



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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Brower*

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Wednesday, April 29, 2026

9:00 AM

City Hall Room 301-B

Meeting convened at 9:19 am.

Present 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, Brower

1. [252182](#) 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 \$84,200 for a total estimated cost of \$84,200.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Holly Rutenbeck (DPW)

1st Aldermanic District

N. 37th St.-W. Hampton Ave. to W. Stark St. (ST211260111) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

No public testimony.

Ald. Pratt supports the project.

Ald. Bauman moved approval. There were no objections.

N. 46th St. - W. Hampton Ave. to W. Stark St. (ST211260105) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

No public testimony.

Ald. Pratt supports the project.

Ald. Bauman moved approval. There were no objections.

3rd Aldermanic District

E. Kane Pl. - N. Warren Ave. to N. Pulaski St. (ST211260106) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).

Appear Jason Kuwayama spoke in support and thanked the committee for taking up the issue. He thanked Ald. Brower for the attention to the Third District and for protecting local residents.

Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections.

5th Aldermanic District

N. 81st St. - W. Capitol Dr. to W. Fiebrantz Ave. (ST211260116) Install traffic calming

speed hump(s).
 No public testimony.
 Ald. Westmoreland moved approval. There were no objections.

7th Aldermanic District
 N. 57th St. W. Vienna Ave. to W. Melvina St. (ST211260112) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).
 No public testimony.
 Ald. Jackson supports the project.
 Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections.

12th Aldermanic District
 S. 9th St. - W. Maple St. to W. Mitchell St. (ST211260109) Install traffic calming speed hump(s)
 No public testimony.
 Ald. Perez supports the project.
 Ald. Taylor moved approval. There were no objections.

W. Maple St. - S. 9th St. to S. 10th St (ST211260108) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).
 No public testimony.
 Ald. Bauman moved approval. There were no objections.

13th Aldermanic District
 S. 1st St - W. Armour Ave. to W. Van Norman Ave. (ST211260114) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).
 No public testimony.
 Ald. Westmoreland moved approval. There were no objections.

14th Aldermanic District
 S. 7th St - W. Euclid Ave. to W. Oklahoma Ave. (ST211260110) install traffic calming speed hump(s).
 Appeard Ms. Perez- There is a speeding problem, they will appreciated the speed hump.
 Ald. Dimitrijevic supports the project.
 Ald. Brower moved approval. There were no objections.

S. 7th St. - W. Ohio Ave. to W. Euclid Ave. (ST211260115) Install traffic calming speed hump(s).
 Ald. Dimitrijevic supports the project.
 Ald. Taylor moved approval. There were no objections.

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

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Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

2. [252183](#)

Resolution determining it necessary to make various assessable public improvements at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City engineering cost estimated to be \$40,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$1,260,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Holly Rutenbeck (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

3. [252184](#)

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 \$27,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$254,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Holly Rutenbeck (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

4. [252185](#)

Resolution approving construction of nonassessable public improvements at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City construction cost estimated to be \$5,879,951.53 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$52,438,733.45.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Holly Rutenbeck (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

5. [252210](#) Communication from the Department of Public Works and Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District relating to the causes of and responses to flooding incidents.

Sponsors: Ald. Pratt, Ald. Chambers Jr., Ald. Coggs, Ald. Moore, Ald. Stamper and Ald. Dimitrijevic

Appeared Jerrel Kruschke (DPW Commissioner), Kurt Sprangers (DPW) Kevin Shafer (Executive Director, MMSD) Alderwoman Pratt brought the file forward due to widespread recent flooding, heavy impacts in her district, and constituent questions. Commissioner Jerrel Kruschke summarized events 4-13 to 4-17. (Extreme high winds, heavy forestry impacts, high-rain event) see video for more details. Planned operational change 1: permanent signage and guaranteed street sweeping days in exception parking areas to access curb lanes and reduce debris accumulation. Planned operational change 2: move leaf collection toward a full bagging operation (reduce leaves pushed into parking lanes and prevent curb-lane pile-ups that clog basins). Kevin Shafer (Executive Director, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District) gave a presentation (see video for more details) MMSD serves 29 municipalites and assets approximate 300 miles of regional pipe, two water reclamation facilities, and the deep tunnel. Ald Coggs thanked city staff for around-the-clock work during widespread impacts, while acknowledging public criticism. She encourage DPW to read the e-comments form the public and respond.

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower
No 0

6. [252106](#) Resolution approving a Sixth Amendment to lease agreement with Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for the placement of personal communications services antennas and ancillary equipment at 5600 West Oklahoma Avenue.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Jordan Schettle (Assistant City Attorney)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower
No 0

7. [252128](#) Resolution approving an amendment to lease agreement with T-Mobile Central, LLC for the placement of personal communications services antennas and ancillary equipment at the Southside Health Center at 1640 S. 24th Street.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Jordan Schettle (Assistant City Attorney)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

8. [252231](#)

Resolution authorizing an easement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company on City of Milwaukee property at 5575 North 76th Street, in the 2nd Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Jordan Schettle (Assistant City Attorney)

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Taylor, and Brower

No 1 - Bauman

9. [252139](#)

Substitute resolution relative to acceptance and funding of the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program grant from the Wisconsin Department of Administration.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

No one present

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

10. [251789](#)

An ordinance relating to sidewalk area dining permit fees.

Sponsors: Ald. Dimitrijevic

Appeared Ald. Dimitrijevic. She expressed the change will be a good compromise for our local business partners.

Appeared James Washington (DPW Coordination Manager)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

11. [241250](#)

Substitute resolution directing the Department of Public Works to examine the feasibility of creating a dedicated scattered-site walk

replacements crew.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs, Ald. Pratt, Ald. Chambers Jr., Ald. Moore, Ald. Stamper and Ald. Zamarripa

*Appeared Kevin Muhs (DPW - City Engineer)
Appeared Thomas Wangerin (DPW - Infrastructure)*

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

12. [252223](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the possibility of directing City crews to conduct road repairs on weekends.

Sponsors: Ald. Pratt, Ald. Chambers Jr., Ald. Taylor and Ald. Brower

*This file was discussed together with file 19.
Appeared Kevin Muhs (DPW - City Engineer)
Appeared Zachary Roeder (DPW - Infrastructure)
Appeared Thomas Wangerin (DPW - Infrastructure)*

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

13. [252232](#)

Resolution authorizing the proper City Officers to accept various City-owned utility easements in vacated North 32nd Street and West Wright Street and to execute Quit Claim Deeds, QCD-2894 and QCD-2948 conveying combined and storm sewers to MALO WI, LLC, in the 15th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Robert Seleen (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

14. [252238](#)

Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of a Wisconsin Department of Transportation Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality-City of Milwaukee Route Optimization grant.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appeared Rick Meyers (DPW-Sanitation)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

15. [252239](#) Resolution relating to the development of a plan to create security zones on public rights-of way in areas designated as entertainment districts.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appeared Amber Danyus (Mayor's Liaison Officer)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

16. [260012](#) Resolution consenting to the termination of the common ownership requirement of the properties located at 1245-47 and 1233 North Water Street as it relates to an existing restrictive covenant, in the 4th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

17. [252244](#) Resolution relating to the operation of dockless mobility systems.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appeared Mike Amsden (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

18. [252245](#) An ordinance relating to dockless mobility systems.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Appeared Mike Amsden (DPW)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

19. [260023](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works regarding pothole patching requests and responses including location, timeframe and historical data.

Sponsors: Ald. Moore

Communication File 12 and 19 were discussed together.

Appeared Kevin Muhs (DPW - City Engineer)

Zachary Roeder (DPW - Infrastructure)

Appeared Thomas Wangerin (DPW - Infrastructure)

Alderswoman Moore noted heavy constituent outreach (calls/emails/texts) about widespread potholes after a difficult winter and asked for transparency on DPW's plan to address the issue.

Alderswoman Pratt supported a more aggressive pothole strategy by expanding repair hours (including weekends and earlier starts), citing success in other cities. She emphasized public frustration ("paying for a service") and described safety/quality-of-life impacts for drivers, bikers, and pedestrians; also noted vehicle damage.

Ald. Chambers stressed a desire for more proactive identification of potholes rather than relying only on resident tickets, including documenting potholes seen by city crews.

(see full video for more details)

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

20. [191930](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the status of current and future operations.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

9:30 AM

21. [251863](#)

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

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

ROWSEY, Andrew R *Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License Application*

*The applicant was present.
The item was held due the lack of the presence of the Assistant Attorney.*

ROWSEY, Sheldon R *Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License Application*

*The applicant was present.
The item was held due the lack of the presence of the Assistant Attorney.*

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

Aye 4 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, and Taylor

No 0

Excused 1 - Brower

The following file may be Placed on File as no longer needed:

- 22. [250799](#) A charter ordinance creating a department to be known as the Milwaukee Water Works.

Sponsors: Ald. Spiker

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

Aye 5 - Coggs, Westmoreland, Bauman, Taylor, and Brower

No 0

**Meeting Adjourned at 1:12 pm
Carmen Roman
Staff Assistant**

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