



City of Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes - Final JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. MICHAEL S. D'AMATO, CHAIR

Ald. Donald F. Richards, Vice Chair

Ald. Marlene Johnson-Odom, Ald. Michael J. Murphy, Ald. Frederick G. Gordon

Staff Assistant, Kathleen Marquardt, 286-2231

Monday, May 21, 2001

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

9:00 A.M.; Meeting Convened: 9:08 A.M.

Present 4 - D'Amato, Richards, Pratt, Murphy

Excused 1 - Gordon

ALD. MURPHY moved that the JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE convene into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin Statutes, for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney who is rendering advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the City with respect to litigation in which the City is involved relative to: File Number 010052---Resolution authorizing payments in accordance with terms of "Final Settlement Agreement" for Federal District Court (E.D. Wis.) action entitled *Colorez, et al. V. City of Milwaukee*, Case No. 98-C-1195.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ald. Murphy, Richards and D'Amato - 3.

Noes: 0.

The motion prevailed.

CLOSED SESSION

ALD. RICHARDS moved that the Judiciary and Legislation Committee convene into open session.

The motion prevailed.

9:20 A.M.

- 1) [010052](#) Resolution authorizing payments in accordance with terms of "Final Settlement Agreement" for federal District Court (E.D. Wis.) action entitled *Colorez, et al. v. City of Milwaukee*, Case No. 98-C-1195. (City Attorney)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 2) [001773](#) Substitute resolution authorizing an Amendment to the Collection Services Contract between the City and the Kohn Law Firm.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 3) [010051](#) Resolution authorizing cancellation of Department of Public Works Invoice No. 71714 dated September 10, 1994 billed to M.J. Construction in the amount of \$6,245.83. (City Attorney)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 4) [010115](#) An ordinance relating to payments into rent-withholding escrow accounts.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Ald. Murphy moved that this file be held in Committee. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Ald. Murphy, Richards and D'Amato - 3.

Noes: 0.

Ald. Richards moved for passage of this ordinance. The motion prevailed.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PASSAGE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 5) [010134](#) Communication from the Equal Rights Commission transmitting their 1999-2000 Annual Report.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Received.

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

9:30 A.M.

- 6) [010088](#) Resolution approving a revised Municipal Court deposit schedule.
(Municipal Court)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 7) [010135](#) Resolution authorizing payment of the claim of Polacheck Property Management on behalf of Sampson Investments, C.I. File No. 01-L-51.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 8) [010001](#) Resolution to settle claim of Attorney Laurie A. Eggert, Eggert Law Office, for defense of various police officers. (City Attorney)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 9) [010036](#) Resolution to cancel real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing various key numbers on the 1999 and 2000 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate. (City Assessor's Office)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

9:45 A.M.

- 10) [010020](#) Appeal of Kimberly Cooper, Casualty Claim Rep. for American Family Insurance on behalf of James & PennieWix relative to claim for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 11) [010021](#) Communication from the City Attorney's Office transmitting a communication from Clarence and Carlene Grim relative to a claim for property damage.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 12) [010077](#) Communication from the City Attorney's Office transmitting a communication from American Family Insurance on behalf of William and Judi Janicek relative to claim for property damage.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 13) [010013](#) Appeal of Rondalyn Perry relative to claim for property damage. (15th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 14) [010078](#) Appeal of Vincent Reed relative to claim for property damage. (10th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

10:00 A.M.

- 15) [010018](#) Appeal of Anne O'Connor & Clifford Blake, III relative to claim for property loss. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 16) [010012](#) Appeal of Tracy Campbell relative to claim for property damage. (6th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 17) [010019](#) Appeal of Suzanne Schicantek relative to claim for property damage. (11th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 2 - D'Amato and Richards

No 1 - Pratt

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 18) [010014](#) Appeal of John Smoody relative to claim for property damage. (13th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Pratt that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 19) [010076](#) Communication from the City Attorney's Office transmitting a communication from Loretta Haynes-Jordan relative to claim for personal injuries.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

10:15 A.M.

- 20) [010079](#) Appeal of Stacey Miller relative to claim for property damage.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Pratt that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 21) [010017](#) Appeal of Sergio Rentas relative to claim for property damage. (2nd Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 22) [010016](#) Appeal of Carol Mangan relative to claim for property damage. (14th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Pratt that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 23) [010015](#) Appeal of Brandon Walls relative to claim for property damage. (2nd Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMEND TO DISALLOW & INDEF. POSTPONE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

10:30 A.M.

- 24) [010009](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2710 West Highland Blvd., in the 4th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate.(Rockie Taylor)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 25) [001725](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2624 North 6th Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Mack Rogers)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 26) [010003](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3403-05 North 3rd Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Annie Wright- Millsapp)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

A motion was made by Ald. Pratt that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 27) [010005](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2349 North Booth Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Joel Bechitsao)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

- 28) [010006](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2463 W. Tamarack Street, in the 7th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Glenn Nimock)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Ald. Pratt that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

29) [010002](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 4531 W. Capitol Drive, in the 10th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Danny Atkins)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Pratt

No 0

Excused 2 - Murphy and Gordon

30) [010004](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1027-29 West Lincoln Avenue, in the 12th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Emilio S. Ramirez, Jr.)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

31) [010008](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2233 North 15th Street, in the 17th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (Tha'Liza S. Brown)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 32) [010007](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2003 North 34th Street, in the 17th Aldermanic District of the City of Milwaukee to its former owner upon payment of all city and county tax liens and any special improvement bonds, with all interest and penalty thereon and all costs as sustained by the City in foreclosing and managing said real estate. (US Bank Trust NA)

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

11:00 A.M.

- 33) [010149](#) Communication from the Milwaukee Commission on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault relative to a 2001-2002 State Legislative Agenda.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Received.

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 34) [010132](#) Resolution directing the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division to seek introduction and passage of state legislation exempting business improvement districts from real and personal property taxation on property owned by such districts.

Sponsors: Ald. Henningsen

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

- 35) [010131](#) Substitute resolution supporting pending federal legislation relating to slavery reparations and directing the Department of Administration-Intergovernmental Relations Division to lobby for its passage.

Sponsors: Ald. Gordon

A motion was made by Ald. Murphy that this matter be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

36) **001528** Substitute resolution relative to various legislative bills.

Sponsors: JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A-350 Oppose, by Ald. Murphy. Prevailed.

A-368 Oppose, by Ald. Richards. Prevailed.

S-159 Support, by Ald. Richards. Prevailed.

SJR-36 Support, by Ald. Murphy. Prevailed.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Richards that this matter be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 3 - D'Amato, Richards and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Pratt and Gordon

Meeting Adjourned: 12:50 P.M.

KATHLEEN M. MARQUARDT
Staff Assistant