



# City of Milwaukee

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## Meeting Minutes JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**ALD. ASHANTI HAMILTON, CHAIR**

**Ald. Terry Witkowski, Vice-Chair**

**Ald. James Bohl, Jr., Ald. Joe Davis, Sr., and Ald. Robert Donovan**

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Thursday, March 12, 2009

1:30 PM

Room 301-B, City Hall

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*Meeting convened: 1:36 P.M.*

**Present** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis, Donovan

1. [081565](#) Appointment of Ivan Gamboa to the Equal Rights Commission by the Mayor. (8th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

2. [081560](#) Appointment of Jerry Broitzman to the Board of Assessment by the Mayor. (5th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Held as the nominee could not be present.*

**A motion was made by ALD. DAVIS that this Appointment be HELD TO CALL OF THE CHAIR. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

3. [081556](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the denial of claims filed with the City of Milwaukee.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individual present: Vince Moschella - City Attorney's Office*

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

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

No 0

4. [081411](#)

Substitute resolution relative to various legislative bills.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individuals present:*

*Paul Vornholt - Intergov. Relations*

*Susan Edman - Election Commission*

*Brenda Wood - Common Council/City Clerk's Office*

*Katherine Block - City Attorney's Office*

*Ald. Witkowski moved for support of the recommendations of the Budget Priorities list attached to the file. Prevailed. 5-0*

*Ald. Bohl moved to support item #3 (prohibiting compensation for paying individuals to register electors) in the Election Reform Package. Prevailed. 4-1 (Ald. Hamilton voting "no")*

*Ald. Davis and Ald. Donovan are opposed to item #6 in the Election Reform Package.*

*Ald. Witkowski moved for support of the remaining recommendations in the Election Reform Package. Prevailed. 5-0*

*Action was held on AB-50 and it will be considered at another time.*

*Ald. Bohl moved for support to add to the legislative package a statute to provide that properly signed and issued parking citations constitute prima facie evidence of facts therein. Prevailed. 5-0*

*Ald. Witkowski moved for support to change the penalties for parking violations in s. 346.56, Wis. Stats., to remove the differentiation between first and second offenses. Prevailed. 4-0 (Ald. Donovan excused)*

**A motion was made by ALD. DAVIS that this Resolution be SUBSTITUTED. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl and Davis

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Donovan

[081411](#)

Substitute resolution relative to various legislative bills.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*RECESS: 2:28 P.M.*

*RECONVENE: 2:33 P.M.*

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

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl and Davis

**No** 0

Excused 1 - Donovan

5. [081574](#) Substitute resolution supporting state legislation requiring electronic seat check reminders on school buses and childcare vans.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs and Ald. Davis

*Held at the request of the sponsor.*

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

**Aye** 3 - Hamilton, Witkowski and Donovan

**No** 0

Excused 2 - Bohl and Davis

6. [081575](#) Substitute resolution supporting state legislation relating to distance requirements between certain alcohol beverage licensed establishments and child daycare centers.

**Sponsors:** Ald. Coggs and Ald. Davis

*Held at the request of the sponsor.*

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

**Aye** 3 - Hamilton, Witkowski and Donovan

**No** 0

Excused 2 - Bohl and Davis

**Items below will be heard no earlier than 2:30 P.M.**

7. [081481](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Nathan Gabor on behalf of Gabor Design Build, LLC in the amount of \$9,259.75.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

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

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

Excused 1 - Bohl

8. [081497](#) Resolution relating to an appeal from Nina Darty for property damage. (7th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individual present: Sgt. Shannon Seymer-Tabaska - Milwaukee Police Dept.*

**A motion was made by ALD. DONOVAN that this Resolution be**

**RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion FAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 2 - Witkowski and Donovan

**No** 3 - Hamilton, Bohl and Davis

*Held so a written receipt showing payment for damages can be obtained or the handyman present to testify as to the payment for the damages.*

*Motion to hold takes precedence over the motion of Ald. Davis to grant in the amount of \$431.50.*

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

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

9. [081490](#)

Resolution relating to the claim of Michael & Lisa Higgins relating to property damage.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Claimants not present.*

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

10. [081495](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Gregory Wenzel for loss of property. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Claimant not present.*

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

11. [081258](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Robert Skalla for property damage and lost wages.

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individuals present:*

*Wayne King - Buildings and Fleet*

*Robert Skalla - claimant*

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED**

by the following vote:

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

12. [081402](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Shelly Field for property damage. (3rd Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individuals present:*

*Paul Novotny - Dept. of Public Works*

*Sheldon Field - claimant*

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

13. [081496](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Mark Harris for property damage. (3rd Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Individuals present:*

*Dave Lawrence - Tow Lot*

*Mark Harris - claimant*

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 4 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl and Davis

**No** 1 - Donovan

14. [081494](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Wayne Pringle for property damage. (10th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

15. [081493](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Kevin Ball for property damage. (7th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Claimant not present.*

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED**

**FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

16. [081259](#)

Resolution relating to an appeal from Patty Eggers for property damage. (14th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

*Held at the request of the claimant.*

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

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

17. [081562](#)

Reappointment of Martha Toran to the Ethics Board by the Mayor. (6th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. WITKOWSKI that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

18. [081563](#)

Reappointment of Devon Turner to the Ethics Board by the Mayor. (4th Aldermanic District)

**Sponsors:** THE CHAIR

**A motion was made by ALD. BOHL that this Appointment be RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye** 5 - Hamilton, Witkowski, Bohl, Davis and Donovan

**No** 0

*Meeting adjourned: 3:44 P.M.*

*Linda M. Elmer*

*Staff Assistant*

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