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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
**WISCONSIN RAPIDS COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE**

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Wisconsin Rapids Common Council to be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, and via remote videoconferencing on Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. **The public may listen to the meeting by calling 1-312-626-6799, Access code: 835 8029 0481#.** The meeting will also be streamed LIVE on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page. This meeting is also available after its conclusion on the City's Facebook page and Community Media's YouTube page, which can be accessed at [www.wirapids.org](http://www.wirapids.org). If a member of the public wishes to submit comments to the Council regarding an agenda item, please contact Mayor Blaser via email or phone at [mayor@wirapids.org](mailto:mayor@wirapids.org) or 715-421-8216 before the meeting.

### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer in Lieu of Invocation
4. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on August 17, 2021 (See Attachment #1)
5. Consider the Appointment of Members to the Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee
6. Consider a Resolution Extending the Emergency Declaration Proclamation Regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic (See Attachment #2)
7. Consider a Preliminary Resolution to Initiate Discontinuance of a Portion of Avon Street Pursuant to Section 66.1003, Wisconsin Statutes, as requested by Wood County as part of the jail expansion (See Attachment #3)
8. Public Comment and Review of Transportation Utility Ordinance (updated Ordinance will be provided before the Council meeting)
9. Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Planning Commission at its meeting held on September 13, 2021:
  1. Approval of the report from the August 2, 2021 Plan Commission meeting
  2. **Plan-21-0848; Verso Corporation** – request to alter boundary lines of nonconforming lots to lessen the nonconformity at 231 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North (Parcel ID 3402440), 300 West Jackson Street (Parcel ID 3402526), 610 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Parcel ID 3402445), and 950 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Parcel ID 3402435)
  3. **PLAN-21-0851; Verso Corporation** – request for a Certified Survey Map approval to create three lots at 950 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue North (Parcel ID 3402435)
  4. **PLAN-21-0907; Mark Johnson, Forward Real Estate Services, LLC.** – request for a Certified Survey Map approval to create two lots at 2820 8<sup>th</sup> Street South (Parcel ID 3412972)
  5. **PLAN-21-0852; Mark Johnson, Forward Real Estate Services, LLC.** – request for a site plan review to construct a Caribou Coffee at 2820 8<sup>th</sup> Street South (Parcel ID 3412972)
  6. **PLAN-21-0813; Wisconsin Rapids 3810 8<sup>th</sup> St S WI, LLC** – request for a site plan review to make site improvements, including to the parking lot, for a restaurant at 3810 8<sup>th</sup> Street South (Parcel ID 3413805)
  7. **PLAN-21-0880; Dale Davis – SWEPS Food Pantry** - request for a site plan review to construct an addition onto a building housing the food pantry at 2321 West Grand Avenue (Parcel ID 3401190)
  8. **PLAN-21-0882; Mitch Altman, representing Matalco** – request for a site plan review to construct a building at 4800 Commerce Drive (Parcel ID 3409861)
  9. **PLAN-21-0838; Wisconsin Rapids Public School District** – public hearing and action on a request for a conditional use permit amendment to construct an addition on the high school at 1801 16<sup>th</sup> Street South (Parcel ID 3414751)

10. **PLAN-21-0816; County of Wood** – public hearing and action on a request for a zoning map amendment to rezone 410 Avon Street (Parcel ID 3407750), zoned B-2 General Commercial and R-2 Mixed Residential district, and 431 Saratoga Street (Parcel ID 3407748), zoned B-2 General Commercial, to I-1 Institutional District

11. Adjourn

**10. Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Standing Committees of the Common Council, as Follows:**

**A. Finance and Property Committee meeting held on September 7, 2021:**

1. Call to Order
2. Consider for approval a Temporary Retail Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverages License for Heart of Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce, 1120 Lincoln Street, for the premises as outlined on the map provided, for a 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Downtown Grand Affair to be held on Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
3. Consider for approval a Temporary Retail Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverages License for Central Wisconsin Cultural Center, 2651 Eighth Street South, for a Gallery Opening to be held on Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
4. Consider for approval a Temporary Retail Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverages and “Class B” Wine License for Central Wisconsin Cultural Center, 2651 Eighth Street South, for an Art on Tap Event to be held on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
5. Consider for approval a Temporary Retail Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverages and “Class B” Wine License for Assumption Catholic Schools, Inc., 445 Chestnut Street, for a Royal Event to be held on Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
6. Consider a quote for a Fortinet Enterprise Firewall with 5 years of replacement and support, with setup up and configuration performed by RMM Solutions.
7. Consider for approval a revised contract with Forward Appraisal, LLC for assessment services for assessment years 2022 and 2023, to include additional services that were previously provided by the Administrative Technician.
8. 2022 Budget timeline
9. Audit of the Bills
10. Consider the land use of a vacant City-owned building located at 161 & 163 3<sup>rd</sup> Street North, Parcel IDs: 34-08156 & 3408157.
11. Adjourn.

**B. Public Works Committee meeting held on September 7, 2021:**

1. Call to order
2. Review 8<sup>th</sup> Street State-Municipal Agreement for the repaving of 8<sup>th</sup> St S from the south City limits to Whitrock Av.
3. Discuss and consider an Ordinance Creating Chapter 51 and Amending Chapter 6 of the Wisconsin Rapids Municipal Code Regarding Creation of a Transportation Utility.
4. Review 2022-2026 public works construction CIP
5. Consider preliminary resolution to reconstruct Oak Street from e Jackson to 16<sup>th</sup> St S (2023 construction)
6. Consider allowing staff to review and approve bids for construction of railroad extension to serve Matalco
7. Review proposals for soil borings for engineering investigations on Washington St, Apricot St, and One Mile Creek Pond
8. Review DPW report, including an update on the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Storm Sewer Repair
9. Review referral list
10. Adjourn

**C. Human Resources Committee meeting held on September 7, 2021:**

1. Call to order
2. Discuss and consider for approval the proposed position of Community Development Administrative Technician. See attached job description.
3. Discuss plan for further COVID-19 policies/protocols in the event they are needed.

4. The Committee will vote to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., which reads: "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session"
  - (a) In closed session, the Committee will discuss negotiation and bargaining strategy, as well as initial offers, regarding labor negotiations with IAFF and WRPPA
5. The Committee will adjourn in closed session.

**11. Reports of Other Committees, Commissions and Boards; Department Reports**

- A. South Wood County Airport Commission held June 10 and August 5
- B. McMillan Memorial Library: Nominating Committee held July 8, Board of Trustees held August 4 and August 18, Services Committee held August 10, Building and Grounds Committee held August 11
- C. Water Works & Lighting Commission held July 14 and August 20
- D. Wisconsin Rapids Housing Authority held July 28
- E. Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department Summary for August
- F. Wastewater Treatment Commission held August 4 and September 8
- G. Park and Recreation Commission held August 9
- H. Police and Fire Commission held August 11

**12. Referrals to Committees**

**13. Adjournment.**

Jennifer M. Gossick, City Clerk

The City of Wisconsin Rapids encourages participation from all its citizens. If participation at this meeting via audioconference is not possible due to a disability or other reasons, notification to the city clerk's office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting is encouraged to make the necessary accommodations. Call the clerk at (715) 421-8200 to request accommodations.