



City of Milwaukee

City Hall
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

STEERING & RULES COMMITTEE

ALD. JOSE G. PEREZ, CHAIR

Ald. Marina Dimitrijevic, Vice-Chair

Ald. Russell W. Stamper, II, Ald. Robert J. Bauman, Ald.

Michael J. Murphy, Ald. Milele A. Coggs, Ald. Mark A.

Borkowski, and Ald. Scott P. Spiker

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Monday, June 26, 2023

9:30 AM

City Hall, Room 301-B

Please note the change in start time. This will be an in-person meeting only - there is no remote option to attend.

Meeting convened: 9:50 A.M.

Also present: Ald. Rainey, Brostoff, Zamarripa, Pratt and Taylor (at 11:30 A.M.)

Present 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, Spiker

1. [230374](#) Communication relating to the fiscal impact of various provisions of 2023 Wisconsin Act 12.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez

Individuals present:

Nik Kovac - Budget Director

Jerry Allen - Employees' Retirement System

Aycha Sawa - Comptroller

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

2. [230375](#) Communication relating to the equity impact of various provisions of 2023 Wisconsin Act 12.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez

Bernadette Karanja - Office of Equity and Inclusion

Preston Cole - Dept. of Administration

Harper Donahue - Dept. of Employee Relations

Jim Bohl - Intergovernmental Relations

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

3. [230359](#) Substitute resolution expressing the City's opposition to various provisions in 2023 Wisconsin Act 12 and directing City representatives to work for their repeal.

Sponsors: STEERING & RULES COMMITTEE

Jim Bohl - Intergovernmental Relations

Justin Moralez - Intergovernmental Relations

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

10 a.m.

4. [230376](#) Substitute resolution directing the City Attorney's Office to review the legality of provisions contained in 2023 Wisconsin Act 12 relating to the City of Milwaukee.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Ald. Dimitrijevic, Bauman and Zamarripa added as co-sponsors.

Todd Farris - City Attorney's Office

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

5. [230338](#) Substitute resolution relating to possible legal action to overturn certain provisions of 2023 Wisconsin Act 12 and allocating American Rescue Plan Act funds for the Office of Equity and Inclusion and the Office of African-American Affairs.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez, Ald. Rainey, Ald. Bauman, Ald. Stamper and Ald. Dimitrijevic

Andrea Fowler - Budget Office

Add Ald. Rainey, Bauman, Stamper, Dimitrijevic as co-sponsors.

Jim Owczarski - City Clerk

Ald. Coggs abstaining from using ARPA files, but supports the other portion. She

asks to divide this into two resolutions. Request withdrawn.

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

Aye 6 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, and Borkowski

No 0

Abstain 2 - Coggs, and Spiker

6. [230358](#) A substitute ordinance creating the division of legislative affairs.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez and Ald. Chambers Jr.

*Preston Cole - Director of Administration
Ald. Chambers is also a co-sponsor.*

A motion was made by ALD. BORKOWSKI that this Ordinance be REFERRED WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AND ASSIGNED TO the JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE . This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

7. [230354](#) Substitute resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to apply to the Federal Transit Administration for a Capital Investment Grants Program Small Starts grant to extend the Milwaukee Streetcar to Fiserv Forum and to Brady/Farwell/Prospect, and to enter project development for extensions to Bronzeville and Walker's Point consistent with the plan included in the draft update to the Downtown Area Plan.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

*Kevin Muhs - Dept. of Public Works
Ald. Dimitrijevic asked to be added as a co-sponsor.*

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

Aye 6 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, and Coggs

No 2 - Borkowski, and Spiker

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.: Public Hearing Relating to Item #8 Below

8. [230357](#) A substitute ordinance relating to a city sales and use tax.

Sponsors: Ald. Perez

*Public speakers:
Tim Sheehy - Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce - supports
State Rep. Marisabel Cabrera - supports
State Rep. Kalan Haywood - supports
State Rep. Evan Goyke - supports*

Mark Pelzek -- President of AFSCME - supports
 Peggy Williams-Smith - President and CEO of Visit Milwaukee - supports
 Craig Mastantuono - attorney - supports
 Bruce Westling - involved in commercial real estate - supports
 Dr. Michele Bria - CEO of Journey House and serves on the library board - supports
 Darryl Morion - Forward Latino - supports
 Fire Chief Lipski - supports
 Joel Brennan - President of the Greater Milwaukee Committee - supports
 Dr. Eve Hall - CEO Milwaukee Urban League - supports
 Gerard Randall - EXC Director Milwaukee Education Partnership - supports
 Mike Brady - supports
 Julie Kerksick - supports
 Patina Lawson - doesn't support; wants waste spending cut
 Mark Sain - President of the Trustee Board for the Milwaukee Public Library - supports
 Marty Wall - former city employee - had some questions. No stated position.

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

Aye 6 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Bauman, Murphy, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

Abstain 2 - Stamper, and Coggs

The following files may be placed on file as no longer necessary:

9. [200196](#) Communication from the Democratic Convention Host Committee relating to the 2020 Convention.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

10. [200436](#) Communication from the Fire and Police Commission relating to certain recent investigations.

Sponsors: Ald. Lewis

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

11. [200962](#) Communication from the Mayor's Office and others relating to staffing and appointments to the Fire and Police Commission.

Sponsors: Ald. Johnson

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

12. [221521](#) Communication from various city departments relating to the impacts of a 10%, 20% and 25% budgetary reduction on staffing, operations and services provision and possible fee increases.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 8 - Perez, Dimitrijevic, Stamper, Bauman, Murphy, Coggs, Borkowski, and Spiker

No 0

Meeting adjourned: 3:06 P.M.

Linda M. Elmer

Staff Assistant

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