



City of Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ALD. MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC, CHAIR

Ald. Peter Burgelis, Vice-Chair

Ald. Scott P. Spiker, Ald. Milele A. Coggs, and Ald. Sharlen P. Moore

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Wednesday, February 4, 2026

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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Meeting convened at 9:17 a.m.

Present 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, Moore

Also present:

*Bill Christianson, City Comptroller
Bryan Rynders, Budget & Policy Manager
Kathy Brengosz, LRB Fiscal Planning Specialist
Joshua Benson, Capital Finance Manager*

1. [241273](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to labor negotiations.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Burgelis moved that the Finance and Personnel Committee may 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 - Moore, Spiker, Coggs, Burgelis, Dimitrijevic

The meeting convened into closed session at 9:19 a.m.

Present - Moore, Spiker, Coggs, Burgelis, Dimitrijevic

Also present:

*Bill Christianson, City Comptroller
Bryan Rynders, Budget & Policy Manager
Kathy Brengosz, LRB Fiscal Planning Specialist*

Appearing:

Nicole Fleck, DER

Ald. Burgelis moved that the committee convened into open session. There was no objection.

The meeting convened into open session at 9:53 a.m.

Ms. Fleck gave a brief update on upcoming negotiations with Local 215 and MPSO.

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

Aye 4 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Spiker

2. [250946](#) Communication from the Department of Employee Relations relating to classification studies or other studies scheduled for Fire and Police Commission action.

Sponsors: Ald. Moore

Appearing:

Leon Todd, FPC

Miriam Horwitz, FPC Chair

Jackie Carter, DER

Andrea Knickerbocker, DER

There was discussion on the request, history and validity of the existing recruitment flexibility footnote for the Police Chief, and request for a legal opinion on the recruitment flexibility footnote.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

3. [251414](#) Substitute resolution directing all City departments to notify the Finance & Personnel Committee whenever an account balance variance of \$100,000 or more is projected to occur.

Sponsors: Ald. Burgelis

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

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

[251414](#) Substitute resolution directing all City departments to notify the

Finance & Personnel Committee whenever an account balance variance of \$100,000 or more is projected to occur.

Sponsors: Ald. Burgelis

The file was substituted with Proposed Substitute A, relabeled as Substitute 2.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

4. [251413](#) Substitute resolution relating to the listing of City internship opportunities online, on appropriate mobile applications and on social media.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs and Ald. Moore

Ald. Coggs commented on the intent of the file.

Ald. Moore added as a cosponsor.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

5. [251445](#) Substitute resolution directing the Comptroller's Office to develop a fund balance policy.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs, Ald. Burgelis, Ald. Dimitrijevic and Ald. Moore

Ald. Coggs commented on the intent of the file.

Ald. Burgelis, Dimitrijevic, and Moore added as cosponsors.

Mr. Christianson said he would present a fund balance policy at the next meeting with considerations and concerns.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

6. [251456](#) Substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration to examine City and County purchasing opportunities for potential collaboration.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

Rhonda Kelsey, DOA - City Purchasing

Ald. Coggs commented on the intent of the file.

Ms. Kelsey provided a brief update on ongoing conversations between the City and County.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

7. [251451](#) Substitute resolution relating to a master list of City-controlled social media pages.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

David Henke, ITMD

Ald. Coggs commented on the intent of the file.

Mr. Henke was present in support.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

8. [251452](#) Substitute resolution relating to an annual application usage report.

Sponsors: Ald. Coggs

Appearing:

David Henke, ITMD

Ald. Coggs commented on the intent of the file.

Mr. Henke was present in support.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

9. [251667](#) Substitute resolution relating to the creation and maintenance of an inventory of all artificial intelligence products in use by city agencies.

Sponsors: Ald. Spiker

Appearing:

David Henke, ITMD

Ald. Spiker commented on the intent of the file.

Mr. Henke was present in support.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

10. [251582](#)

Resolution relating to approval of funding for the 2026 Department of Administration - Information and Technology Management Division, Public Facility Communications Capital Improvement Program.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

David Henke, ITMD

There was discussion on the intent of the file and projects involved.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

11. [251530](#)

Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of a 2025-2026 Resiliency in Communities After Stress and Trauma (ReCAST) grant.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Yasmine Morton, DCWS

There was discussion on the purpose of the grant, programming activities from the grant, total grant amount, pursuance of new funding sources beyond grant expiration, and request for periodic updates and/or a report of outcomes.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

12. [251580](#)

Resolution authorizing the Department of Employee Relations to extend the contract with Froedtert Workforce Health for the City's wellness program, occupational health, and clinic services.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Molly King, DER

There was discussion on the 1-year contract extension for the City's wellness program and future evaluation of employee needs and provider options.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

13. [251693](#) Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Division amending the 2026 Positions Ordinance relating to position authority for positions in the Department of Public Works - Operations Division

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Chuck Schumacher, DPW-Operations

Mr. Rynders commented on the position authority request.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

14. [251652](#) Communication from the Department of Administration - Budget and Management Analysis Division regarding vacancy requests, fund transfers and equipment requests.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

The vacancy agenda was read.

There was discussion on the 2025 Wages Supplement Fund status, projections for the WRS retirement system, and increased social security expenditures.

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

Aye 4 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Coggs

15. [251654](#) 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, DOA - Purchasing

Ms. Kelsey presented on the contract for approval as contained in the file.

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

Aye 4 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Coggs

16. 251653

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, DOA - Purchasing

Laura Engan, Police Dept.

Capt. Phillip Simmert, Police Dept.

Tony Bueno, DEC

Ms. Kelsey presented on contract waivers issued as contained in the file.

There was discussion on the contract waiver for Flock license plate reader cameras and related services related to funding, renewal of the contract, the City's 31 cameras, utilization of Ring cameras, and concerns from committee members.

Ald. Dimitrijevic and Moore recorded as being in objection to the Flock contract waiver and requested that the contract be brought to the committee for approval review in the future and to undergo a RFP.

There was discussion on the contract waiver for Text-to-911 Functionality relating to accessibility and functionality

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

17. 251697

Communication from the Department of Employee Relations amending the Salary Ordinance to add a percentage increase for Water Repair Worker 2 positions assigned to operate Hydro-Vac equipment in the Department of Public Works - Water Works.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrea Knickerbocker, DER

Jane Islo, DPW - Water Works

There was discussion on the request to incentivize underfill positions to operate the Hydro-Vac equipment.

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

Aye 4 - Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Dimitrijevic

18. 251656 Communication from the Department of Employee Relations amending the Salary and Positions Ordinances relating to clerical or administrative corrections.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Andrea Knickerbocker, DER

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

Aye 4 - Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Dimitrijevic

19. 251659 A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 rates of pay of offices and positions in the City Service.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Dimitrijevic

20. 251657 A substitute ordinance to further amend the 2026 offices and positions in the City Service.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Excused 1 - Dimitrijevic

21. 251568 Communication from the Office of the Comptroller relating to the Audit

of the Election Commission Payroll.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

*Adriana Molina, Comptroller's Office
Bashkim Baca, Comptroller's Office
Colleen Jornlin, Comptroller's Office
Paulina Gutierrez, Election Commission
Maricha Harris, Election Commission*

Presentation was given on the audit relating to findings, conclusions, and recommendations.

There was discussion on the Election Commission's response to and efforts to remediate audit findings and recommendations.

There was a request to follow-up on these findings with a report in a year and for the Election Commission to present on the utilization of 2026 budgeted funds at the next meeting.

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

Aye 5 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Spiker, Coggs, and Moore

No 0

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

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City Clerk's Office**

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