



**MINUTES**  
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
WISCONSIN RAPIDS COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022  
5:00 P.M.

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Wisconsin Rapids Common Council was held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, and via remote videoconferencing on Tuesday, October 24, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. The public was invited to listen to the audio of the meeting. The meeting was also streamed LIVE on the City's Facebook page.

All Alderpersons were present, except Rayome who was excused. Also present were Mayor Blaser, Tim Desorcy, Tyler Mickelson, Katherine Elchert, and Elizabeth Whelan.

1. Call to Order

Council President Veneman called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

2. Discussion Regarding the 2023 Budget

The 2023 Budget was discussed.

It was moved by Delaney, seconded by Zacher, to reduce the library appropriation by \$755,244.25. Motion failed 3 ayes and 4 nays. Zacher, Polach, and Delaney voted in the affirmative.

It was moved by Zacher, seconded by Delaney, to reduce the library appropriation by \$350,000.00. Motion carried 4 ayes and 3 nays. Austin, Evanson, and Bemke voted in the negative.

Alderperson Evanson left the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

It was moved by Veneman, seconded by Austin, to use ARPA funds to replace the roof of the Centralia Center and the 6 rooftop units while additionally utilizing the 250,000.00 in the Centralia replacement account. The balance of the ARPA funds would be used for road projects. Motion carried 6 ayes and 0 nays.

3. Adjourn

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shane E. Blaser, Mayor