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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
**WISCONSIN RAPIDS COMMON COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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, Wisconsin Rapids, on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be streamed live on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page and will also be broadcast live on Charter Cable Channel 985 and Solarus HD Cable Channel 3. If a member of the public wishes to access this meeting live via Zoom audio conferencing, you must contact the City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to the start of the meeting to coordinate your access. 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). It is possible that members of the Council may appear remotely via video or audioconferencing for this meeting.

**Agenda**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Prayer in Lieu of Invocation**
4. **Administration of Ceremonial Oaths of Office and Badge Pinning for the Wisconsin Rapids Police Department**
5. **Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings held on October 15 and November 14, 2024 (see attachments #1 and #2)**
6. **Consider for Adoption a Resolution Adopting the Tax Levy and the City of Wisconsin Rapids 2025 Budget and Water Works and Lighting Commission 2025 Budget (see attachment #3)**
7. **Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Planning Commission at its meetings held on November 4 and November 19, 2024:**
  - A. **Meeting held on November 4, 2024:**
    1. Approval of the report from October 7, 2024, Planning Commission meeting
    2. 24-002230; Michael & Victoria Fisher – request for a special exception to allow an accessory building in front of a principal building in the Mixed Residential (R-2) District at 1960 Gaynor Avenue (Parcel ID 3404604)
    3. Adjourn
  - B. **Meeting held on November 19, 2024:**
    1. 24-002038; Badger Land Survey, LLC – request to dedicate right-of-way along Airport Avenue and Sampson Street at 3230 Sampson Street (Parcel ID 3413267) via certified survey map to create two lots.
    2. Adjourn
8. **Consider for Adoption the Actions of the Standing Committees of the Common Council, as follows:**
  - A. **Finance and Property Committee meeting held on October 29, 2024:**
    1. Call to Order
    2. Audit of the bills
    3. Discuss animal control services from Wildlife Patrol LLC
    4. In open session, the Committee may vote to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, 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" and Section 19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., which reads "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."

- a. In closed session, the Committee will consider a Notice of Circumstances Giving Rise to Claim filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC—Briarwoods. LLC, regarding a claim for an alleged excessive tax assessment for 2024.
- b. In closed session, the Committee will consider settlement and dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC—Briarwoods, LLC, regarding its tax assessment for 2023.
5. The Committee will return to open session.
6. The Committee may consider and may take action on a claim contained in a Notice of Circumstances Giving Rise to Claim filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC-Briarwoods. LLC, regarding an alleged excessive tax assessment for 2024.
7. The Committee may consider and may take action on the settlement and dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Eagle Prairie, Inc. and CCC—Briarwoods, LLC, regarding its tax assessment for 2023.
8. Adjourn.

**B. Finance and Property Committee meeting held on November 12, 2024:**

1. Call to Order
2. Consider for approval a request from GameStop, Inc., Mark H. Robinson, agent, located at 930 Kuhn Avenue, for renewal of a Secondhand Article Dealer License
3. Consider for approval a request from E-Way Sales LLC, Jonathan Ruder, agent, located at 2660 8<sup>th</sup> Street South, Suite 105, for renewal of Pawnbroker, Secondhand Article Dealer, and Secondhand Jewelry Dealer Licenses
4. Consider for approval the appointment of Eric T. Adamski as successor agent for the Retail Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverages and Retail “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor licenses for Kwik Trip, Inc., d/b/a Kwik Trip 347, for the premises located at 4611 8<sup>th</sup> Street South
5. Consider a request from Zaira Enterprises LLC, D/B/A Shell on 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Muhammad Naeem, agent, for Retail Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverages and Retail “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor licenses for the premise located at 2411 8<sup>th</sup> Street South.
6. Consider a request from Zenia Enterprises LLC, D/B/A Citgo on 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Muhammad Naeem, agent, for Retail Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverages and Retail “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor licenses for the premise located at 3660 8<sup>th</sup> Street South.
7. Consider for approval a 2025 contract with South Wood County Humane Society for animal shelter services.
8. Consider for adoption a resolution setting the passenger fares for mass transit services
9. Consider for adoption a resolution setting the equivalent residential unit (ERU) charge for the Storm Water Management Utility
10. Consider for approval Budget Amendment No. 3
11. Audit of the bills
12. Set next meeting date
13. Adjourn.

**C. Public Works Committee meeting held on November 7, 2024**

1. Call to order
2. Review Engineering & Street Department Monthly Activity Report
3. Review bid results for the 2024 Crushing Contract and consider awarding the bid to the low, qualified bidder.
4. Review and consider modifying the parking along Dale Street, between 6<sup>th</sup> Street South and the east cul-de-sac.
5. Review and consider modifying the parking along 6<sup>th</sup> Street South, between Dale Street and Dewey Street.
6. Review and consider a resolution proposing to alter the at-grade crossing on 32<sup>nd</sup> St N, north of Kingston Road.
7. Review and consider grade crossing improvements on Kingston Road.
8. Review Referral List
9. Set Next Meeting Date
10. Adjourn

**D. Human Resources Committee meeting held on November 14, 2024**

1. Call to order.
2. HR Update

3. Consider a renewal of the on-site fitness and physical therapy services agreement with Advanced Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine, S.C. See attached.
4. Discuss and consider for approval continuing the current City Hall building hours of Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; and Friday, 8:00 a.m.– 12:00 p.m., through December 31, 2025
5. Discuss and consider for approval a request from Fire Chief Eckes for a recommended stipend/additional compensation of \$5,300 annually for a Battalion Chief who is designated as Deputy Fire Chief.
6. The Committee may 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"  
In closed session, the Committee will discuss negotiation and bargaining strategy regarding labor negotiations with WRPPA.

**E. Legislative Committee meeting held on October 29, 2024:**

1. Call to Order
2. Discussion regarding revisions to the City ordinance providing for matters referred to Committees and the actions of Council, Section 2.04(3) of the Municipal Code
3. Discussion regarding revisions to the City Ordinance regulating chickens, Section 25.03(3) of the Municipal Code
4. Discussion regarding revisions to Chapter 2 – City Administration, including language clean-up and a provision regarding the procedure for filling common council member vacancies.
5. Adjourn

**9. Reports of Other Committees, Commissions, Boards, and Department Reports:**

- a. Wisconsin Rapids Housing Authority held August 28, 2024
  - b. McMillan Memorial Library Board of Trustees held September 18, 2024
  - c. Police and Fire Commission held October 9, 2024
  - d. Water Works and Lighting Commission held October 9, 2024
  - e. Park and Recreation Commission held October 14 and November 11, 2024
- Department Reports for October 2024
- f. Engineering Department
  - g. Public Works Department
  - h. Wisconsin Rapids Fire Department
  - i. Wisconsin Rapids Police Department

**10. Referrals to Committees**

**11. Adjourn.**

Jennifer M. Gossick, City Clerk

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