



City of Milwaukee

City Hall
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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 16, 2024

9:00 AM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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 9:21 a.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.

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-Port Milwaukee

*Appearing:
Angelique Pettigrew, Budget Office
Jackie Carter, Port Director
Brian Kasprzyk, Harbor Engineer*

Ms. Pettigrew and Port representatives gave a Port Milwaukee presentation on the following:

2025 Budget Summary, Special Funds, Revenues, Capital Improvement, Service Delivery, Department Demographics, Key Performance Measures, Climate Equity, Equity & Community Engagement, Major Updates, City Heavy Lift Dock, Costs & Economic Impact

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

Members and participants questioned and discussed the wetland areas, Lake Express ferry, development of public land, revenues (Summerfest, Cruise Ship Terminal), cruise ships (docking, tourism, visits), new sauna development, winter and year round vessel activities, acreage available for lease, plans for vacant parcels, Summerfest (lease, police service fee), youth recruitment/internship (Earn and Learn, need for a curriculum), lessons learned or impact from port strikes elsewhere, community events (Doors Open), special visits, Capital Asset Renewal Plan, tonnage (decrease, cargo diversity)

Ald. Spiker requested for cruise traveler data collected by VISIT MKE.

This Communication was NOT ACTED ON

-Election Commission

Appearing:

Tyler Calligaro, Budget Office

Paulina Gutierrez, Election Commission Executive Director

Mr. Calligaro and Director Gutierrez gave an Election Commission presentation on the following:

2025 Budget Summary, Salaries and Positions, Operating Expenses, Capital, Org Chart, Core Services, Key Performance Indicators, 2025 Major Updates, Department Demographics, Racial Equity & Inclusion, Environmental Considerations

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Members and participants questioned and discussed developing more meaningful key performance indicators, poll worker recruitment and training, early voting (public campaign, registration, training, demographics, diversity, bilingual service), preparation and operations for Fall general election (collaborations, security), absentee voting and ballots (correcting errors, staffing, spot checking, mailing, processing, central count), replacement of balloting machines, FTE vacancies, ADA compliance assessment, secure management/handling of ballot drop boxes, development of internal procedures, leveraging of City resources (City staff, interns), city-state legislative agenda and challenges, revenue options through grants (prohibited or limited), ballot language translation options, tracking/reporting of voting result status

Ald. Spiker requested a historical comparison of turnout for all elections, further breakdown of poll worker demographics and trends, historical data on absentee voting/balloting and trends,

Ald. Moore requested for poll worker capacity needs between the different elections.

This Communication was NOT ACTED ON

-Comptroller

Appearing:

Angelique Pettigrew, Budget Office

William Christianson, City Comptroller

Charles Roedel, Deputy Comptroller

*Joshua Benson, Capital Finance Manager
Adriana Molina, Audit Manager*

Ms. Pettigrew and Comptroller representatives gave a Comptroller's Office presentation on the following:

2025 Budget Summary, Special Purpose Accounts, Revenues, Org Chart and Demographics, Equity, Administration, General Accounting, Revenue & Cost, Payroll Administration, Internal Audit, Financial Advisory, Public Debt, Systems Support, Key Performance Indicators, Climate

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Members and participants questioned and discussed Tax Stabilization Fund withdrawal, general fund revenues and balance (like to see growth), assistance provided to Milwaukee Public Schools (sharing of information, audit recommendations), bonding (bond rating based on physical infrastructure assets, TSF, debt bonding, green bonding, pursuing more bonding debt), Public Debt Amortization Fund withdrawal, Wage and Supplement Fund balance, audit selection process and method (recurring audits, risk assessment), personnel engaged with ERP project (providing support)

Ald. Dimitrijevic requested for information on impacts caused by pursuance of additional debt bonding.

This Communication was NOT ACTED ON

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 4 - Dimitrijevic, Spiker, Burgelis, and Coggs

No 0

Excused 1 - Moore

Meeting adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

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

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