

Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 6:35 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Roll Call

Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Members present included Alderperson Molly Finkler, Mayor Joe Hammer, Alderperson Michael Lawson, Alderperson Sarah Motiff, Alderperson Trina Reid, Council President Amy Roelke, and Alderperson Ryan Rostad.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Motiff to approve the agenda. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the Consent Agenda which included the Council and Committee of the Whole Minutes from 10/15/2024. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

New Business

2. Consider and take action on Resolution 9-24: A Resolution for 2025 Budget Adoption and Approval of a Tax Levy for the City of Columbus and Tax Incremental Districts

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Motiff to approve Resolution 9-24: A Resolution for 2025 Budget Adoption and Approval of a Tax Levy for the City of Columbus and Tax Incremental Districts. Administrator Amundson presented a copy of the corrected resolution stating the tax levy amount to be approved is \$4,136,660. A brief discussion took place regarding the receipt of singular bids for work posted by the city.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

3. Resolution 10-24: A Resolution Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$4,990,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024A

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to approve Resolution 10-24: A Resolution Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$4,990,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2024A. There was no further discussion. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried.

4. Consider and take action on disposal of 2012 Chevy Volt (CoW 10/15/24)

Motion made by Alderperson Lawson, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to dispose of the city owned 2012 Chevy Volt via the Wisconsin Surplus Auction. It was confirmed by Amundson that staff has no interest in using this vehicle.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by voice vote.

5. Prairie Ridge CSM

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to approve the Certified Survey Map for Prairie Ridge Hospital.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by voice vote.

6. Request for Proposal – Building Inspection Services

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to approve the request for proposal for Building Inspection Services. Alder Lawson asked if the prior discussion of adding verbiage that if the minimum requirements were not meant, council would not consider that proposal, was added. Alder Rostad referred to the last paragraph on page nine which covers this issue. Rostad also noted that the RFP does not call for In-Person Inspections. Does this need to be spelled out? Attorney Johnson stated this could be part of the interview process instead. Johnson asked for clarification from council as to the bid receipt time. Amundson asked council to allow Mike Kornmann to address the date and time changes in the final RFP to allow for sufficient turn-around time. Alder Reid asked if verbiage could be added regarding the preference for In-Person Inspections.

Amended Motion by Finkler, seconded by Reid to approve the Request for Proposal for Building Inspection Services with the updates to have the proposals be received within open business hours, with a turn-around time of approximately three weeks, and to include in-person inspections.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by voice vote.

7. Contract for Building Inspection Services – Termination Notice

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to terminate the current Building Inspection Services per our contract.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by voice vote.

8. Consider and take action on Ordering a 2025 Police Squad Car (CoW 10/15/24).

Motion made by Council President Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Reid to approve the order of a 2025 police squad car in the amount of \$45,389.50.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by roll call vote.

9. Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$277,566.17

Motion made by Alderperson Motiff, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to approve the claims in the amount of \$277,566.17.

Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Report of City Officials

Matt Amundson, City Administrator shared his thanks for events and celebrations related to Halloween over the past week and events to happen yet this week.

Susan Caine, City Clerk discussed the upcoming election and the proposed site layout.

Mayor Joe Hammer attended the League of Wisconsin Municipalities annual conference this past week.

Adjourn

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to adjourn at 7:00 pm. Voting Yea: Alderperson Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Motiff, Alderperson Reid, Council President Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried by voice vote.

*A quorum of city committees and/or commissions may be present at this meeting. No action will be taken or considered by those committees and/or commissions.