



# City of Milwaukee

City Hall  
200 East Wells Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

## Meeting Minutes

### FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

*ALD. MARINA DIMITRIJEVIC, CHAIR*

*Ald. Scott P. Spiker, Vice-Chair*

*Ald. Peter Burgelis, Ald. Milele A. Coggs, and Ald. Sharlen P. Moore*

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Wednesday, October 9, 2024

12:00 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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#### 2025 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 12:36 p.m.

**Present** 5 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, Burgelis, Coggs, Moore

**Also present:**

*Charles Roedel, Deputy Comptroller  
Nik Kovac, Budget Director  
Keith Broadnax, LRB Manager  
Kathy Brengosz, LRB Fiscal Planning Specialist*

1. [240001](#) Communication from the Mayor relating to the proposed 2025 budget.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*-Health Department*

*Appearing:*

*Sarah Osborn, Budget Office  
Mike Totoraitis, Health Commissioner  
Aaron Szopinski, Budget & Administration Manager  
Erica Wright, Deputy Commissioner (Family & Community Health)  
Ald. Larresa Taylor, 9th Ald. Dist.  
Tyler Weber, Deputy Commissioner (Consumer Environmental Health)  
Jefflyn Brown, Deputy Commissioner (Clinical Services)*

*Ms. Osborn and Health Department representatives gave a Health Department presentation on the following:*

*2025 Budget Summary, Salaries and Positions, Operating and Equipment, Special Funds, Capital, Revenues, Org & Functions Chart, 2024 Successes & Challenges, 2025 Priorities & Goals, 2025 Non-Levy Budget, 2025 Unified Budget, Policy Innovation & Equity (Advancing Racial Equity, 2025 Strategic Goals), Family and Community Health (2025 Goals), Clinical Service (MHD Laboratory, 2025 Goals, Emergency Preparedness), Consumer Environmental Health (Lead Case Management, Lead Hazard Reduction, Climate & Equity Implementation), Department Demographics*

*Further details of this presentation can be found within the file.*

*Members and participants questioned and discussed retention of staff with salary adjustments, lead case management and abatement, vacancies, STI disease testing, lead abatement special funds placed into the tax levy, lead rental inspection, payment collection efforts (inspection fees, citations, special assessments, exploring other strategies) from lead home violations, streamlining efforts (exploring technology solutions) for permits and licenses, changes for lead contractor requirements (leveraging new purchasing buying plan), development of lead intervention responsiveness long-term strategies (lacking but will be worked on), increased salaries from market studies, education requirements for certain positions, opioid settlement funds and use of those funds (MORI program support), neighborhood nursing pilot program, lead abatement case capacity, reduction in Well Women Health positions, plans to close infant mortality disparity (MCW collaborations, philanthropic partnerships, mapping of efforts), pivoting of PNCC into other programs, bilingual positions, service impacts from budget cuts*

*Ald. Spiker requested for further information on staff retention and vacancies based on market study impacts and to meet with the Commissioner privately to discuss further the Health Department's activities to address the opioid issue.*

*Ald. Dimitrijevic asked the Health Department to look at and consider the Zilber Bridge Project program.*

**This Communication was NOT ACTED ON**

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

**Aye** 4 - Dimitrijevic, Burgelis, Coggs, and Moore

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Spiker

**Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.**

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

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