



Public Works Committee Meeting

Cravath Lakefront Room, 2nd Floor
312 W. Whitewater St.
Whitewater, WI 53190
*In Person and Virtual

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 - 5:15 PM

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Public Works Committee meeting was called to order by Board Member Majkrzak at 5:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Board Member M. Smith, Board Member Majkrzak, Board President Hicks (technical difficulties – could not hear – seems to be issues on his end. Board Member Hicks ending up calling in for the meeting.)

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: Marquardt

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Board Member M. Smith to approve the agenda for Tuesday, January 13, 2026, Seconded by Board Member Hicks.

Voting Yea: all via voice (3)

Voting Nay: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes from December 9, 2025

Motion made by Board Member M. Smith to approve the minutes from December 9, 2025, Seconded by Board Member Hicks.

Voting Yea: all via voice (3)

Voting Nay: None

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

2. **Discussion and Possible Action regarding proposed artwork on electrical boxes.**

Following the successful completion of eight painted traffic control boxes during the summer of 2025, staff issued a second call for artists to complete artwork on four remaining traffic control boxes. These boxes are located at the following intersections:

- Franklin Street and Main Street
- Prince Street and Main Street
- Starin Road and Jefferson Street
- Starin Road and Newcomb Street

Six artist applications were received and reviewed by the Public Arts Commission. The Commission recommended moving forward with applications submitted by Bill Miller, Justin Mane, Edith Wence, and

Aliya (Mou) Noh. Three of the four proposed designs included wording. The Public Arts Commission recommended that any wording be limited to the back side of the traffic control boxes.

Following approval at the May 13, 2025, Public Works Committee meeting and the May 20, 2025, Common Council meeting to paint eight traffic control boxes, the Public Arts Commission recommended four artists and their designs at its November 6, 2025, meeting for consideration by the Public Works Committee.

At the December 9, 2025, Public Works Committee meeting, the Committee recommended three applications containing wording be resubmitted with no wording included prior to final approval. Funding in the amount of \$8,000 (\$2,000 per box) has been included in the 2026 Street Department budget for this project.

Two of the three applicants requiring revisions—Justin Mane and Edith Wence—resubmitted mockups with no wording. Staff recommended approval of the revised submissions from Mane and Wence, along with the previously approved design from Bill Miller, and forwarding these recommendations to the full Common Council for approval.

Motion made by Board Member Majkrzak to approve the proposed artwork on electrical boxes from Mane and Wence, along with the previous painting from Miller and forward to the full Council for approval, Seconded by Board Member Hicks.

Voting Yea: Board Member Majkrzak, Board Member Hicks, Board Member M. Smith
Voting Nay: None

3. **Discussion and Possible Action regarding Amendment No. 1 to Task Order No. 25-06, Main Street/Franklin Street Intersection.**

The Public Works Committee met on December 9, 2025, and discussed adding a dedicated left-turn arrow for westbound Main Street traffic as part of the Main Street/Franklin Street intersection improvements. The Committee recommended proceeding with this addition. Proposed Amendment No. 1 included the additional design work and traffic signal sequencing updates necessary to incorporate the left-turn arrow.

At the previous Public Works Committee meeting on November 12, 2024, the Committee recommended proceeding with the redesigning of the intersection to better accommodate eastbound semi-truck turning movements from Franklin Street. Task Order No. 25-06 for the redesign of the Main Street/Franklin Street intersection was subsequently approved at the April 8, 2025, Public Works Committee meeting and the April 15, 2025, Common Council meeting.

Amendment No. 1 increased the total compensation under Task Order No. 25-06 from \$46,000 to \$51,300.

Staff recommended approval of Amendment No. 1 to Task Order No. 25-06 and forwarding the amendment to the Common Council for approval.

Motion made by Board Member Hicks to approve Amendment No. 1 Task Order No. 25-06, Main Street/Franklin Street intersection and forward to Council for approval, Seconded by Board Member Majkrzak.

Voting Yea: Board Member Hicks, Board Member M. Smith, Board Member Majkrzak
Voting Nay: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

4. Elizabeth Street parking restrictions – May/June 2026

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Board Member M. Smith to adjourn the Public Works Meeting at 5:22 p.m., Seconded by Board Member Hicks.

Voting Yea: all via voice (3)

Voting Nay: None

Respectfully submitted,

Alison Stoll

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*Minutes Approved on Tuesday, February 10, 2026