



City of Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53202

Meeting Minutes

JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ALD. MARK A. BORKOWSKI, CHAIR

Ald. Cavalier Johnson, Vice-Chair

Ald. Robert J. Bauman, Ald. Jose G. Perez, and Ald. Terry L. Witkowski

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Monday, October 30, 2017

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

Meeting convened at 1:32 PM

Present 3 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez

Excused 2 - Bauman, Witkowski

1. [170949](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 5316 N. 51st Boulevard, in the 1st Aldermanic District to its former owner Cleveland Allen.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor

Stephanie O'connor

Kerry Urban

*Cleveland Allen by Mohammad Owaynat for Estate of
611 W National Ave 53204*

2014-2016 delinquent taxes

if paid by November \$10,038.14

if paid by December 7, 2017 \$10,142.74

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

2. [170994](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 4340 N. Teutonia Avenue, in the 1st Aldermanic District to its former owner Willie Peavey.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Karen Taylor
Stephanie O'connor
Kerry Urban
Willie Peavy Jr.

Litter Clean up fees of \$101.40 due by November 6, 2017

2015-2016 delinquent taxes
if paid by November \$4,185.45
if paid by December 7, 2017 \$4,237.57

Other properties owned by applicant
3555 N 9th St
PAID IN FULL

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

3. [170806](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1971-1977 W. Capitol Drive, in the 6th Aldermanic District to its former owner 1971 WEST CAPITOL DRIVE CO.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Via phone call on 10/27/17 per Mr. Margoles, to postpone until November 20th meeting.

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

4. [170862](#)

Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3536-3538 N 22nd Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District to its former owner Christopher Shumpert.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Karen Taylor
Stephanie O'connor
Kerry Urban
Christopher Shumpert

2014 & 2016 delinquent taxes

if paid by November \$5,497.20
if paid by December 7, 2017 \$5,562.36

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

5. [170958](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2723 N. 5th street, in the 6th Aldermanic District to its former owner Luis Padron C/O Adedara Atandare.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Karen Taylor
Stephanie O'Connor
Kerry Urban
Luis Padron

Reinspection fees of \$2,741.60 due November 6, 2017

2014-2016 delinquent taxes
if paid by November \$17,806.80
if paid by December 7, 2017 \$18,021.77

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

6. [170957](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 3621 W. Hampton Avenue, in the 7th Aldermanic District to its former owner Bishop's Creek Community Development Corp..

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:
Karen Taylor
Stephanie O'Connor
Kerry Urban
Darin Daniels Representative for Bishop's Creek Community Development Corp.

outstanding charges at 3215 W Hampton Ave \$1,356.09 due by November 6, 2017

2015-2016 delinquent taxes
if paid by Novemeber \$5,201.03
if paid by December 7, 2017 \$5,263.09

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Bauman

7. [170845](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 1802 S. 31st Street, in the 8th Aldermanic District to its former owner Jose M. Lopez and Brenda B. Lopez.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor

Emily Mckeown

Kerry Urban

Jose Lopez & Brenda B Lopez

2014-2016 delinquent taxes

if paid by November \$22,168.37

if paid by December 7, 2017 \$22,415.70

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

8. [170993](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the return of real estate located at 2061 S. 30th Street, in the 8th Aldermanic District to its former owner Marixa Rodriguez (Application made by BMO Harris Bank, mortgagee).

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Karen Taylor

Stephanie O'connor

Kerry Urban

BMO Harris Bank Rep., Sara Gallis

2015-2016 delinquent taxes

if paid by November \$9,116.27

if paid by December 7, 2017 \$9,227.37

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 0

Excused 2 - Bauman and Witkowski

Roll taken at 1:43 PM

Present 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez, Witkowski

Excused 1 - Bauman

9. [171040](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Glenn Allen for property damage. (4th Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Bauman

10. [170960](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Rashedi Moore for property damage. (2nd Aldermanic District)

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Patricia Fricker - ACA

Jeff Kluslow - Forestry

Ms. Moore

Ald. Borkowski moved to pay this appeal in the amount of \$1,000.00

Motion prevailed 3-1

A motion was made by ALD. BORKOWSKI that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 1 - Witkowski

Excused 1 - Bauman

[170960](#)

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Johnson and Perez

No 1 - Witkowski

Excused 1 - Bauman

11. [170947](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Thomas Czerniejewski for property damage. (14th Aldermanic District)
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*
Atty. on behalf of Mr. Czerniejewski
Patricia Fricker - ACA
- Based on City Department's testimony, Ald. Witkowski moved denial.*
- A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez and Witkowski
- No** 0
- Excused** 1 - Bauman
12. [171015](#) Resolution authorizing settlement of lawsuit, William Avery, et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al. consisting of the payment of \$1,987,012.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- A motion was made by ALD. JOHNSON that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski
- No** 0
13. [171001](#) Resolution authorizing payment of the claim of Jeffry Cullen, in the amount of \$25,000.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*
Miriam Horwitz - Deputy City Attorney
- A motion was made by ALD. PEREZ that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**
- Aye** 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez and Witkowski
- No** 0
- Excused** 1 - Bauman
14. [170952](#) Resolution cancelling real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing various key numbers on the 2010, 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.
- Sponsors:** THE CHAIR
- Appearing:*

Peter Bronek - Chief Assessor

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

Aye 4 - Borkowski, Johnson, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Excused 1 - Bauman

15. [161218](#)

Communication from the various City departments and parties relating to difficulties in gaining code compliance, collection of inspection fees and code non-compliance fines, and collection of property taxes on properties owned by limited liability companies.

Sponsors: Ald. Witkowski

Appearing:

Ald. Witkowski - sponsor

Kail Decker - ACA

A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Communication be RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE. This motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Bauman

16. [171041](#)

Resolution relating to implementing certain recommendations to address problems in the City's housing environment caused by Limited Liability Corporations.

Sponsors: Ald. Witkowski

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

Aye 3 - Borkowski, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Excused 2 - Johnson and Bauman

17. [170937](#)

Communication from the Fire and Police Commission relating to updates and current activities.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

MaryNell Regan - FPC Director

FPC Chair, Steven DeVougas

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

Roll taken at 2:20 PM

Present 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez, Witkowski

18. [171046](#) Resolution directing the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division to seek introduction and passage of legislation altering the ages at which young people are eligible for certain types of employment.

Sponsors: Ald. Johnson

Appearing:

Sponsor - Ald. Johnson

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

19. [171036](#) Resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

Appearing:

Kim Montgomery - IRD

Greg Hagopian - ACA

Claire Evers - Consumer Health Director Milwaukee Health Department

LaKeisha Butler - Director IRD

Mary Nell Regan - Exc Director FPC

Senator Lena Taylor

AB-479/SB-387

Watch and report

AB-480/SB-388

Watch and report

AB-507/SB-414

position to support if include amendment by Ald. Bauman

LRB-436/LRB-4368

position to opposed

A motion was made by ALD. BAUMAN that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED.

This motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

[171036](#)

Substitute resolution relative to legislative bills.

Sponsors: THE CHAIR

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

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

--- The Following may be placed on file as no longer necessary.

20. [150772](#) Resolution amending Common Council Resolution File Number 150164 relating to fast-tracking of property tax collections for vacant or abandoned buildings.

Sponsors: Ald. Witkowski

A motion was made by **ALD. WITKOWSKI** that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR PLACING ON FILE**. This motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye 5 - Borkowski, Johnson, Bauman, Perez and Witkowski

No 0

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Meeting adjourned at 4:31 PM

Joanna Polanco

Staff Assistant

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