Ald. Zielinski to amend this file to reflect taxi meter rate increase from \$2.50 to \$2.75, with a 6-month sunset provision.

Prevailed. 5-0.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

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Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Passage as amended.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

4. [051454](#) A substitute ordinance relating to parking controls in various Aldermanic Districts.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearance:

Robert Bryson, Department of Public Works.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

5. [051455](#) A substitute ordinance relating to traffic controls in various Aldermanic Districts.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearance:

Robert Bryson, Department of Public Works.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

6. [051662](#) Resolution authorizing application, acceptance and expenditure of a Homicide Review Records Needs Assessment grant (Police Department).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearance:

Deputy Inspector Anna Ruzinski, Milwaukee Police Department.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

7. [051532](#) An ordinance relating to the penalty for disorderly conduct.

Sponsors: Ald. McGee Jr.

Appearances:

Deputy Inspector Anna Ruzinski, Milwaukee Police Department.

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

Aye 4 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr. Zielinski

No 0

Excused 1 - Witkowski

8. [051492](#) A substitute ordinance relating to loitering.

Sponsors: Ald. McGee Jr.

Appearances:

Deputy Inspector Anna Ruzinski, Milwaukee Police Department.

Kristine Hinrichs, Chief Court Administrator, Municipal Court.

Barry Zalben, Manager, Legislative Reference Bureau.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

9. [051702](#) An ordinance relating to penalties for certain violations of ordinances in areas designated for cruising enforcement.

Sponsors: Ald. Davis

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

10. [051691](#) An ordinance relating to illegal drug activity.

Sponsors: Ald. Zielinski

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

11. [051698](#) An ordinance relating to the prohibition, suppression and dispersal of unlawful assemblies involving motor vehicles and providing penalties.

Sponsors: Ald. Donovan and Ald. Zielinski

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

12. [041615](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations transmitting 2005 Report of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearances:

*Maria Monteguado, Employee Relations Director, Department of Employee Relations.
Burma Hudson, Workers Compensation & Safety Manager, Department of Employee Relations.*

Assistant Fire Chief Mark Sain, Milwaukee Fire Department.

Deputy Inspector Ruzinski, Milwaukee, Police Department.

Dan Thomas, Personnel Administrator, Department of Public Works.

Milwaukee Police Department comparison data to be submitted.

A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Communication-Report be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 4 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr. Witkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

13. [051715](#) Communication from the Police Department relating to its hiring practices for new recruits.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearances:

Chief Hegerty, Milwaukee Police Department.

Valerie Watson, Personnel Administrator, Milwaukee Police Department.

David Heard, Executive Director, Fire and Police Commission.

Cynthia Nowak, Human Resources Representative, Fire and Police Commission.

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

Aye 5 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr., Witkowski Zielinski

No 0

14. [051422](#) Communication from the City of Milwaukee Youth Council transmitting its resolution in opposition to Common Council File Number 050296, a substitute ordinance relating to the regulation of smoking inside buildings that are open to the public.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Donovan, Puente, McGee Jr. Witkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Zielinski

Meeting Adjourned:11:46 A.M.

Diana Morgan

Staff Assistant

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