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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
**WISCONSIN RAPIDS COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2020**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE**  
**\*REVISED—Item #7 Added**

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Wisconsin Rapids Common Council to be held via remote videoconferencing originating from the City Hall Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. **The public may listen to the meeting by calling 1-312-626-6799 Access code: 824 0408 1532#.** 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.wr-cm.org](http://www.wr-cm.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 [sblaser@wirapids.org](mailto:sblaser@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. Recognition of Community Media Awards
5. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings held on September 15, 2020 and September 21, 2020 (See Attachments #1 and #2)
6. Consider a Resolution Extending the Emergency Declaration Proclamation Regarding the COVID-19 Pandemic (See Attachment #3)
7. **\*Consider accepting a bid and authorize awarding a contract to Bulk Storage, Inc. for the design, furnishing, and construction of a sludge storage building for Wastewater Treatment Plant operations.**
8. Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Planning Commission at its meeting held on October 5, 2020:
  1. Approval of the report from the September 21, 2020 Plan Commission meeting
  2. **PLAN 20-0817 – Community Development Department** – Public hearing and action on a request to amend the Zoning Code (Chapter 11 of the Municipal Code) to identify and define a light manufacturing/assembly use, including placement within zoning districts.
  3. **PLAN 20-0720 – Community Development Department** – Public hearing and action on a request to amend the Zoning Code (Chapter 11 of the Municipal Code), to modify the secondary review requirements for uses.
  4. Adjourn
9. Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Standing Committees of the Common Council, as Follows:
  - A. Finance and Property Committee meeting held on October 6, 2020
    1. Call to Order
    2. Review and consider for approval an ordinance which would authorize the Water Works and Lighting Commission to place delinquent electric billings as special charges on the property tax roll. (See attached ordinance)
    3. Review and consider for approval an intergovernmental services agreement with the South Wood County Airport Commission for the City to continue to provide airport management services at Alexander Field
    4. Review and consider for approval a referral from the Public Works Superintendent to purchase a Graco Paint Transfer Pump and Graco Line Stripper with Laser Dot
    5. Review and consider for approval a referral from the Public Works Superintendent to purchase a Solar Powered Traffic Arrow Board

6. Review and consider for approval a referral from the Public Works Superintendent to purchase 1 snow plow for end loader
  7. Consider a recommendation from Statewide Services to deny a claim from Brian Fenner for damages to his vehicle
  8. Review and consider a request for a change order from OBG (Ramboll) for design modifications related to the rail extension in Rapids East Commerce Center
  9. Beverage Operators' Licenses
  10. Audit of the Bills
  11. Review and approve Finance Committee budget meeting schedule
  12. Set next meeting date
  13. Adjourn
- B. Finance and Property Committee meeting held on October 13, 2020
    1. Call to Order
    2. 2021 Budget Review
    3. Set next meeting date
    4. Adjourn
  - C. Finance and Property Committee meeting held on October 15, 2020
    1. Call to Order
    2. 2021 Budget Review with emphasis on Engineering and Public Works Construction Fund
    3. Set next meeting date
    4. Adjourn
  - D. Public Works Committee meeting held on October 6, 2020
    1. Call to order
    2. Review DPW Report
    3. Review assessment report public outreach and discuss next steps
    4. Review request correspondence with DOT and State elected officials to enumerate the reconstruction of 8<sup>th</sup> Street South
    5. Consider a revision of the parking ordinance to allow additional street parking on 12<sup>th</sup> Street S immediately south of Chestnut St.
    6. Review referral list
    7. Adjourn
  - E. Human Resources Committee meeting held on October 8, 2020
    1. Call to order
    2. Discuss and consider for approval a Side-Bar Agreement with IAFF Local 425 regarding continuation of the Community Care Paramedic Program
    3. Discuss and consider for approval a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with IAFF Local 425 regarding the implementation of a one, or two-year trial work schedule; this schedule consists of 48 hours on duty, 96 hours off duty
    4. Discuss for clarification purposes the Emergency Paid Sick Leave policy that was approved at HR Committee meeting September 3, 2020
    5. HR Management Report
      - a. Recruitment
      - b. Compensation review
    6. Adjournment.
  - F. Human Resources Committee meeting held on October 19, 2020
    1. Call to order
    2. Discuss and consider for approval the replacement of the Senior Accountant position with an Assistant Director of Finance position; approve job description and compensation for the new position
    3. Adjournment
  - G. Legislative Committee meeting held on September 29, 2020
    1. Call to Order

2. Review and consider for adoption an ordinance amending Chapter 22 of the Municipal Code to authorize the City Clerk and Deputy Clerk as designated officials to issue beverage operator licenses, as has been recently allowed by a change in state law
3. Review and consider for adoption an ordinance amending Chapter 23 of the Municipal Code to eliminate the Reserve Class B Retail Alcohol license grant program because of changes in state law which now prohibit such grants
4. Review and consider for adoption an ordinance amending Chapter 17 of the Municipal Code to reflect current state administrative code and state statutes (SPS- Chapter 316 and Sect. 101.80, Wis. Stats.), necessary because the City is requesting designation as an electrical inspection agency
5. Consider a referral from Alderperson Rayome for a review of all committees, commissions, and boards  
Specific consideration of:
  - a. Park and Recreation Commission responsibilities (as requested by Park and Recreation Commission)
  - b. Consider elimination of the following Committees who have not met in years (as requested to be reviewed by Mayor Blaser):  
ADA Advisory, Redevelopment Authority, Haz-Mat, Industrial Development Commission
6. Review and consider for approval an ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code to remove the Mayor's Youth Council as a sub-unit of the Council; the Council will continue as an informal group
7. Review and consider for approval an amendment to Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code which would eliminate term limits for Water Works and Lighting Commissioners
8. Preliminary discussion regarding placing delinquent Water Works and Lighting Commission electric bills on the property tax roll
9. Adjourn

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

- A. McMillan Memorial Library held August 12 and September 16
- B. Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department Monthly Summary for September
- C. Wisconsin Rapids Police Department Monthly Summary for September
- D. Wastewater Treatment Commission held September 2
- E. Police and Fire Commission held September 9 and October 14
- F. Mayor's Youth Council held September 9
- G. Water Works and Lighting Commission held September 9 and October 2
- H. Parks and Recreation Commission held September 14 and October 12

**11. Referrals of Communication to Committees**

**12. 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.