



City of Milwaukee

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Meeting Minutes

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Monday, April 26, 2021

1:30 PM

Virtual Meeting
City Hall, Room 301-B

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Meeting convened at 1:38PM

Present 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman, Murphy

1. [201576](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Gregg and Sheryl Bolt for refund of property tax payment.

Appearing:

Mr. & Ms. Bolt

Deputy CA Robin Pederson

Hannah Jahn - ACA

Mr. Bolt, as people of integrity they are, Mr. Bolts are willing to accept 2 months of penalties and interest, in the amount of \$443.23 and asked that the City compromises by reimbursing them the amount of \$1,329.00, non precedent base.

Ald. Bauman agrees and moved the claim be granted in the amount of \$1,329.00

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

Aye 2 - Hamilton and Bauman

No 3 - Dodd, Spiker and Murphy

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

Aye 3 - Dodd, Spiker and Murphy

No 2 - Hamilton and Bauman

2. [201469](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Kenyetta Dowthard for property damage.

appearance:
Mr. Kemyetta Dowthard
Tyron St Junior ACA

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

3. [201245](#) Resolution relating to the claim of Chiah Hayes.

Appearance:
Ms. Chia Hayes
Tyrone St Junior
Nick DeSiato - Chief MPD
Sgt. Erin Mejias - MPD

Mr. St Junior explained that this item comes as a result of a warrant in a joint effort from the Milwaukee Police Department to assist the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The department did not act negligently in executing the warrant. House was in state of disrepair.

Based on the explanation and testimony of the assistant city attorney, Ald. Dodd ask for this item to be held, to further investigate this claim; to review payments made, citations issues to Ms. Hayes; Ald. Dodd rescinded the motion to hold.

Ald. Dodd moved to settle this claim in the amount of \$5,000.00.

Ald. Bauman moved to amend motion to adjust the amount and moved to settle the claim in the amount of \$7,500.00.

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

Aye 3 - Hamilton, Dodd and Bauman

No 2 - Spiker and Murphy

[201245](#)

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

Aye 3 - Hamilton, Dodd and Bauman

No 2 - Spiker and Murphy

4. [201577](#) Resolution relating to the appeal of Sara Clemons for property damage.

Appearance:

*Sara Clemons
Tyrone St. Junior - ACA
Nick DeSiato - Chief of Staff MPD*

Based on City Attorney's recommendation and testimony, and the fact that claimant no longer has the vehicle. Ald. Bauman moved denial.

This Resolution was RECOMMENDED FOR DISALLOWANCE & INDEF. POSTPONEMENT

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

5. [201529](#) Resolution relating to the claim of St. Anthony Parish School.

Appearance:

*Ms. Jen Borkmeier representing Catholic Mutual Group - St. Anthony Parish
Mr. William Fick - St. Anthony Parish
Tyrone St. Junior - ACA
Nick DeSiato - MPD
Sgt. Erin Mejia - MPD*

Based on the City Attorney's recommendations and St. Anthony Parish School staff's testimony, Ald. Bauman moved to settled this claim in the amount of \$7,960.00

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

Aye 1 - Bauman

No 4 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker and Murphy

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

Aye 3 - Dodd, Spiker and Murphy

No 2 - Hamilton and Bauman

6. [191831](#) Communication from the Crime and Justice Institute relating to a status update on the implementation of the settlement of the lawsuit Collins. et al. v. City of Milwaukee, et al.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

7. [201682](#) Substitute resolution authorizing the cancellation of uncollectible receivables relative to the Milwaukee Fire Department.

Appearance:

Yvette Rowe - MFD Business Operation Manager

Chief Lipski

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

8. [201680](#)

Resolution cancelling real estate taxes levied against certain parcels bearing tax key numbers on the 2019 and 2020 tax rolls, plus interest applicable to date of repayment, if appropriate.

Appearance:

Peter Bronek - Assessor's Office

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

9. [201702](#)

Resolution approving contract for legal services between the City of Milwaukee and Nathan & Kamionski LLP to advise and provide counsel to the City of Milwaukee in relation to the notice of claim of Ladarius Marshall.

Appearance:

Deputy CA Robin Pederson

Spencer Tearman - City Attorney

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

10. [201648](#)

Communication from the City Attorney's Office relating to proposed state legislation that would eliminate public official immunity as a defense to civil liability claims against law enforcement officers and prohibit indemnification for judgments against law enforcement officers.

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

11. [200980](#)

Resolution authorizing settlement of claims in the lawsuit entitled Sterling D. Brown v. City of Milwaukee, et al., Case No. 18-CV-922-PP.

Appearance:

Robin Pederson - Deputy CA

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

Aye 5 - Hamilton, Dodd, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

12. [201479](#)

Resolution relative to legislative bills.

Appearance:

Jordan Primakow - IRD

Brenda Wood - IRD CC

-- AB-186/SB-295

Relating to: eliminating public official immunity as a defense to civil liability claims against law enforcement officers and prohibiting indemnification for judgments against law enforcement officers.

Item Held to the Call of the Chair.

-- LRB-2843

Relating to: traffic violations when emergency or roadside response vehicles are present and providing a penalty.

Murphy - moved support

-- AB-173/SB-207

Relating to: private resources used for election administration, appointment of election officials, and providing a penalty.

Murphy moved Oppose

-- AB-170/SB-210

Relating to: election observers and providing a penalty.

-- AB-198/SB-212

Relating to: defects on absentee ballot certificates, certain kinds of election fraud, and providing a penalty.

NO POSITION

-- AB-201/SB-204

Relating to: absentee ballot applications, unsolicited mailing or transmission of absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots, canvassing absentee ballots, electronic voter registration, and providing a penalty.

Murphy moved Oppose

-- AB-179/SB-205

Relating to: absentee voting in certain residential care facilities and retirement homes and providing a penalty.

Murphy moved Oppose

-- SB-214

Relating to: early canvassing of absentee ballots, issuance of presidential ballots, combined polling places, timeline for sending or transmitting absentee ballots, nomination papers for certain independent candidates, and providing a penalty.

per Ms. wood this item is already included in the legislative package; there was no need for discussion at this time.

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

[201479](#)

Substitute resolution relative to legislative bills.

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

Aye 4 - Hamilton, Spiker, Bauman and Murphy

No 0

Excused 1 - Dodd

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Meeting adjourned at 6:07PM

Joanna Polanco

Staff Assistant

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