



City of Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ALD. ROBERT J. BAUMAN, CHAIR

Ald. Russell W. Stamper, II, Vice-Chair

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Lamont Westmoreland*

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Thursday, September 7, 2023

9:00 AM

City Hall, Room 301-B

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 am

1. [230576](#) Substitute 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 \$50,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$407,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Holly Rutenbeck - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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2. [230577](#) 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 \$282,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$3,357,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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3. [230578](#) Resolution approving construction of nonassessable public improvements at various locations and appropriating funds for these purposes with the City construction cost estimated to be \$840,000 for a total estimated cost of these projects being \$960,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Holly Rutenbeck - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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4. [230506](#) Resolution to dedicate certain City-owned land for public right-of-way purposes at 357 East Howard Avenue, in the 13th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: Ald. Spiker

Rhonda Szalli - Dept. of City Development

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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5. [230623](#) Resolution authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with MV3, LLC to facilitate roadway improvements within the Kneeland Properties in the Menomonee Valley, in the 4th Aldermanic District.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Benjamin Timm - Dept. of City Development

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

6. [230500](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute State/Municipal Agreements for a State-Let Highway Project with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the construction of West Forest Home (STH 24), USH 45 to 45th Street; and to set up funds for construction at an estimated total cost of \$18,665,000 with an estimated City share of \$218,520 and a grantor share of \$18,446,480.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

David Tapia - DPW

The chair is amenable to having periodic updates from the state relating to their pending paving project schedules. Ald. Brostoff made this suggestion as this is not the first time DPW is present, but not the state, and the questions relate to the state.

Held to get input from the local Council member; will be scheduled for the next meeting.

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

7. [230540](#)

Resolution directing the Milwaukee Water Works to obtain Common Council approval prior to implementing a plan for lead service line replacements.

Sponsors: Ald. Dimitrijevic

Held as sponsor not present; will be scheduled for the next meeting.

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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8. [230396](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a document titled "State/Municipal Agreement for a State-Let Highway Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the programming, design, real estate acquisition, and construction of N.

Farwell, E. Bradford (STH 32) from N. Prospect Ave. to N. Lake Drive, and to set up funds for design engineering and real estate acquisition at an estimated total cost of \$1,775,000 with an estimated City share of \$412,500 and a grantor share of \$1,362,500.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

David Tapia - DPW and Kevin Muhs - City Engineer

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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9. [230398](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a document titled "State/Municipal Agreement for a State-Let Highway Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the programming, design, real estate acquisition, and construction of Prospect Ave (STH 32) from E. Wells St. to E. Bradford Avenue, and to set up funds for design engineering and real estate acquisition at an estimated total cost of \$2,185,000 with an estimated City share of \$515,000 and a grantor share of \$1,670,000.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

David Tapia - DPW and Kevin Muhs - City Engineer

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

10. [230616](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a document titled "2nd Revision to State/Municipal Agreement for State-Let Highway Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the programming, design, and construction of the West Villard Avenue Intersections with North 60th Street and with North 51st Street.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

David Tapia - Dept. of Public Works

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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11. [230574](#) Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute document titled "State/Municipal Agreement for a State-Let Local Bridge Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the rehabilitation of the Teutonia Avenue Bridge over the Lincoln Creek and to set up funds for design engineering at an estimated total cost of \$706,450 with an estimated City share of \$141,290 and a grantor share of \$565,160.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Jonathan Thomas - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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12. [230575](#) Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute document titled "State/Municipal Agreement for a State-Let Local Bridge Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the rehabilitation of the North 25th Street Bridge over the Menomonee River and to set up funds for design engineering at an estimated total cost of \$200,250 with an estimated City share of \$40,050 and a grantor share of \$160,200.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Jonathan Thomas - DPW and Kevin Muhs - City Engineer

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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13. [230602](#) Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a 2nd Revision State/Municipal Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to fund design, construction, and procurement costs for the Bike Share Phase 2 project.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Kate Riordan - DPW

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

vote:

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

14. [230603](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a document titled "2nd Revision State/Municipal Financial Agreement for a State-Let Highway Project" with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the electrical service relocation at North Lake Drive between East Newberry Boulevard and East Edgewood Avenue, and to set up funds for electrical service relocation at an estimated total cost of \$31,149.08 with 100% grantor share.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Eng Kie Lee - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

15. [230604](#)

Resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute two documents titled "Cost Sharing Memo of Understanding Between the City of Milwaukee and the City of Greenfield" for the design, construction, and construction engineering of the Powerline Trail Phase 2 project.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Kate Riordan - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

16. [230605](#)

Resolution authorizing City entry into Green Infrastructure Funding Agreements, and Conservation Easements, with MMSD and MPS for MPS properties, in the 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 8th, and 14th Aldermanic Districts.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Solomon Bekele - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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17. [230620](#) Resolution amending the program description of the American Rescue Plan Act-funded Street Lighting Program.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Individuals present:

Kevin Muhs - Dept. of Public Works

Andrea Fowler - ARPA Director

Ald. Milele Coggs (virtual)

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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18. [230621](#) Resolution approving a Small Wireless Facility Master License Agreement with Wisconsin Technology Networking, LLC.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

James Washington - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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19. [230632](#) Resolution relating to acceptance and funding of a 2024 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry grant - Advancing Milwaukee Urban Forestry Workforce Development and Training.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Randy Krause - DPW Forestry

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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20. [230635](#) Resolution authorizing an agreement between Milwaukee Public Schools and the Wisconsin Historical Society to place a historical marker outside North Division High School.

Sponsors: Ald. Stamper

Ald. Stamper

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

21. [230675](#)

Resolution approving a no-cost lease agreement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company for a shared use trail parallel to North 20 Street between West Olive Street and West Villard Avenue.

Sponsors: Ald. Pratt

Ald. Andrea Pratt and Mike Amsden - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

22. [191930](#)

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

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Jerrel Kruschke - DPW - said that they have been working on the permits for special events (249 approved special events in August). He also said that he will communicate with the Common Council members offices about the deadlines and that he hopes that they can be included in the aldermanic newsletters to help DPW through the process of those. He acknowledged that it is the busiest time of the year but that it would be very helpful to follow up the deadlines and that this information is also posted on the website:

<https://city.milwaukee.gov/dpw/AdministrativeServices/SpecialEvents>

PLEASE BE ADVISED: ALL Special Event Permit Applications must be completed and submitted on-line at least 30 DAYS prior to the event date and ALL Block Party Permit Applications must be submitted on-line at least TWO WEEKS prior to the event date.

As for Operations, Mr. Kruschke said that this is the time of the year when they are making the transition for the fall and snow season. He added that the last mow parallel to freeways is coming in October along with the vacant lot maintenance and that they are going through the 7th mowing cycle. He also said that they have 2 meetings coming up with the staff to plan for the fall and snow season and move forward.

Mr. Pauly - Water Works Superintendent - was here to discuss the water main break on Wisconsin and Broadway. He said that last Wednesday at 4:15 pm the system operations noticed the large water pressure drop. He added that the crew got a controlled isolation around 6:30 pm but that they did not know the damage until WE Energies tried to go into their manhole and noticed that the walls were washed away for a significant area below the pavement on Thursday. He explained that this situation stopped the street car from running to avoid a mayor damage and to not compromise

the tracks at all. He also said that WE Energies worked overnight (Thursday) to bridge customers to a nearby line and that on Friday afternoon WE Energies cleared the zone to allow DPW to remove the pavement. Mr. Pauly said that the contractor removed the pavement and the debris from the WE Energies manhole, worked on assess those lines, formed up the walls to be re poured and that late Sunday, WE Energies authorized the contractor to work on the main repair which it started on Monday. He added that they faced challenges like other utilities have been built very close or next to, partially over, sometimes crossing or running above for long stretches. He mentioned that there was a stop because WE Energies wanted to re-energize their lines in the damaged manhole for Tuesday morning (8 hr time frame). He added that they have continued working on the area and that it seems that it is going to be ready for next week's Monday and not on Saturday as they planned initially due another issue with a steam duct that required partial removal in order to install the new pipe.

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

23. [211119](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the status of Traffic-Calming and Complete Streets projects to address reckless driving and to provide a safer infrastructure for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Sponsors: Ald. Bauman

Mike Amsden - DPW

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

24. [230386](#)

Communication from the Department of Public Works relating to the feasibility of various improvements to a portion of N. Water St.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

No 0

25. [230411](#)

Communication relating to semi-annual reporting to the Common Council by the Milwaukee Water Works and the Department of Public Works regarding lead service line replacements.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Patrick Pauly and Michelle Deterajan - Dept. of Public Works

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

Aye 5 - Bauman, Stamper, Zamarripa, Brostoff, and Westmoreland

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Meeting adjourned: 11:49 A.M.

Linda M. Elmer

Staff Assistant

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