



# Common Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 03, 2025 at 6:35 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

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## Roll Call

Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. The following members were present: Mayor Joe Hammer, Council President Molly Finkler, Alderperson Michael Lawson, Alderperson Marcus Meier, Alderperson Trina Reid, Alderperson 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 Alderperson Meier, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

## Public Comment

None.

## Consent Agenda

Motion made by Alderperson Meier, Seconded by Alderperson Roelke to approve the Consent Agenda which included Special Committee of the Whole and Common Council Minutes of 05/20/2025 and the Mayoral Appointment of Teddy Decker to the Community Development Authority (CDA). Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

## Ordinances – First Reading (Final action may be taken by a motion to suspend the rules and waive the readings under City of Columbus Ordinance Sec 2-46)

### 3. Ordinance No. 804-25: An Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 38-68(9) of the City Code of Ordinances Concerning Public Nuisances Affecting Health (CoW 06/03/25):

Motion made by Council President Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to Suspend the Rules per Sec. 2-46 of the City of Columbus Code of Ordinances. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Alderperson Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Meier to Waive the Readings per Sec. 2-46 of the City of Columbus Code of Ordinances. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Motion made by Council President Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Meier to adopt Ordinance 804-25: An Ordinance to Repeal and Recreate Section 38-68(9) of the City Code of Ordinances Concerning Public Nuisances Affecting Health. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

## **New Business**

**4. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 6-25: A Resolution Dissolving the Mae Ward Beautification Endowment Fund of the City of Columbus, Wisconsin (CoW 06/03/25):**

Motion made by Alderperson Roelke, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to adopt Resolution 6-25: A Resolution Dissolving the Mae Ward Beautification Endowment Fund of the City of Columbus, Wisconsin. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**5. Consider and take action on Resolution 7-25: A Resolution Recognizing June as Pride Month in Columbus, Wisconsin (CoW 6/3/25):**

Motion made by Alderperson Meier, Seconded by Alderperson Roelke to adopt Resolution 7-25: A Resolution Recognizing June as Pride Month in Columbus, Wisconsin. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

**6. Consider and take action on award of bid to McKee Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$98,800 for the Fireman's Park Pavilion Staircase Project (CoW 06/03/25):**

Motion made by Council President Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Lawson to award the bid for the Fireman's Park Pavilion Staircase Project to McKee Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$98,800. This project includes both staircases. Voting Yea: Council President Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Meier, Alderperson Reid, Alderperson Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 6-0 Roll Call Vote.

**7. Consider and take action on Recreation Program Nonresident Fee Policy (RAC 05/19/25):**

Administrator Amundson shared that passage of this policy will help insure that services provided by the city are being funded appropriately. Fees for the 2025 Summer programming are already set. After further discussion, a motion was made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Council President Finkler to send the Recreation Program Non-resident Fee Policy to the Community Center Committee for review before bringing it back for a vote by council. Motion failed on a unanimous nay vote.

Motion made by Alderperson Lawson, Seconded by Council President Finkler to send the policy back to the Recreation Committee for review before bringing it back for a vote by council. Voting Yea: Council President Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Reid, Alderperson Roelke, Alderperson Rostad

Voting Nay: Alderperson Meier. Motion carried on a 5-1 voice vote.

**8. Consider and take action on claims in the amount of \$326,010.20:**

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Alderperson Roelke to approve the Claims in the amount of \$326,010.20.

Voting Yea: Council President Finkler, Alderperson Lawson, Alderperson Meier, Alderperson Reid, Alderperson Roelke, and Alderperson Rostad. Motion carried on a 6-0 Roll Call vote.

## **Report of City Officers – City Administrator, Mayor**

Amundson had nothing to report. Mayor Hammer reminded residents that with all of the needed road construction happening in the downtown area this summer to please not forget our local businesses and remember to patronize them when able. Also, June is Dairy Month and support our local farmers by enjoying milk, cheese and ice cream!

## **Adjourn**

Motion made by Council President Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Reid to adjourn at 7:24pm. Motion carried on a unanimous 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.