



# City of Milwaukee

City Hall  
200 East Wells Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

## Meeting Minutes JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**ALD. ASHANTI HAMILTON, CHAIR**  
**Ald. Terry Witkowski, Vice-Chair**  
**Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., Ald. Robert Puente, and Ald. Robert  
Donovan**  
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Monday, June 24, 2013

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, 3rd Fl., City Hall

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### Meeting called to order at

**Present** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente, Donovan

**Excused** 1 - Davis

**The Judiciary and Legislation Committee may convene into closed session at 1:30 P.M. on Monday, June 24, 2013 in Room 301-B, City Hall, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney who will render oral or written advice with respect to litigation in which the city is or is likely to become involved and then will go into open session for the regular agenda.**

*Ald. Witkowski moved the Judiciary and Legislation Committee convene into closed session pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney who will render oral or written advice with respect to litigation in which the city is or is likely to become involved and then will go into open session for the regular agenda.*

*Roll call at 1:38 p.m.*

*Ald. Hamilton*

*Ald. Witkowski*

*Ald. Puente*

*Ald. Donovan*

*Individuals present:*

*Joel Plant - MPD Chief of Staff*

*Sue Lappen - Asst. City Atty*

*Michael Simons - City Atty, Prosecution Division*

*Crump - Mayor's Office*

*Richard Withers - LRB*

*Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty*

*Ald. Witkowski moved the Judiciary and Legislation committee go into Open session for the regular agenda.*

1. [121268](#) Appointment of Marquette Baylor to the Equal Rights Commission by the Mayor. (2nd Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Ms. Marquette Baylor*

**A motion was made by ALD. PUENTE that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Davis

2. [130280](#) Reappointment of Stephanie Findley to the Board of Election Commissioners by the Mayor. (6th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. DONOVAN that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Davis

3. [130279](#) Reappointment of David Redemann to the Board of Election Commissioners by the Mayor. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Davis

4. [130278](#) Reappointment of Robert Shelledy to the Ethics Board by the Mayor. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

No 0

Excused 1 - Davis

5. [130277](#) Reappointment of Annie Wacker to the Ethics Board by the Mayor.  
(9th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

Excused 1 - Davis

6. [120010](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Abdullah Shabazz for personal injuries.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty*  
*Paul Novotney - DPW Infrastructure*  
*Mr. Shabazz - claimant*  
*Representing claimant, Atty. George*

*Per Atty. George amount of claim is \$12,000.00*

*Based on testimony from departments, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.*

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

**Roll taken at 2:01 p.m. Ald. Davis arrival.**

**Present** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Puente, Donovan

7. [130219](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Dwight Kuykendall for property damage. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*  
*Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty*  
*Dwight Kuykendall - Claimant*  
*Paul Novotny - DPW Infrastructure*

*Based on testimony from City Atty and DPW, Ald. Davis moved denial.*

**A motion was made by ALD. DAVIS that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

8. [130202](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Ricky Clark for property damage. (6th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Ricky Clark - Claimant*

*Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty*

*Paul Novotny - DPW infrastructure*

*Based on testimony from City Atty and DPW, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.*

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

9. [121714](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Marion Kaiser and Joseph Capol concerning the confiscation of dogs. (14th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

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

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Puente and Donovan

**No** 0

10. [130203](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Jerry Smith for property damage. (7th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Jerry Smith - Claimant*

*Ed Ehrlich - Asst City Atty*

*Randy Krouse - Forestry Department*

*Ms. Katherine Smith - 2906 N 45th St - witness*

*Mr. Ricky Love - witness*

*Pictures submitted by Mr. Krouse were made part of the record by Ald. Puente motion. There were no objections.*

*Based on City Atty and Forestry testimony, Ald. Donovan moved denial.*

A motion was made by ALD. DONOVAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

**Aye** 4 - Witkowski, Davis, Puente and Donovan

**No** 1 - Hamilton

**Roll call at 2:57 p.m. Ald. Puente departure.**

**Present** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis, Donovan

**Excused** 1 - Puente

11. [130201](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Randy Parlee, agent for Great West Casualty Company, for property damage.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Per email from Mr. Parlee, Great West Casualty Company withdrew the appeal for property damage.*

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

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Puente

12. [130209](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Laura Biesterveld for property damage. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Ms. Biesterveld requested to be scheduled for July 15, 2013.*

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

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Puente

13. [130266](#) Resolution relative to legislative bills.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Appearing:*

*Jennifer Gonda - IRD*

*Jo'Mar Hooper - IRD*

*Brenda Wood - CC CC*

*Kim Montgomery - IRD*

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

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Puente

**Meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.**

**Joanna Polanco**

**Staff Assistant**

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