



**TWO
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WISCONSIN

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, January 31, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - Two Rivers City Hall
1717 East Park Street Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Council President Wachowski at 6:00 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council President Wachowski.

3. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Adam Wachowski, Bill LeClair, Bonnie Shimulunas, Darla LeClair, Jeff Dahlke, Jay Remiker, Larry Thomas, Mark Bittner, Tracey Koach

Also present were: Ross Blaha, Water Utility Director; Dave Buss, Finance Director; Brian Dellemann, Electric Utility Director; Jim McDonald, Public Works Director; Elizabeth Runge, Community Development Director/City Planner; Greg Buckley, City Manager; Jack Bruce, City Attorney

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Walking Quorums and Other Open Meetings Law Considerations

City Attorney Bruce presented to the Council regarding walking quorums and the steps to take to ensure that Council communications outside of posted meetings do not result in the violation of any open meetings laws. Questions from Councilmembers and City Manager Buckley regarding email communication were fielded by Attorney Bruce.

B. Status of City Tourism Promotion and Development Efforts

Councilmember and Room Tax Commission Chairperson Bittner and City Manager Buckley provided an update on the City's tourism promotion and development efforts. The Manitowoc Area Visitor Convention Bureau will be working on tourism promotion activities in the Manitowoc and Two Rivers area using existing fund balance from room tax dollars received from Manitowoc and Two Rivers through the end of 2021. The Room Tax Commission has authorized a contract with Amy James to service as Interim Tourism Director reporting to Community Development Director Elizabeth Runge on a daily basis and to the Room Tax Commission.

5. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter into closed session per Wisc. Stats 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investment of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reason require a closed session: Discuss Proposed Purchase and Redevelopment Agreement for 2023 Washington Street.

Motion approved with roll call vote.

Motion made by Dahlke, Seconded by Thomas.

Voting Yea: Wachowski, B. LeClair, Shimulunas, D. LeClair, Dahlke, Remiker, Thomas, Bittner, Koach

6. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Motion to reconvene in open session at 7:40 PM to consider possible actions in follow-up to closed session discussions.

Motion approved with roll call vote.

Motion made by Dahlke, Seconded by Thomas.

Voting Yea: Wachowski, B. LeClair, Shimulunas, D. LeClair, Dahlke, Remiker, Thomas, Bittner, Koach

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of this meeting and adjourn.

Motion approved with voice vote.

Motion made by Remiker, Seconded by Dahlke.

Voting Yea: Wachowski, B. LeClair, Shimulunas, D. LeClair, Dahlke, Remiker, Thomas, Bittner, Koach