



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ALD. MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC, CHAIR

Ald. Scott Spiker, Vice-Chair

Ald. Milele A. Coggs, Ald. Michael J. Murphy, and Ald. Mark Chambers, Jr.

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Thursday, October 12, 2023

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, Third Floor, City Hall

2024 BUDGET HEARINGS

This is also a virtual meeting. Those wishing to view the proceedings are able to do so via the City Channel - Channel 25 on Spectrum Cable - or on the Internet at <http://city.milwaukee.gov/citychannel>.

Meeting convened at 9:20 a.m.

Present 5 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, Coggs, Murphy, Chambers Jr.

Also present:

*Aycha Sawa, City Comptroller
Nik Kovac, Budget Director
Keith Broadnax, LRB Manager
Tea Norfolk, LRB Fiscal Planning Specialist*

1. [230001](#) Communication from the Mayor relating to the proposed 2024 budget.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

-Dept. of Neighborhood Services

Appearing:

*Shaketa Winters, Budget Office
Erica Roberts, DNS Commissioner
Kristin Reed, DNS Operations Director
Tanz Rome, DNS Finance & Admin. Manager
Pres. Jose Perez, Common Council/12th Ald. Dist.
Ald. Jonathan Brostoff, 3rd Ald. Dist.
Jeff Zagar, Development Center Operations Manager
Brian Kaufmann, DNS
Jennifer Klouda, DNS
Sha'Nese Burnell-Jones, DNS*

*Ald. Russell Stamper, II, 15th Ald. Dist.
Stephanie Samarripa, DNS
Chris Kraco*

*Ms. Winters, Commissioner Roberts, Director Reed, and Manager Rome gave a Dept. of Neighborhood Services presentation on the following:
2024 Budget Summary, Salaries and Positions, Operating Expenses, Special Funds, Special Purpose Accounts, Revenues, Capital Expenses, Org Chart, Core Services, Department Demographics, Key Performance Indicators, 2024 Major Updates, Demolition/Condemnation, Development Center, Racial Equity & Inclusion*

Ald. Dimitrijevic requested for written information on climate and equity initiatives from DNS and a memo on the status, timeline, and amount of ARPA-funded contracted demolitions.

Ald. Murphy requested for survey results on the Development Center; and clarity on the administration, process, funding source, costs, impact on the code enforcement sections, and budget amendment solutions (Ald. Dimitrijevic) related to the staffing of additional inspectors to inspect HACM properties.

Ald. Brostoff said for there to be exploration of ideas to reduce permitting process times, including possibly raising permitting fees in order to add staff capacity to the Development Center.

Ald. Coggs requested data on vacancies and offices with the most vacancies in DNS and a mapping of illegal dumping sites.

Ald. Stamper requested the costs associated with DNS cleanups of illegal dumping sites.

11 A.M.

Meeting recessed at 12:11 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:54 p.m.

[230001](#)

Communication from the Mayor relating to the proposed 2024 budget.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

-Dept. of City Development

Appearing:

*Sarah Osborn, Budget Office
Lafayette Crump, DCD Commissioner
Vanessa Koster, DCD Deputy Commissioner
Ald. Russell Stamper, II, 15th Ald. Dist.
Amy Turim, DCD Real Estate
David Schroeder, DCD*

*Ms. Osborn, Commissioner Crump, and Deputy Commissioner Koster gave a Dept. of City Development presentation on the following:
2024 Budget Summary, Salaries and Positions, Operating Expenses, Special Funds,*

Special Purpose Accounts, Revenues, Capital Expenses, Key Performance Indicators, Demographics, Mission, 2024 Major Updates (Neighborhoods Revitalization & Stabilization, Growing MKE, Investment & Economic Vitality, Commercial Corridors, BIDS, NIDs), RACM

Ald. Dimitrijevic said there should be exploration for a one stop (unified) shop between multiple departments to assist small businesses with their processes involving licensing, permitting, occupancy, and financial resources; and requested for a copy or calculation information on the HACM PILOT.

Ald. Murphy asked for there to be exploration to prioritize and add funding to the Commercial Investment program, a listing of locations for the new TIDs, strategic planning to add capacity to the Real Estate team, and discussion with banks and big corporations to pool funds together to spark business development.

Ald. Stamper asked to get information regarding Commercial Corridor grants and Brew City match by aldermanic districts.

Ald. Chambers asked to get historical proposed budget appropriation amounts for the Commercial Investment program.

Ald. Coggs requested for a list and timeline of City-owned residential properties marketed and not marketed for sale and their status, tools to help the Healing Spaces program for vacant lots, information regarding the use of shipping containers for home building purposes, and further efforts to invest into neighborhoods.

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

Aye 3 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Coggs, and Chambers Jr.

2. [230555](#)

Resolution relating to the adoption of the proposed 2024 budget for the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

This file was considered at the same time along with the budget hearing for Dept. of City Development under agenda item 1.

Appearing:

Sarah Osborn, Budget Office

Lafayette Crump, DCD Commissioner

Vanessa Koster, DCD Deputy Commissioner

David Misky, DCD/RACM

Commissioner Crump and Deputy Commissioner Koster gave a Dept. of City Development presentation on the following:

RACM, RACM Tools for Economic Development, RACM 2024 Budget Components, RACM 2023 Highlights

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

Aye 3 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, and Murphy

No 0

Excused 2 - Coggs, and Chambers Jr.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

**Chris Lee, Staff Assistant
Council Records Section
City Clerk's Office**

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<http://milwaukee.legistar.com/calendar>.**