



MINUTES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021, 4:30 PM

Virtual Meeting. Public may join via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. This item contains information and instructions for the virtual Zoom meeting.

B. ROLL CALL.

All present.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

D. INVOCATION.

I. The invocation will be led by Alder Kathy Lefebvre, District 6.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

I. Approval of the minutes from the February 2, 2021 Common Council meeting.

Moved by Ald. Kathy Lefebvre, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

F. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

G. REPORT BY THE MAYOR.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I. APPOINTMENTS.

I. Re-appointments

Ethics Board

Said Hassan, 538 Clement St., Apt. 5, Green Bay, 54302

Term to expire: March 1, 2024

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Barbara Dorff to approve the reappointment. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

J. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING FOR ADOPTION.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Barbara Dorff to suspend the rules and take up both ordinances with one roll call vote.

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

Passed

Moved by Barbara Dorff, seconded by Kathy Lefebvre to adopt both ordinances.

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Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None
Passed

1. General Ordinance No. 01-21

An ordinance amending Section 29.208, Green Bay Municipal Code, relating to parking regulations.

2. General Ordinance No. 02-21

An ordinance amending Section 29.307, Green Bay Municipal Code, relating to traffic regulations.

K. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 9, 2021).

Moved by Ald. Barbara Dorff, seconded by Ald. Craig Stevens to approve the report, and discuss items 2, 3 and 4 separately. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

1. To recommend for approval by City Council the purchase for Lights and Siren package for the sum of \$40,642.47 to SoundOff Signal. Vendor held GSA schedule pricing from 2020.

2. To approve the acceptance of the Center for Tech & Civic life grant extension for \$731,191 with an expiration of June 30, 2021.

Moved by Ald. Barbara Dorff, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to approve. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Craig Stevens, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Abstain- None

3. To receive and place on file the status of litigation on the following Notices of Decision from the US Dept of the Interior regarding the intent to take land into trust: Kuffel, Bruss, Syndergaard, Kolb, Kelley, Howey, Duquaine, Cornelius, Kestell, Baumgart, Orlando, and Debenedetto parcels.

The Committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is

likely to become involved. The Committee will thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Section 19.85(2), Wis. Stats., to take action on items discussed in closed session, if appropriate, and to consider the remainder of the agenda.

Moved by Ald. Brian Johnson, seconded by Ald. Barbara Dorff to suspend the rules and take both items 3 and 4 into closed session. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

Alder Johnson read the language, Alder Dorff added the section from item 4.

Moved into closed session at 4:58 pm

Moved by Barbara Dorff, seconded by Mark Steuer to Return to Regular Session
Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- Jesse Brunette, Abstain- None
Passed

Returned to regular order at 6:11 pm

Moved by Barbara Dorff, seconded by Randy Scannell to receive and place on file item number 3.
Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None
Passed

Moved by Barbara Dorff, seconded by Randy Scannell to hold item number 4 until the next council meeting.
Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None
Passed

Alder Vander Leest left the meeting.

4. To approve the Cooperative Governance Agreement and the Law Enforcement Response and Mutual Assistance Agreement between the Oneida Nation and the City of Green Bay.

The Committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Sections 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., for purposes of deliberating or negotiating the sale of public properties, investing of public funds or

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conducting other specified public business as necessary for competitive or bargaining reasons. The Committee will thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Section 19.85(2), Wis. Stats., to take action on items discussed in closed session, if appropriate, and to consider the remainder of the agenda.

5. To receive and place on file the report of the Claims Committee.

The Council may convene in closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The Council will thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Section 19.85(2), Wis. Stats., to take action on items discussed in closed session, if appropriate, and to consider the remainder of the agenda.

6. To receive and place on file a request of City Council President Jesse Brunette to seek an outside Attorney Client Privilege(d) legal opinion for discernment on options to balance the incredibly important need for public disclosure and transparency with the need to protect the city against potential liability (referral from Protection and Policy Committee, January 25, 2021).

L. REPORT OF THE IMPROVEMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 10, 2021).

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax to approve. Motion carried. Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- Brian Johnson

I. To approve the report of the Traffic Engineer regarding the need for a barrier on Bellevue Street running north from Lilac Lane and implement the following recommendations from the report. (Ald. Galvin)

A. Remove the existing advance northbound curve and southbound turn warning signs on Bellevue St approaching Lilac Ln.

B. Install an advance northbound Turn left sign (MUTCD Code W1-1L) with supplemental Speed Advisory plaque (MUTCD Code W13-1P) and advance southbound Turn right sign (MUTCD Code W1-1R) between 150 and 200 ft in advance of Lilac Ln on Bellevue St.

C. Install a minimum of 6 chevron signs (3 in each direction) (MUTCD Code W1-8), spaced each approximately 80 ft, on the outside of the turn left (northbound) and turn right (southbound) conditions on Bellevue St approaching and through the Lilac Ln intersection.

2. To receive and place on file the list of streets proposed for resurfacing and reconstruction in 2021 Capital Improvement Program and utilization of Vehicle Registration Fee proceeds. (Ald. Wery)

3. To approve the request by Georgia-Pacific to lease property at 1100 West Mason Street to the City of Green Bay on a month-to-month basis to be used by the Department of Public Works for operations at the West Side Garage.

4. To approve the request by Whitney Townhomes, LLC to enter into an agreement for Department of Public Works collection of sanitation tipper carts on their private road located in the block bounded by Webster Avenue, Pine Street, Van Buren Street, and Cherry Street.

5. To approve the request by Department of Public Works to award a contract for bridge inspection services for 2021-2022 to Ayres Associates in the amount of \$42,652.

6. To receive and place on file the proposed revisions to Section 8.11, Green Bay Municipal Code, Noxious Weeds and Maintenance of Vegetation.

7. To approve the report of the Purchasing Manager to award to Bobcat Plus for a Utility Terrain Vehicle with tracks for the sum of \$28,622. Bobcat Plus was the only vendor to meet the specifications of RFB 2021-04.

8. To approve the award of the contract GREEN BAY WATER UTILITY ADDITION / RENOVATION to the low responsive bidder, Miron Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of \$4,339,725.

9. To receive and place on file the report of actions taken by Department of Public Works

A. Granting of Licenses

1. Sidewalk Builder

- a. Absolute Concrete LLC
- b. Larry Van Rite Trucking & Excavating

2. Tree & Brush Trimmer

- a. AI Tree Service, Inc.
- b. Consciously Fresh Tree Service LLC
- c. Economy Tree Service LLC

10. To order in the improvements constructed and levy assessments for the following:

ASPHALT RESURFACING

GUNS ROAD – Main Street to south City limits

HARVEST ROAD – Finger Road to Crest Lane

IRENE STREET – Crooks Street to Main Street

CONCRETE PAVEMENT

GRAY STREET – Dousman Street to Mather Street

M. REPORT OF THE PROTECTION & POLICY COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 8, 2021).

Moved by Ald. Barbara Dorff, seconded by Ald. Craig Stevens to approve. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

1. To approve a request by The Sardine Can at 128. S Broadway Ave. to extend their license premises to parking lot for one day special events on June 9, 2021, June 30, 2021, July 21, 2021, August 11, 2021 and September 1, 2021, subject to complaint.

2. To approve an application for a "Class A" Liquor Class "A" Beer license by Gerczak's Liquor &

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Catering, LLC at 1244 Velp with a license premises description as "1 room retail store-liquor on shelves, beer cave, fridge units, backroom (app 300 sq feet) (Previously licensed as J&D Gerczak Liq & Catering, LLC), with the approval of the proper authorities.

3. To approve a resolution for the City of Green Bay to adopt the Brown County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

4. To refer to staff to bring back an updated map and data listing all licensed establishments, type of license and location in applicable moratorium areas and for the Police Department to provide a report with data to include calls for service city wide to licensed establishments from 2018 through the end of the summer of 2021.

5. To refer to staff to continue working with state representatives and the Military Business District to enact additional regulations for massage spa ordinance.

6. To receive and place on file a request by Ald. Brunette for discussion with possible action on forwarding the Face Covering Ordinance to the Brown County Health Department for review.

7. To receive and place on file The Liquor Violation Report for February 8, 2021.

N. REPORT OF THE PLAN COMMISSION. (FEBRUARY 8, 2021)

Moved by Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to approve the report and discuss item 5. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

I. To appoint Neil Stechschulte as Secretary of the Green Bay Plan Commission.

2. To rezone 1500 N. Irwin Avenue from General Commercial (C1) to Highway Commercial (C2), subject to the following conditions:

a. Compliance to all ventilation standards and HVAC regulations within the City of Green Bay.

b. Meets code requirements with an application for review to the Building Inspection Department, this includes proper plans and permits.(Public Hearing held 02/08/2021)

3. To rezone 2226 Main Street from General Commercial (C1) to Highway Commercial (C2). (Public Hearing held 02/08/2021)

4. To amend the Comprehensive Plan for the property located at 215 Elizabeth Street from Medium Density Retail, Office or Housing (MIROH) to Commercial (C) for an area no greater than 320 ft. from the intersection of Main Street and Elizabeth Street. The balance of lands included in the request shall be designated as low density residential.

5. To holdover a request of Ald. Corpus-Dax to examine regulations regarding the current zoning code and "Drive Thru" or "Pickup" lanes, and the necessity of bypass lanes and/or menu boards so notices can be properly posted.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to approve. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

O. REPORT OF THE PARK COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 10, 2021).

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Barbara Dorff to approve. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

I. To direct staff to proceed with negotiations for the sale of a portion of the Mahon Creek Greenway for residential yard expansion purposes at 2100 Emmalane Drive (Parcel 21-8116) as directed in closed session.

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consider the remainder of the agenda.

2. To receive and place on file the staff update on fat tire biking at He-Nis-Ra Park. (Informational Only)

P. REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (FEBRUARY 9, 2021).

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax to approve. Motion carried. Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

I. To approve the request to fill the following replacement positions and all subsequent vacancies resulting from internal transfers.

a. Park Supervisor - Park, Recreation & Forestry

2. To approve the amended request to over hire three firefighter recruits.

Q. RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve. Motion carried. Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No-None, Abstain- None

I. The Municipal Court Report for January 2021.

2. Building Permit Report for January 2021.

R. RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Veronica Corpus-Dax to suspend the rules and take Minutes of the Common Council

up items 1 through 6.

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, John VanderLeest, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvr, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

Passed

Moved by Randy Scannell, seconded by Craig Stevens to adopt.

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Kathy Lefebvre, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

Passed

1. Resolution Authorizing Execution of the DNR Principal Forgiven Financial Assistance Agreement.

2. Resolution for the City of Green Bay to adopt the Brown County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

3. Resolution accepting dedication of right-of-way and public improvements in Excalibur 3rd Addition Subdivision.

4. Final resolution authorizing asphalt resurfacing improvements and levying special assessments against property.

5. Final resolution authorizing concrete pavement improvements and levying special assessments against property.

6. Resolution accepting dedication of right-of-way and public improvements located at 420 and 520 North Broadway.

7. Resolution in support of Green Bay Area Public School District students, parents, teachers, and employees in urging the school board and administration to transition quickly but safely toward an in-person option for all students.

Moved by Ald. Barbara Dorff, seconded by Ald. Bill Galvin to receive and place on file.

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Craig Stevens, Randy Scannell, Lynn Gerlach, No- Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Abstain- None
Failed

Alder Lefebvre left the meeting.

Moved by Jesse Brunette, seconded by Brian Johnson to Amend

Motion carried.

Yes- Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- Barbara Dorff
Passed

Moved by Jesse Brunette, seconded by Randy Scannell to approve the amendment.

Motion carried.

Yes- Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- Craig Stevens, Randy Scannell, Abstain- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin,
Passed

S. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to suspend the rules and take up both with one roll call vote.

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None
Passed

Moved by Randy Scannell, seconded by Chris Wery to advance

Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None
Passed

I. Zoning Ordinance No. 2-21

An ordinance rezoning property located at 1500 N. Irwin from General Commercial (C1) District to Highway Commercial (C2) District.

2. Zoning Ordinance No. 03-21

An ordinance rezoning the property located at 2226 Main Street from General Commercial (C1) District to Highway Commercial (C2) District.

3. Miscellaneous Ordinance No. 01-21

An ordinance adopting an amendment to the Smart Growth 2022 Comprehensive Plan of the City of Green Bay pertaining to property located at 215 Elizabeth Street.

T. REFERRAL OF PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS.

I.

TO: Plan Commission

Submitted by: Alderman Chris Wery, District 8, to the City Clerk via email 2/12/21

The Petition/Communication: "Request that the property at 1022 Ridge Rd, operating as Darjune Recovery House, be required to apply for a conditional use permit. This would be in accordance with Green Bay Municipal Code §13.602 and 13.1603."

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to refer the petitions and communications to the appropriate Committee or Commission. Motion carried.

A request by Ald. Galvin to the Personnel Committee to discuss and evaluate the expiration date for the city's policy on COVID-19 paid sick leave for each employee group as the COVID-19 vaccine becomes available to city employees.

U. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried.

Yes- Barbara Dorff, Bill Galvin, Brian Johnson, Chris Wery, Craig Stevens, Jesse Brunette, Mark Steuer, Randy Scannell, Veronica Corpus-Dax, Lynn Gerlach, No- None, Abstain- None

Celestine Jeffreys
Green Bay City Clerk

These minutes in their entirety, are available in the City Clerk's Office and on the City website at greenbaywi.gov

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- [Celestine] And I'll sign in, so whenever you're ready. And then Deputy Clerk Fuge, just as soon as

the mayor sets down the gavel you can... Before that you can begin the meeting.

- [Fuge] It is pressed.

- [Celestine] Thank you.

- All right. I call to order the meeting of the Common Council for Wednesday February 17th, 2021. Clerk?

- [Celestine] Yes, all 12 are present your Honor, thank you.

- All right, we have a quorum and we will proceed. Please rise now for the Pledge of Allegiance and then I'll turn things over to Alderman Lefebvre for an invocation.

- [All] I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

- Alder Lefebvre?

- Thank you, your Honor. At this time I would ask everyone to please just take a moment of silence and let's think about what's happening with the pandemic and let's say a silent prayer that we can get through this time. I believe the light is coming at the end of the tunnel, it's there and we just have to work together, and let's all come together, let's stop the fighting. So let's just bow our heads for a few minutes and just silently say whatever you want to a prayer, whatever you want to thank everybody who has worked hard on what's happening, and that we can get through this. Thank you.

- All right, thank you Alder. On to approval of the minutes.

- Okay, approved.

- All right, we have a motion from Alder Lefebvre, seconded by Alder Scannell, to approve the minutes from the February 2nd, 2021 Common Council Meeting. Any changes there? Seeing none, all in favor will signify by saying aye.

- [All] Aye.

- Opposed nay? The ayes have it, the minutes are approved. Approval of the agenda?

- [Both] Approved.

- [Both] Second.

- Motion made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Corpus-Dax, any changes here? Signify by saying aye?

- [All] Aye.

- Opposed nay? The ayes have it, the agenda is approved. Onto the report of the mayor.

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- Mr. Mayor.
- Yeah.
- Alder Galvin cannot get into the Zoom meeting because the link is not working for him. Could somebody text him the link please? Perhaps .
- I muted the files .
- Yeah, I mean the link from the packet is working?
- Yeah, I'll tell him that. Okay, thanks, sorry for interrupting.
- Not at all, no problem at all. Steuer, why are you not on muted right now?
- [Celestine] Some moment to just sent... I can very quickly copy and paste and send it back to Alder Galvin if a moment to do that.
- Sounds good. Alder Steuer?
- Yes.
- Can you just mute your microphone, please? We will stand informal here for awhile until Alder Galvin gets in.
- [Celestine] Thank you, mayor.
- Can we take bets if he has a glass of milk with him?
- [Celestine] Okay, Mayor, I did send it to him again. Alder Dorff if you would be so kind as to text Alder Galvin to tell him that I sent the link to his district email?
- I'm here now.
- [Celestine] Oh, hello, Alder.
- It's just that I don't know what's going on, maybe it's my computer I'm not a technical guy. But our system seems to be having hiccups for the last two years, three years since we got this new program. And my link today when I opened it up, second meeting in a row where the link does not function, I've had to type it in and I made a typo and then I had to go back and examine it and can only guess I should be here 15 minutes early and try all this stuff out so I'm ready on time but I'm still concerned that there's something going on here so I apologize for my lateness, thank you.
- No problem, you didn't miss the report by the mayor so...
- The important part.

- Lucky for you. I'll jump in on that you know we've got some important items to get to so I'll make it pretty brief here. But as you all know we had an election yesterday, a primary election for the spring. Things went very smoothly so I wanted to recognize Clerk Jeffreys, Deputy Clerk Fuge, the entirety of the clerk staff, all of our poll workers who stepped up yet again to help us out and make sure that we had a successful election here in the city of Green Bay, so just wanted to recognize them. Thank the Alders, I know we had at least one, maybe a few more who were also helping out at the polls yesterday, very appreciative for all the assistance that went into making yesterday a successful election. Also wanted to of course touch on our cooperative governance agreement that is on the agenda tonight between the city of Green Bay and the Oneida Nation. I wanted the public to know and the council to know that because of some input that we've received from Alders given the fact that we are sort of double booked tonight with a county board meeting and a city council meeting, it'll be my recommendation to hold this item over until our next meeting and we'll have the opportunity to go through the document as we did at our finance committee meeting. We'll have the chance to discuss some important aspects of the agreement with the entirety of Council tonight, but we'll be holding that over at least that'll be my recommendation until our next council meeting. But briefly on the substance, I believe strongly that this is a good agreement, a fair agreement. It's in the interest of Green Bay citizens and taxpayers, I think it's also to the benefit of Oneida Nation and their members. Obviously when you enter into a negotiation there is give and take, not one side gets everything that they're looking for. And that's definitely the case here but what I would emphasize is that this has been a really mutually beneficial process, and I think a mutually beneficial agreement. And just speaking from the City of Green Bay's perspective, it's been very valuable. I know that I've learned a lot from Chairman Hill, Vice Chairman Stevens, the entirety of the business committee at Oneida. And have just really found it to be a very enlightening and positive process. We are far stronger when we're working together. And that goes for Green Bay, for Brown County, for our surrounding municipalities and certainly for the Oneida Nation. So I'm looking forward to going through this agreement. As I said with the entirety of council, having some more discussions with the public. But as I said, I believe strongly in the importance of moving forward with a cooperative governance agreement, with the Oneida Nation. And I believe that this one is in the interest of our citizens and taxpayers and their members. Finally, I do want... To that was broken yesterday, sadly by our chief Andrew Smith. This is something that I think we've been preparing for awhile, I had an understanding of what his timeline roughly looked like. But I just wanted to take a moment and then I'll turn things over to the chief under announcements for him to offer some of his thoughts. But just wanted to take a moment to thank him for his five years of service to the city of Green Bay. I've been in office here almost a couple years and have just really enjoyed working with him on a variety of initiatives. Particularly though in 2020, a very stressful experience, a challenging one, a very unexpected one, and I just can't think of a better chief for a mayor to go through that period of time with. So grateful to his wife Susan for lending him to the city of Green Bay for these five years, grateful to the whole family. So congratulations to Chief Smith on his retirement. We are certainly gonna miss him he's here for a few more months of course until May but the city of Green Bay is gonna miss him and really appreciate everything that he's in citizens. So with that, I will kick things over to Chief Smith under announcements and then the rest of the council, chief Smith.

- Thanks Mr. Mayor. And thanks everybody for your support. The City council in Green Bay has been absolutely wonderful especially the current of folks that we have in here have been super supportive of the department. I also wanna thank Alder Dorff especially because she was on the Police and Fire Commission when they selected me so I assume I got her vote. I don't know that for sure but I gotta believe that that's the case. And of course the men and women in the police department and in the community we serve, that partnership is super important. So thank you all so

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much and it's been an absolute pleasure and I've really, really enjoyed my time here in Green Bay. And I plan on staying right here in Green Bay and keeping my lawn nicely mowed and keeping Steve and his crew from writing citations in my yard, so...

- All right. Thank you so much Chief. Announcements from Alders.

- Mayor.

- Alder Lefebvre go ahead.

- Yes, being on the county board I get the National Association of Counties, I get their magazine and their news, newspaper. And one article in the newspaper I talked to our corporate counsel about it, it's about Indiana. They were able to... It was all these, not all these Myers, was asking for a dark store exemption. And actually we cannot use them here in Wisconsin because their legislature, the way they set it up. It's not possible for these big corporations to take advantage of the dark store. So that's one thing I wanted to let you know. And then another one is they also had a graph on property taxes. Who pays the property taxes and I was really shocked. Do you know homeowners pay almost, just under 70% of all taxes, homeowners and renters? This is our 26.8% less than 30%. And then farmers are 3.1%, and forest owners are 1.1%. So the majority are the regular taxpayers are paying, mostly taxes. And it's our businesses and our farmers and farmers right now are the really big corporations. So actually, it's kinda screwed I think the wrong way that we need to look at this. I thought everyone should know. I was really disappointed in seeing that, shocked and I think this is something that we have to work on because this isn't fair. And you know who's getting most of the benefits, is not the ones who are paying the most taxes. So I just thought everyone should know. Thank you.

- Thanks Alder. Alder Wery.

- mayor. I also want to thank chief Smith. Hands down, for me personally in my 18 years are the best chief I've had the pleasure of working with. So best of luck being a soccer dad. And really have fun with that. Secondly, there was some sad news today obviously with the passing of Rush Limbaugh. And I just thought it was necessary to say he's great American, loved by millions. I wanted to acknowledge his passing. Mega dittos and Godspeed rush.

- Thanks Alder. Any other announcements? Alder Scannell.

- Thank you. I just wanted to do a quick shout out to chief Smith, thanks very much, it was very much appreciated. It was great working with you a lot of community... Work together and I believe I get to be... Taught myself as the first Alder to have met Chief Smith even before he was given the job. So I think his meeting with me was good luck and then that's what got him over the top. So thank you very much for the service.

- Thanks Alder. Any others? All right with that we'll move on...

- Alder Steuer.

- Alder Steur.

- Alder Steur yeah.

- Alder Steur go ahead.

- Okay, thank you Mayor. I just wanna reiterate what the other Alders said. Chief Smith was a fantastic chief. And anytime we had questions, whether he or his staff would help, they would ship in shaman and I've had many directives in my district but throughout the city and I just thank him wholeheartedly for just making our job a lot easier. And we will ungrasp. Thank you.

- Mr. Mayor. I'm sorry, I want to also say two about Chief Smith. He was really helpful with our neighborhood association out here with, we're having problems with the hunting and everything and he read away that a meeting going together. This is a couple of years ago and he's been very helpful. I will say yes, I will miss him very much.

- Thanks Alder. All right, anybody else? All right, with that we'll move along to appointments, we just have one reappointment here. I'll entertain a motion.

- Motion to approve.

- [Both] Second.

- Motion made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Dorff to confirm our reappointment. All in favor, please signify by saying aye.

- [All] Aye.

- Oppose nay. The ayes have it and reappointment has been approved. Ordinances second reading for adoption.

- To adopt.

- Second by.

- We need to suspend the rules.

- Suspend the rules, yeah.

- There's only one I thought.

- There's two.

- No that's two.

- Motion to suspend the rules.

- Second.

- Motion made by Alder Scannell seconded by Alder Dorff to suspend the rules and take both items

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with one roll call vote. All in favor that motion please signify by saying aye.

- [All] Aye.

- Oppose nay. The Ayes have it, the rules are suspended.

- Now motion to adapt.

- [Both] Second.

- Motion made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Dorff.

- Can we all do a fifth this time?

- All right. I'll do a fifth. To adopt items J1 and J2. Any discussion? We will use the board. Yeah, it looks like those are adopted 12 O. On to finance committee.

- Approve

- Second.

- Motion made by Alder Dorff, seconded by Alder Stevens to approve report K, which is the report of the Finance Committee from the meeting on February 9, 2021. Items here to be handled separately.

- Number four.

- Number two.

- Two and four.

- And just that point of order. The email that Attorney Chavez sent out was that related to item number three.

- It was. Yeah I think it's probably best to just take three and four into closed session.

- Yeah, and I'm comfortable taking them both I just I'm satisfied with the email, I just wasn't sure if that was the specific item but why don't we take them both and then...

- Okay, so two, three and four. Any others? Hearing none others. All in favor of approving the remainder of that report, please signify by saying aye.

- [All] Aye.

- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, and the report has been approved with the exception of items two, three and four. Your wishes on item two.

- [Both] Motion to approve.

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- Motion to approve made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Dorff. The item was pulled by Alder Wery I believe.

- Brunette.

- Alder Brunette. Mayor I just like to request a board vote.

- Okay.

- That's all. I wanna vote no but I want it recorded, thank you.

- You bet. Any other comments on item two? All right, we will use the board.

- Hello. . And that vote is nine to three. That item is approved. Now on to item three, wishes.

- Motion to approve and I thought we're taking three and four together.

- We can take three and four into closed session together if council...

- Motion to suspend the rules to take up items three and four in closed session.

- Second.

- Motion has been made to suspend the rules and take three and four up at the same time. Objection it's been seconded. Is made by Alder Johnson seconded by Alder Dorff. Alder Johnson, you have the language.

- Sure the committee may convene in closed session pursuant to Section 19.85 subsection 1, subsection g. Wisconsin statutes for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The committee will thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Section 19.85 subsection 2 Wisconsin statutes to take action on items discussed in closed session if appropriate and to consider the remainder of the agenda.

- I need to add a subsection to that as it stated in number four. It's subsection 1 e in addition to 1 g that was stated from 19.85.

- Very good, thank you. So we do have that motion on suspension. All in favor signify by saying aye.

- [All] Aye.

- Oppose nay. The ayes have it and then we will use the board on this vote to move into closed session itself. Clerk Jeffreys. Just waiting on that roll call clerk Jeffreys. Or deputy clerk Fuge.

- [Jaime] Yeah, I apologize. I am not in civic clerk, I'm just doing the zoom portion.

- So mic problems with clerk Jeffreys, but she is waiting on Alder Corpus-Dax to record her vote.
- I recorded it.
- Okay. All right, and that is I I to one to move into closed session. So we will just hold until everybody but counsel and several staff are in closed.
- Just a question there, are we gonna maybe need commander Warrick or Chief Smith? We're gonna keep one of them. Okay good, thank you.
- Yes.
- Has anybody figured out how to turn themselves into a cat yet? I couldn't do it I'm not smart enough.
- Randy, why did the chicken cross the playground?
- Because someone ate demand.
- Close to get to the other-
- To get to the other slide.
- There we go, all right. I had to fill the gap was too quiet.
- Thank you Steuer.
- What was that one?
- Lynn win, Lynn win.
- A very slippery one.
- It's all I have.
- And then maybe.
- One second.
- Hello. Yeah I can. So I'm in . Thank you, alright bye.
- All right, we are back. So we had a motion by Alder Dorff seconded by Alder Steuer to return to an open session. All in favor will signify by saying aye.
- [All] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it we are back in open on item three, Alder Johnson

- Motion to receive and place on file.
- Second.
- Motion has been made to receive and place on file by Alder Johnson seconded by Alder Gerlach, any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the item is received and placed on file. Item four.
- Motion to hold until the next city council meeting.
- [Both] Second.
- Motion made by Alder Dorff seconded by Alder Scannell to hold this item over until our next council meeting. Any discussion here? Hearing none, all in favor will signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it and that item will be held until our next meeting. Now we are on to improvement in services.
- Motion approved.
- Second. Motion has been made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Corpus-Dax to approve report L which is report of the improvement in services committee from February 10 in 2021. Any items here to be handled separately?
- Mayor if I could just be recorded as an abstention on item 4, the applicant as a member of my executive committee.
- Very well, that will be noted. Any items to be held separately? Hearing none, all in favor of approving that report please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay.
- The ayes have it, that report has been approved. Protection Policy.
- Motion to approve.
- [Both] Second.
- Motion to approve made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Stevens. For M which is the Reported Protection Policy Committee in the meeting on February 8th, 2021. Any items here to be handled separately? Hearing none, all in favor of approving that report please signify by saying aye.

- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the report has been approved. Plan Commission.
- Motion approved.
- Second.
- Motion to approve made by Alder Corpus-Dax, seconded by Alder Scannell to approve report N, report of the planning commission from the meeting on February 8th, 2021. Any items here to be handled separately? Hearing none, all in favor of approving the report please-
- Mr Mayor.
- Yes, Alder Lefebvre.
- Number five.
- Item five will be handled separately, any others? Hearing none others, all in favor of approving the remainder of that report please signify by saying aye.
- [All] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the report has been approved with the exception of item five. Your wishes on item five?
- Yes at the, oh I'm sorry.
- Motion to approve.
- Motion to approve made by Alder Steuer.
- Second.
- Seconded by Alder Scannell, the item was pulled by Alder Lefebvre, you have the floor Alder.
- Yes at the , it was noted that... I mean it was not properly noted for the public to weigh in and so there's gonna be a public hearing next month. Would that hold this up? Instead of being approved tonight?
- It's held anyway, we're holding it at planning. Because there wasn't a public notice.
- Okay. All right, thanks. It's just a question, thank you.
- Okay, so we are approving the request to hold over that item. We had a motion and a second. All in favor will signify by saying aye.

- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay.
- The ayes have it, and that has been held over before the park committee.
- Motion to approve.
- Second.
- Motion made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Dorff to approve report O which is a report of the park committee from the meeting on February 10, 2021. Any items here to be handled separately? Hearing none, all in favor of approving that report please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay.
- The ayes have it, the report has been approved. Personnel?
- Motion to approve.
- Second.
- Motion made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Corpus-Dax to approve report P which is a report of Personnel Committee from the meeting on February 9th, 2021. Any items here to be handled separately? Hearing none, all in favor approving that report please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the report has been approved. Receive and place on file.
- Motion to receive and place on file.
- [Both] Second.
- Motion has been made by Alder Scannell, seconded by Alder Steuer to receive and place on file the municipal and building permit reports for January 2021. Any discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of approving those reports, please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay? The ayes have it the reports have been approved and received and placed on file.
- On to resolutions here. We have the ability obviously as we oftentimes do to take these resolutions in mass. I would suggest maybe one through six unless there's an objection there.
- I'd like to speak on number seven.

- Yep
- I'll hold number seven. Thank you.
- Yep, okay.
- Motion to suspend the rules for items one through six.
- [Both] Second.
- Motion has been made to suspend the rules and take up resolutions one through six with one roll call vote, motion was made by Alder Scannell seconded by Alder Lefebvre. All in favor of that motion please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the rules are suspended. I'll entertain a motion to adopt resolutions one through six.
- Motion to adapt.
- Second.
- Motion to adapt by Alder Scannell, seconded by alder Stevens on resolutions one through six and we will use the board. Clerk Jeffreys, just in case you didn't catch this Alder VanderLeest didn't have to leave our meeting to go to the county board meeting. In case we're waiting on his vote.
- It didn't come up, did it come up for anybody yet?
- Those are adopted, 11-0.
- Did that happen?
- Happens somehow, I guess. On to R7, Alder Dorff.
- Yeah, so I'd like to read a statement before I make a motion on that, and then we can have discussion. So this is something I've been really thinking about a lot over the past few weeks, months. And so I'm just gonna read this statement that I worked on. The resolution regarding Green Bay Area public schools in its original form was based on conjecture and unsupported by data. It was extensively amended to make it less offensive and insulting. And in the words of another Alder, the intent of the original resolution was basically watered down so it means nothing. As it stands the resolution now states, now therefore be it resolved that the Common Council of the city of Green Bay is in support of the Green Bay Area Public School District as it prepares to offer safe in-person option of learning for students. On its surface, by voting yes on this resolution, I would appear to be supporting the Green Bay Area Public School District. And by voting no, it could be perceived that I'm not supporting the school district. There's another interpretation however, I do not believe that this Green Bay City Council should interfere in any way with the decision making of another local

elected body, unless that body is acting in an egregious manner by refusing to act on a matter for which it is responsible. That is not the case with the issue of making a plan regarding the face to face reopening of Green Bay Area public schools. There is a plan beginning seven school days from today. In the words of one of Alder Brunette's constituents who emailed all of us, quote, "You have no business passing any kind of resolution that concerns the Green Bay School District. You were to inspire garbage plowing and to be fiscally responsible when spending our tax dollar. No responsibility or obligation to share your opinion on school board proceedings." In my opinion, this resolution is not appropriate. This resolution addresses a topic that is not germane to the work of the Green Bay City Council. This resolution should not be before Council, but unfortunately here it is. I believe this resolution should be received and placed on file. If it is not, I see no viable option for myself other than to abstain from voting as I cannot in clear conscience vote either yes or no. I cannot in clear conscience that I believe does not belong before this council. Therefore my motion is, I move to receive and place on file.

- Have a motion to receive and place on file, is there a second?

- I'll second.

- Second.

- Seconded by Alder Galvin. Alder Scannell is in the queue.

- Thank you your Honor. I would just like to reiterate that this resolution is like no other resolution we have done. Other resolutions were to like the county or the state. They are two governing bodies that are similar to ourselves. We're all part of the same governing pie. We just have different sizes of jurisdiction. The school actually used to be part of the city governance. In the 90s it was, that relationship was severed and it became completely separate, it's its own pie. It's blueberry pie and we're banana cream with nuts on top. So I think we should really honor that separation. Furthermore, this resolution unlike all the other resolutions is a controversial one. There was no controversy about the tars, polluting our environment, or dark stores, sappines of our tax base revenue. This is choosing sides. There are a group of people who feel the schools should have been opened yesterday and there are people who wish the schools could have been open yesterday, but they did support the school board and not opening them at the time. So we are asking to... We're being thrown into the middle of a controversial issue and I really hesitate to be on either side of that. It's been mentioned that a couple of times that the information that Alders are using is . I'd like to see a show of hands of who knows what third Friday count is? Anybody aware what third Friday count is?

- I know fish fry Friday?

- Nope.

- And that just goes to show... I mean, the number that was tossed around for loss of enrolled students. Taken from third Friday counts which has nothing to do with enrollment. It has to do with attendance. And I won't go into what third Friday counting all purposes through Friday count I don't have the time for that. But to extrapolate from that information that students are not enrolled in the Green Bay schools is completely inappropriate inaccurate. And those third Friday counts, a kid has a snuffle and is not attending school that day. And he just wants to stay in bed and bring plenty of fluids,

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get some sleep and read some comic books, if they still do that these days. And we have them shipped off to Timbuktu. I mean, you cannot say that attendance is enrollment, is just inaccurate, we lack the expertise to deal with some of the information we are given here. And I don't think we have enough of that information. So to really make a sound decision here, we would have to put on school board member hats, and have a lot more information and have to know how to interpret it accurately. And we just don't have that. So, since this is not a typical resolution, we don't have all the data we need, we don't have the background for it. I feel very uncomfortable getting involved in this in any size, shape, or form. And I think the only thing we can really say about this year as far as education, it's been a messed up year. This pandemic has been awful in so many ways and in education it's a messed up year.

- Yeah.

- Going back to school, it's still gonna be a messed up year. I mean just a cursory reading of what's going on out there. I mean, there are districts that have opened up, and they've had situations where students were infected and so they had to be isolated. So you have these big rooms have all kinds of different students, different grade, levels, different activities are all in one room, that's not optimal for education. You had problems with teachers getting sick and not having enough subs. So students are placed into other classrooms, great classroom sizes. I know of an elementary child who with a teacher over internet saying, oh couldn't wait to get back and first thing she wants to do is give her a big hug. And the teacher said, wow, we won't be able to do that. And the kid cry. I mean, there's not gonna be any hugging, any high fives, any pat's on the back between teachers and students, between students and students. This is gonna be a messed up year no matter what happens. And for us to get involved in this at all, I feel very... I don't wanna do that, I don't wanna get involved in this. So, when this first came out, my initial reaction was to be against it. Then I was hoping, I thought, pause and said, is there some way I could get on board with this? Because I recognize that there are a lot of people out there suffering. And as a city Alder this has been a very frustrating time, this pandemic has been awful. And anything I can do to help ease the pain or suffering someone's going through, I wanna do it. And if there's some way I could help with a group of people to feel better, I was willing to bend over backwards and try and do it but I just don't see how I can do this and I'm very sorry for the people who are suffering out there. And I would just also like to add for Alders, I think it's very appropriate, if Alders wanna get involved in this on their own. On social media, letters, to the editor, whatever. Standard soapbox for the falcon, go to rallies, as certainly their prerogative. And I don't have a problem with Alders bringing this forward to the council to consider. I don't think that's inappropriate, but I do think it's inappropriate for this body to get involved in this. And I certainly don't wanna to do it, so I will not be supporting it. Thank you.

- Mr. Mayor.

- Yes Alder.

- Oh yeah, Alder Lefebvre.

- I'm gonna have to leave because for the meeting coming up, okay.

- Okay.

- Okay, thank you. Thank you everyone. Good night.

- Mayor.

- Yes, who is seeking recognition?

- Alder Brunette.

- Alder Brunette, go ahead.

- Thank you. On the resolution, I'm against the receive and place on file. We removed a lot of the controversial or what we considered controversial or conjecture. Was a vote of 12 to zero to advance it to the stage. The school board decision and in within a few weeks school children in the Green Bay school district will be returning in-person instruction or at least there's an option. It will surprise I'll be honest with you, because we removed all the conjecture or controversial part. I was willing to bring forward a motion to amend the title because the title was the only thing that really remained that was controversial and I'm very happy to do that. If you look at the actual resolution, aside from the controversy of whether or not we should even be bringing it up with to zero to advance it to that stage. There's really nothing aside from perhaps the title that's controversial. If I amend the title and remove teachers, parents, employees and school board and just simply say we support the Green Bay public school district in offering a safe in-person option, I don't know what is so much of a hang up about that. But I guess the question is for Attorney Chavez or you as chairman, what takes precedent motion to amend the resolution or motion to receive and place on file?

- Attorney Chavez.

- [Vanessa] I do not have my book in front of me and take precedence, receive and place on file it needs to be dealt with before you can do an amendment to it.

- All right. Thank you Attorney Chavez. I'm against the receive and place on file and I had some email conversations with a few Alders, so try to avoid the walking quorum thing as I always do but I think I have a title change to the resolution. Within when you look at this is absolutely nothing controversial about the tax so I wouldn't be against the receive and place on file, thank you.

- Thanks Alder. Other comments on the motion? Alder Johnson.

- Thank you Mayor, I'm also against receive and place on file. Particularly recognizing Alder Brunettes willingness to offer an amendment at least to remove any piece that might be controversial. I think I stated my position quite thoroughly at the last meeting, it seems that most of the opposition focuses around how city council lacks jurisdiction on this issue. And while we may lack jurisdiction, I do not believe nor do I support that we lack the ability to have an opinion about something that so emphatically affects our community. And from a civics perspective, I think this is what governments do. This is how we communicate to one another. I appreciate Alder Scannell point about how this may seem to break the mold a little bit, I'm not so sure that it does. I think the issue does, is it we've never dealt with an issue quite exactly like this one, but we've dealt quite frankly with other issues in break the mold. And so I would oppose a vote to receive and place on file because I do wanna have the opportunity to vote and support this resolution to not only communicate to our community but to our school board that after the removal of the language that was controversial that we do support their decision, that they've already made because I do think it is important for us to find a way for

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our kids who are suffering, to have an opportunity to sort of ease that suffering and pain in some of those families are feeling and I think it creates an opportunity. A decision at school board has already made. For them to I guess have that outlet but more importantly for us as another governmental body to say, we support what you're doing, we recognize what you're doing is hard work. And quite frankly I wouldn't wanna be on the school board right now, those are some tough decisions. And I respect, I absolutely respect the hell out of what those, what they're doing right now and the challenges that they have to deal with and the work that they've put in. And I wanna have the opportunity to tell them that I do appreciate that. So, thank you Mayor.

- Thanks Alder, Alder Gerlach.

- I so wanted to have a compromise and because we passed this unanimously last time as it was amended, I still wanted to just be able to go ahead with this. And I really want to work with Alder Brunette instead of against him. I appreciate that he's willing to change the title. But still, it still subtly indicates that our preference is a safe in-person learning option which suggests that we as the council are to have a preference. And I would have to defer to what Alder Scannell said, we really have no right to express a preference about how learning should be delivered in the Green Bay public schools. I would just love to be able to say, yes change the title. Take out the word urge and all that sort of thing and I'll be happy with it. But I've listened to what Alder Scannell and Alder Dorff had to say and I have to agree if we really are going to stay within our lane and do what's right, the right thing is with this. And I say that with all respect to Alder Brunette and all the work he's put in and his willingness to compromise.

- Thanks Alder. Alder Scannell for a second time.

- Thank you. I just wanted to emphasize the divisiveness. I think if we had a divisive issue that we were dealing with, and another governing body was digging, they're just dipping their toes into it, using data without really understanding it. And creating... I think we've already done some damage through our discussion. I mean, we had last time we had an Alder shouting out to board members. I think that's not what our business should be about, we should not be campaigning for other people, for city business. So that just goes to show how inappropriate we are here. We should not be taking up this issue because it is divisive. This isn't us cooperating or helping or being useful to another governing body, they've not come to us for any help. This is us taking the side and playing part of that divisive role. And I just regret that we've done that. And I'm just very hesitant about getting any further mixed up in it. I appreciate what Alder Brunette is... I appreciate him from the beginning when I disagreed with it. There are people out there suffering and what can we do to help? It has been frustrating. We wanna help, we wanna be involved and been able to do a lot. And there's been a lot that's been out there and to do. But it's just beyond our capability. And I think us getting involved in this issue is just a huge mistake, it's a divisive issue, even now with the school board is still a divisive issue. And the teachers and their parents, there's still a divisive issue. And I just don't wanna get involved in that divisiveness. Thank you.

- Thanks. Any other comments? Alder Wery, go ahead.

- Thank you Mr. Mayor. That we had made some humility to have a decision that was 12-0 last week. Really all the giving had been from one side. And we had kinda come to a consensus. And I think we should have done that tonight, not receive and place on file. I think it's already had an effect on the board, positive effect. And we see their plan coming forward. So I have no problem voting on this

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tonight. And yeah, I think Andrew Becker and Rhonda Sitnikau did a wonderful job.

- Point of order. Point of order.

- Oh Randy, you're funny.

- No, it's not appropriate. Our business is not to campaign for other people. I'm not campaigning, I'm congratulating them.

- You said last time you hope they got reelected, that's what you said last time.

- I hope they do get reelected.

- Well, that's not something-

- I don't care what you like or not Randy.

- This is a point of order that should be ruled upon, that's all.

- Alder has requested, called for a point of order. I don't know that there's anything within our rules that prevents Alder Wery from making a statement like that. But I think it's important to keep in mind that obviously the business of governing and the business of campaigning should be kept separate.

- That's all right Mr. Mayor, I appreciate it Randy, just like .

- Thank you Alder. Alder Galvin.

- Thank you your Honor. I listened at our last council meeting and I think everybody has something good and positive to add to this discussion it's made me think. I agree with Alder Johnson, we have to be concerned as a community about our schools. Because poor schools reflects poorly on the city. And it can affect the city in the long run. At the same time, I am hesitant and I've been I think pretty vocal about it. My position is that I don't think we should be dictating to the school board how to conduct business with the school board. And in so much as we bear no responsibility for the decisions that we're trying to get them to make, we bear nothing if they make the wrong decisions based on the pressure that we put on them. And we're not... If we're concerned about depression and children that are not doing well scholastically. Where was all the concern before schools closed down? With the 800 to 1000 children that are homeless every night, that attend Green Bay schools. Where was the concern about the depression suffered by children that have to go to school. Suicidal ideation and the ones that have attempted and have committed suicide, where was the concern and the resolutions coming from this body to tell the school to do a better job. When Washington Middle School was in all the papers, in the news for weeks on end, about disciplinary issues and teachers that didn't wanna work there. Where was the concern in the resolutions then? Now suddenly we are and I think Alder Scannell is correct, we're taking sides here. With a group of parents that want schools open, I don't know anybody that doesn't want schools open. But I think a majority of people want schools open safely. It was our concern about this resolution what happens. Of all, we have another vote about masking in this community and three of our Alders voted against it. When part of attending school, the CDC, you must mask. You must maintain distance, you must

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have ventilation improvements, you must have so many other things in place. And we have Alders that get up and they demanded that we have to have this resolution, and then they turned right around and they spit on it and say we don't want mess in our community. And I have a real concern about that kind of situation. And I was one of the ones that voted last time. I mean all 12 of us voted in favor of it. But as I've thought about it, I've received more emails and comments from people. I'm not in favor of this going forward. Thank you.

- Thank you Alder. Any final comments on the motion to receive and place on file?

- I do mayor.

- Alder Brunette, the second time.

- Yeah, we're having the face masks. The schools is like any business regardless of city Green Bay ordinate require face mask anyway. And not only that but the state, the Governor Evers put something in place to require face coverings on the state level. That was my concern is that we're gonna have a cherry pick ordinances across multiple municipalities, the governor's actually eliminated that. Now we have a statewide mandate yet again. Regardless of that, the school would have required them and that I was in support of that, who wouldn't be in support of that? I just had issues with the ordinance as presented for reasons I stated which I think were good reasons. Currently, the resolution, you gotta really read it. I'm telling you folks, I appreciate that I willingly amended the ordinance last time to remove anything that could be considered conjecture or controversial. The only thing that remained was the title. Idea that I had was hopefully this motion fails but we came to a resolution in sup... Offering a safe in-person option of learning for students. Resolution in support of the Green Bay Area Public School District, that includes everyone offering a safe in-person option of learning for students. Absolutely nothing controversial about this, if anything it's for this council to affirm our support of the school district. If it votes, five-five and it loses or six-four and it loses. We're basic saying that we don't support... Why are we relitigating this we had such a good meeting, a 12 zero vote, it's really non binding. So I firmly strongly recommend you vote against it. It would be nice for this Council pass it with the amended title, with the amended body that has absolutely nothing and in fact a couple different states that we're in support of the Green Bay Area Public School District in a very tough decision. That's something we all should be in agreement to, it's a good chance for us to do that. After a pretty rough meeting the last couple weeks ago and then before that the committee that was controversial that was perhaps city Green Bay had. It's not its best moment, we can make this a good moment by voting to affirm support of the Green Bay Area Public School District. Because they made it... I watched those meetings, it was a very tough decision, a long meeting. I believe they made the right one. Some of you might not be. It just seems like, why are we doing this, 12 to zero we removed all the controversial parts I'm willing to amend the title to make even less controversial. Means a pretty simple vote, vote against a receive and place on file then I can make a motion to change the title and we can pass that. I'm against the motion. Thank you.

- Thanks Alder. Any final comments, Alder Dorff?

- Yes. There's something called magical thinking. And that's where you kind of put yourself into a universe that doesn't really exist or reality that doesn't really exist. In no reality was this resolution ever intended to support the Green Bay school board. When this resolution came along, the intention of this resolution was to pressure the Green Bay school board into opening quickly and safely. So to go back... To say no, is just all about supporting the Green Bay School board. I'm sorry, I

just I don't buy that. That's not what it's about, that's not what it was ever about. And in any case, this is not our role. So I will be voting yes to receive and place on file. Thank you.

- Thanks Alder. Any further comments? We will have a vote on receive and place on file.

- Alder Gerlach .

- Alder Gerlach.

- Just quickly I want to say I always appreciate listening to away from Green Bay for such a long time. I need the context. I really appreciate the context especially that Alder Galvin provided for this, it really helped me. I am sorry to say that I must agree with Alder Dorff, this is motivated by a divisive and loud issue that people have brought forward, it's not about supporting... The edits at its root, at its beginning, it was never about supporting the public schools, it was about catering to people who were making a lot of noise and in a very oppositional frame. And I just... I mean we just have to admit that, that's the truth, that's where it came from. It came from pressure from the outside to get us to step over the bounds and do what we should not do. Let's hold. Let's hold it now and let's not step across that line.

- Thanks Alder. Any final comments?

- Quick one, one quick one your Honor.

- That's for a third time Alder.

- It was mentioned how we have vested interest in the city about our schools. But with this year, COVID-19 year, every school district, every school system is... This is a messed up year. I don't think you can make any judgment or anybody can make any judgment about our city, about our school systems by going . It's messed up and it's going to be messed up. And that's just not Green Bay schools, it's every school in the city, in the state, in the country, in the world probably. So I don't see how we have any kind of vested interest as the city getting involved in this at all. I just feel very uncomfortable. Thank you Mayor.

- Thanks Alder. All right, seeing no final additional comments, we will move to a vote on the motion.

- We use the board.

- We can use the board. So the motion is to receive and place on file, item R7 resolution.

- It's a tie .

- That item ties 5-5, I don't know how many ties Mayor Schmitt broke but...

- Not as many.

- I've been on the hook for quite a few of these. I am going to vote against receiving and placing on file. But I do want to say that the word from Alder Gerlach, characterize the origin story of this resolution is accurate. I think it did start off as a very, very divisive topic. The language needed some

more and I think the council did a lot of that work as a legislative body to improve the language. It sounds as if and I'm gonna hold Alder Brunette to his commitment to offer an amendment on the title of this resolution as well. But I'd also like to echo what Alder Scannell said, this is a really, really difficult year for teachers, for students, for everybody across the globe. And that's true of anyone who is involved in public education or any form of education these days. My kids are in Green Bay public school, my wife's a school teacher. Back to school. But I think it's really important also to keep in mind that some of those kids and some of those families who are struggling most, are going to continue to struggle. Even the ones that are going back as Alder Scannell said, but I think it's even more important to know that the most... Some of the most disadvantaged kids whose families have been most directly impacted by COVID are going to stay virtual. And we know this based on the survey that Green Bay Schools has done. Some of the most disadvantaged families, some of the most impacted will continue to be virtual. And so I think it's incumbent upon all of us to figure out what we can do as a city, as city leaders to support our public schools, and to support our students especially as we move into the summer months. So that's something that I'm very committed to doing, I think it's important for us to send the message that school is not out for summer in 2021, school is gonna be in for summer and it's gonna be vitally important that the city does everything we can to support our students and teachers and everyone in Green Bay public schools. So I normally don't talk this much on items on the floor so I apologize for doing that and I appreciate the leeway that's been granted. But I do vote against the motion to receive and place on file. And I would recognize Alder Brunette who I believe has an amendment.

- Yeah. By the way Mayor, well said. You gave a perspective that many of us don't have. And that's really well appreciated. So I like to make a motion to amend the resolution of First Amendment and there together would be to... On the bottom of the page, the last whereas, remove the words beginning on March 29th, 2021. And also a resolution to strike the current title and change the title to resolution in support of the Green Bay Area Public School District offering a safe in-person option of learning for students.

- We have an amendment, is there a second?

- Second.

- Any discussion on that amendment? Alder Gerlach on the amendment or Alder Johnson?

- On the amendment?

- Okay. Alder Gerlach go ahead.

- Tell me if this is appropriate. Could I ask for a friendly amendment of the amendment?

- You can certainly state it.

- Okay. After all the discussion Alder Brunette, what I would like to suggest is that we we say this, just for the title I agree with removing the date. Resolution in support of the Green Bay Area Public School Board as it may the pandemic. We give them our support but we don't tell them what kind of decisions we're supporting.

- I think with all due respect Alder Gerlach just think we gotta throw support between the school

board and the parents or the tea... Like my resolution says, Green Bay Area Public School District which is basically everyone. Parents-

- I forgot the district, district. That's fine. But I would like you to just say, as it makes difficult decisions during the pandemic which provides support but does not suggest what kind of decisions we are supporting.

- I mean, I guess it's up for a second, I won't second that just because I've given a lot of thought to the title and I think it's a good one that allows pretty vanilla outcomes.

- I'll second it.

- Point of order Mayor.

- Alder Johnson

- I need Amendment. That hasn't being voted on yet?

- Yeah, you are able to amend an amendment. I don't know if that was properly offered.

- I think a friendly amendment can only go forward if the amender approves of it which he does not.

- Right.

- Yeah. I don't know that there is such a thing technically as a friendly amendment. I know that you can amend an amendment, Attorney Chavez you wanna weigh in?

- Yeah, there you're correct. Friendly amendment still just considered an amendment, it's just one that people don't dislike. You can amend an amendment if you... The order of how things go. I would consider it so this is an amendment to... I would say that this one needs to be considered first and then whether or not the amendment itself needs to be amended in a second one.

- Okay.

- So often that you should take into consideration first and then if that amendment passes then you can look at amending it a second time.

- Okay.

- Before it for approval.

- Very good, that's helpful. So Alder Brunette's amendment has a second from Alder Johnson. Any further discussion on that amendment itself?

- Can I do hear that one more time Alder Brunette's.

- How first of, we will remove the date because the school district... By the way the date was added in here which Alder Dorff and the Mayor caught is reflected in the agenda of that. I don't know if we

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need to remove that but we probably should. 'Cause it was in the published agenda. The title would be resolution in support of the Green Bay Area Public School District offering a safe in-person option of learning for students. Basically mimics the very bottom of the resolute, it's just almost verbatim. So it reiterates what has already been stated in the body of the resolution.

- Okay, so we have an amendment and a Second. All in favor will signify by saying aye.

- [Crowd] Aye.

- Oppose nay.

- The ayes have it and the amendment is adopted. Alder Gerlach.

- Oh, I withdraw my amendment.

- No you can add your amendment.

- It's okay to withdraw. Any other comments? All right, hearing none. We will-

- A motion to approve as amended, is that appropriate?

- Yeah, I was... It's been a long meeting so I'm little struggling here a little bit to figure out what-

- Motion approved as amended.

- Second.

- Motion has been made by Alder Brunette, seconded by Alder Scannell. All in favor will signify by saying aye.

- [Crowd] Aye.

- Oppose nay. The ayes have it and then we'll use the board on adoption because it is a resolution.

- Mayor, can I make a quick comment?

- Alder Steuer go ahead.

- Thank you. I'm just gonna piggyback on what Alder Scannell said, you're talking about reaching out, doing things for the district and that and in my own little way, I'm teaching a class over at Elmore schools virtually on Geography and History. And I'm enjoying it but all I'm saying is that we all can chip in some way to make it all whole so I appreciate your comment that way and I've taken it to heart. Thank you.

- Absolutely. Thanks for doing that Alder. Alder Scannell.

- Yeah, yep, yep.

- That is adopted six to two with two abstentions. Onto ordinances for 3d.
- Motion to advance.
- Can we get a seconder.
- Second.
- Oh. Motion to advance made by... Actually we'll do a...
- A motion to suspend the rules.
- Yeah, suspend, yeah.
- Motion to suspend the rules made by Alder Scannell.
- Second.
- Seconded by Alder Wery to suspend the rules and take up these items with one roll call vote. All in favor the motion please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, the rules are suspended.
- Motion to advance.
- Second.
- Motion by Alder Scannell seconded by Alder Wery to advance items S1, S2, and S3 to final reading. All in favor please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, and they had been advanced. Final adoption, petitions and communications. Alder Galvin.
- I believe this door to personnel. To discuss and evaluate the expiration date for the city's policy on COVID-19 paid sick leave for each employee group as the COVID-19 vaccine becomes available to city employees. Thank you Alder. Any others? Entertain a motion.
- Motion to refer with a shout out to Alder Wery for getting it in so we can have to pay faor it.
- Welcome Randy.
- Motion to refer made by Alder Scannell.
- Second.

- Seconded by Alder Wery referring all a petitions and communications of proper authority. All in favor of the motion please signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, petitions and communications have been referred. Adjournment.
- Motion to adjourn.
- Second.
- Motion to adjourn me by Alder Scannell seconded by Alder Steuer, all in favor signify by saying aye.
- [Crowd] Aye.
- Oppose nay. The ayes have it, we're adjourned. Thanks everybody.
- Peace.