

Common Council Meeting

Whitewater Municipal Building Community Room, 312 West Whitewater St., Whitewater, WI 53190 *In Person and Virtual

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - 6:00 PM

Citizens are welcome (and encouraged) to join our webinar via computer, smart phone, or telephone.

Citizen participation is welcome during topic discussion periods.

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AGENDA

Amended as of May 18, 2025 at 6:15 p.m. to add: 1. Waiver of 72-Hour Transparency Ordinance and 2. Closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to confer with legal counsel regarding strategy and legal considerations related to potential violations of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and Wisconsin Public Records Law involving the School District's handling of the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract process. The Council will reconvene in open session.

CALL TO ORDER

Request for authorization to waive the 72-hour notice required by the City of Whitewater Transparency Ordinance to amend the Agenda to

1. Add item number CS-30 Confer with legal counsel regarding strategy and legal considerations related to potential violations of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and Wisconsin Public Records Law involving the School District's handling of the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract process. And item number 32 Discussion and Possible action regarding confer with legal counsel regarding strategy and legal considerations related to potential violations of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and Wisconsin Public Records Law involving the School District's handling of the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract process

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A councilmember can choose to remove an item from the agenda or rearrange its order; however, introducing new items to the agenda is not allowed. Any proposed changes require a motion, a second, and approval from the Council to be implemented. The agenda shall be approved at each meeting even if no changes are being made at that meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER

1. A representative from Bethel House is here to present 2024 data about community members who are facing homelessness or who are unhoused.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the Consent Agenda will be approved together unless any council members requests that an item be removed for individual consideration.

- 2. Approval of the Common Council Minutes from May 6, 2025.
- 3. Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2025.
- 4. Alcohol Licensing Committee meeting minutes from March 18, 2025.
- 5. Landmarks Commission meeting minutes from April 2, 2025.
- 6. Plan and Architectural Review Commission meeting Minutes from April 14, 2025.
- 7. Public Arts Commission meeting Minutes from April 3, 2025.
- 8. Proposed artwork on traffic signal control boxes.
- 9. Approval of a driveway over 35 feet for Lavelle Industries, 1215 Universal Boulevard.
- 10. April 2025 Financials

CITY MANAGER REPORT

11. City Manager Report.

STAFF REPORTS

- 12. Response to questions asked at the May 6, 2025 Common Council meeting regarding the SRO at WWUSD schools-**Finance**
- 13. Spring Splash After-action Report- PD
- 14. ATV/UTV update- PD
- 15. Speed Data-Walworth Ave/Prince St- PD

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

No formal Council action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Council discusses that particular item.

To make a comment during this period, or during any agenda item: On a computer or handheld device, locate the controls on your computer to raise your hand. You may need to move your mouse to see these controls. On a traditional telephone, dial *6 to unmute your phone and dial *9 to raise your hand.

ORDINANCES

First Reading

- 16. **Ordinance 2025-O-17** an Ordinance amending Subsection 11.12.011 STOP SIGNS by adding stop signs on Walworth Avenue at Prince Street.-**Public Works**
- 17. **Ordinance 2025-O-18** an ordinance amending Chapter 2.08.010 Meetings to change the time of Common Council Meetings from 6:30 pm start time to 6:00pm start time. **City Clerk**

Second Reading

- 18. **Ordinance 2025-O-14** an amending Ordinance 5.20.030 Pertaining to Enforcement of Gaming Machines- **PD**
- 19. **Ordinance 2025-O-15** an Ordinance amending 2.62.020 Whitewater Transparency Enhancement to require Class 1 & 2 Hearing Notices to be posted on the City's Social Media Page.- **Finance**

CONSIDERATIONS

- 20. Discussion and Possible Action regarding whether or not to submit a RFP for the WUSD School Resource Officer-City Manager and PD
- 21. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the Renewal of Twin Oaks Mobile Home Park License- Municipal Code Enforcement
- 22. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the future of the Starin Park Water Tower-Neighborhood Services
- 23. Discussion and Possible Action regarding adding stop signs on Peck Street at the Whiton Street intersection. -**Public Works**
- 24. Councilmember Requests for Future Agenda Items or Committee items. Questions

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 25. More information on the survey capabilities- Smith Q2
- 26. Results of the Telephony RFP- June 3, 2025
- 27. Resolution to form Whitewater Lakes District. June 3, 2025

28. Alcohol Licensing renewals- June 3, 2025

CLOSED SESSION Adjourn to Closed Session, TO RECONVENE, pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes *C*hapter 19.85(1)(d): Except as provided in s. 304.06(1)(eg) and by rule promulgated under s. 304.06(1)(em), considering specific applications of probation, extended supervision or parole, or considering strategy from crime detection or prevention. Also,

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Items to be discussed

- CS-29. Police Department Updates on Strategies for Crime Detection or Prevention.
- CS-30. Confer with legal counsel regarding strategy and legal considerations related to potential violations of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and Wisconsin Public Records Law involving the School District's handling of the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract process.

CONSIDERATIONS

- 31. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Police Department Updates on Strategies for Crime Detection or Prevention.- **PD**
- 32. Discussion and Possible action regarding confer with legal counsel regarding strategy and legal considerations related to potential violations of the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and Wisconsin Public Records Law involving the School District's handling of the School Resource Officer (SRO) contract process.- **City Manager**

ADJOURNMENT

Anyone requiring special arrangements is asked to call the Office of the City Manager / City Clerk (262-473-0102) at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

2023-2025 City of Whitewater's 5 strategic goals: Build single-family homes, Communicate with the community without the newspaper, Support a thriving business community, Recruitment and retention efforts with a focus on diversity, and Prioritization of expenditures with available resources.