



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. MARK A. BORKOWSKI, CHAIR

Ald. Robert J. Bauman, Vice-Chair

*Ald. Michael J. Murphy, Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr. and Ald.
Larresa Taylor*

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Thursday, March 14, 2024

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened at 9:09 AM

Present 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., Taylor

1. [231756](#) Resolution relating to the acceptance and expenditure of a Cities Forward grant to the City of Milwaukee Election Commission for election administration needs to improve election security, efficiency, and accessibility in the 2024 election cycle.

Appearing:

Sponsor- Ald. Zamarripa

Election Commission Director - Claire Woodall

Sponsors added: Chambers, Bauman, Taylor

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

2. [231433](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2922 N 16th Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District to its former owner Beatrice Carnes/Karen A. Carnes, application made by Evan Carnes (Heir).

This item is back at committee per CC 2/27/24 motion.

Appearing:

Deborah McCollum-Gathing

Tanz Rome

Jim Klajbor

Jennifer Williams

Evan Carnes (Heir) not representative present

A motion was made by ALD. CHAMBERS JR. that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the

following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

3. [231434](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2808-2810 N 48th Street, in the 7th Aldermanic District to its former owner Tyler M. Brown, application made by Columbia Savings & Loan.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

4. [231386](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 7020 W Mill Road, in the 9th Aldermanic District to its former owner, Brenda Marie Ackland c/o Nicole Harvie (POA).

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Jim Klajbor
Jennifer Williams

Nicole Harvie (POA)

DCD amount owed, due by 3/18/24 \$397.75

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

5. [231559](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1800 N 48th Street, in the 10th Aldermanic District, to its former owner Shirley M Fijalkowski.

Appearing:
Deborah McCollum-Gathing
Tanz Rome
Jim Klajbor
Ms. Shirley Fijalkowski

DCD amount due on 3/18/24, \$413.37

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

6. [231057](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Edward Hill.

Appearing:
Clint Muche
Mr Edward Hill
Peter Knox - Tow Lot Manager

Committee members watched a video from the tow lot that showed significant damage, Ald. Chambers moved to settled this claim in the amount of \$13,000.00

After further discussion Ald. Chambers withdrew his motion.

Ald. Borkowski, notwithstanding the City Attorney's recommendation, moved to settle the claim in the amount of \$5,000.00; there were no objections.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

[231057](#)

Substitute resolution relating to the claim of Edward Hill.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

7. [230883](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of William Pietsch for property damage.

Mr. Pietsch request to have item reschedule; he is unable to appear today.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

8. [230524](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Duwone Ellis for property damage.

Appearing:
Clint Muche
Mr Duwone Ellis
Jeff Kluslow - Forestry

Based on city department's testimony and city attorney's recommendation, Ald. Chambers moved denial. There were no objections.

A motion was made by ALD. CHAMBERS JR. that this Resolution be

RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

9. [230843](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Keith Ligler for property damage.

Appearing:
Clint Muche
No show

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

10. [231208](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Susan Templin.

Appearing:
Clint Muche
Mr. & Mrs. Susan Templin with counsel, Atty Douglas Blegen, S.C,
Jeff Kluslow - Forestry

Based on city department's testimony and city attorney's recommendation, Ald. Bauman moved denial.
There were no objections.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

11. [231209](#) Resolution relating to the claims of Mary Whalen and Phillip Chavez.

Per counsel, Atty. Maistelman who asked for this item to be held.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

12. [220177](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Jake Lein, agent for GRIRE 3333 Investments, LLC for property damage.

Mr. Muche advised that after speaking with Milwaukee Water Works relative to Jake Lein as agent for GRIRE 3333 Investments, LLC; The City reached an agreement to resolve this matter. Therefore, this item can be placed on file as no longer needed.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

13. [230365](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Ibiyemi Akua Oladunjoye Ogboni for property damage.

Per Ibiyemi Akua Olandunjoye Ogboni that, is not able to meet on that day and time.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

14. [230278](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Gallun Tannery Row.

Appearing:

Clint Muche

Lori Sheeley

Paul simon

Mark Thompson - on behalf of the Gallun Tannery Row

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

15. [231647](#) An ordinance relating to provisions of the code of ethics.

Ald. Bauman further moved to AMEND the Proposed SUB A and move approval, as amended.

There were no objections.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

- [231647](#) A substitute ordinance relating to provisions of the code of ethics.

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

16. [231646](#) Resolution authorizing the denial of claims for alleged unlawful and alleged excessive tax assessments filed with the City of Milwaukee.
- Appearing:*
Ryan Rynka - Assessor's Office
Hannah Jahn - ACA
- A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor
- No** 0
17. [231695](#) Resolution cancelling real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing tax key numbers on the 2021 and 2022 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.
- A motion was made by ALD. MURPHY that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor
- No** 0
18. [231725](#) Resolution approving expenditure of \$17,500 from the City Attorney's Office Counsel Expert Witness Special Purpose Account and amending the contract with outside legal counsel for provision of legal services to the City of Milwaukee for the Equal Rights Division complaint and any related state or federal court litigation subsequently filed by former Assistant City Attorney Naomi Gehling.
- A motion was made by ALD. CHAMBERS JR. that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor
- No** 0
19. [231737](#) Resolution authorizing settlement of the lawsuit entitled Caitlin Hagness v. City of Milwaukee, et al., U.S. District Court Case No. 23-CV-00891.
- A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor
- No** 0
20. [231755](#) Resolution authorizing settlement of claims in the lawsuit entitled Bell Ambulance v. City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Case Number 23-CV-7712
- A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED**

FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Bauman, Murphy, Chambers Jr., and Taylor

No 0

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Meeting adjourned at 11:56AM

Joanna Polanco

Staff Assistant

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