

**Common Council
of the City of Onalaska**

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

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1 The Meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12,
2 2016. It was noted that the meeting had been announced and a notice posted at City Hall.

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4 Roll call was taken, with the following members present: Mayor Joe Chilsen, Ald. Jim Binash,
5 Ald. Jim Bialecki, Ald. Barry Blomquist, Ald. Jim Olson, Ald. Harvey Bertrand, Ald. Bob Muth

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7 Also Present: City Clerk Cari Burmaster, Financial Services Director/Treasurer Fred Buehler,
8 City Attorney Sean O’Flaherty, City Engineer Jarrod Holter, Interim Land Use and Development
9 Director Katie Aspenson, Human Resource Director Hope Burchell

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11 **Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance**

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13 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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15 **Item 3 – Public Input: (limited to 3 minutes/individual)**

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17 Mayor Chilsen welcomed public input at this time.

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19 **Andy LeFebre, Pastor of Rivers Harvest Church**

20 **1001 Quincy Street**

21 **Onalaska**

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23 “I would like to congratulate Mayor Chilsen on his victory. I also would like to thank him for
24 his input in our situation with the child care center. Thank you, Mayor. And I would also like to
25 say a prayer for this evening if I could. If you would like to, you could lower your heads. If not,
26 that’s fine. *‘Father, we ask for a blessing upon the Aldermen and the Mayor and the city. And
27 Lord, we thank you for them. We ask for their plans to succeed and Lord, you to be behind their
28 plans. And we ask for a blessing upon the Hougom family as they’re honored tonight. In Jesus’
29 name, Amen.’ ”*

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31 **Bob Muth, Second District Alderperson**

32 **317 Spruce Street**

33 **Onalaska**

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35 “I wanted to make a point. I would like to recognize Cari Burmaster, our City Clerk, for the
36 extreme extra effort and work she did on the election we just had April 5. I’m aware of the many
37 hours and responsibility she carries with her position, and the long hours she put in. I also
38 appreciate her staff and the election workers for their efforts to give our citizens accurate and
39 quick results of the day’s voting. Cari, to me as a Council member, has always helped me with
40 any question I’ve ever had, and she’s done it in a very professional and kind manner. I just
41 wanted to recognize her for an outstanding job this last election, which was extremely difficult.
42 Thanks, Cari.”

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44 Mayor Chilsen called three times for anyone else wishing to provide public input and closed that
45 portion of the meeting.

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47 **Item 4 – REPORT FROM THE MAYOR:**

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49 A. Library statistics for March

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51 Mayor Chilsen said he had not received the library statistics for March.

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53 B. Proclamation for Charlotte Hougom Day

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55 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for Charlotte Hougom Day.

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57 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the Proclamation for Charlotte
58 Hougom Day.

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60 On voice vote, motion carried.

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62 C. Proclamation for Arbor Day

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64 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for Arbor Day.

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66 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the Proclamation for Arbor Day.

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68 On voice vote, motion carried.

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70 D. Proclamation – Officer Knute Aasen Retirement

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72 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for Officer Knute Aasen’s Retirement.

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74 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Blomquist, to approve the Proclamation for Officer
75 Knute Aasen Retirement.

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77 On voice vote, motion carried.

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79 E. Proclamation – Officer Jim Page – Recognition for years of service

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81 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for Officer Jim Page.

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83 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the Proclamation – Officer Jim Page
84 – Recognition for years of service.

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86 On voice vote, motion carried.

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88 F. Recognition of staff for April 5, 2016 Spring Election

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90 Mayor Chilsen recognized and thanked Cari, her staff and the Board of Canvassers for their work
91 during the April 5 Spring Election.

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93 Ald. Bialecki echoed Ald. Muth and Mayor Chilsen's sentiments, noting that a City Clerk's
94 requirements are different now compared to 20 years ago.

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96 **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION FROM THE**
97 **FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/BOARDS:**

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99 All items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one
100 motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member requests
101 removal, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in the
102 order of business in the non-consent agenda.

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104 **Item 5 – Consent Agenda**

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106 A. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting(s)

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108 **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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110 B. Accept Omni Center Financials for 2016

111 C. Accept City General Fund Financials for 2016

112 D. Approval of the usage of enterprise improvement funds in the Cemetery to hire Paragon
113 Associates regarding the design of cemetery pillars for the 2016 Cemetery Project not to
114 exceed \$2,645

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116 **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

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118 E. Approval of changes to the following job descriptions:

119 1. Patrol Officer job description

120 2. DARE/GREAT Officer job description

121 3. Police Liaison job description

122 4. K-9 Patrol Officer job description

123 5. Investigator job description

124 6. Sergeant job description

125 7. Assistant Police Chief job description

126 F. Approval of authorization to replace and post and advertise a Patrol Officer position

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- 127 G. Approval of authorization to replace and post and advertise a Sergeant position, and if
128 promoted within the department, a Patrol Officer position
129 H. Approval of Park & Recreation department reorganization
130 I. Approval of changes to the following job descriptions due to the Park & Recreation
131 reorganization:
132 1. Buildings Coordinator job description
133 2. Recreation Coordinator job description
134 3. Aquatic Center Specialist job description
135 4. Concession Specialist job description
136 5. Administrative Assistant job description
137 6. Administrative Assistant – Omni job description
138 7. Aquatic Center Attendant job description
139 8. Aquatic Center Lead Attendant job description
140 9. Lifeguard job description
141 10. Head Lifeguard job description
142 11. Concession Worker job description
143 12. Concession Lead Worker job description
144 J. Approval of authorization to replace and post and advertise:
145 1. Recreation Coordinator (FT)
146 2. Concession Specialist (PT)
147 3. Administrative Assistant – Omni (PT)
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149 **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

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151 K. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1544-2016** – to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10, Section 34 of
152 the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Removal of Illegally Parked
153 Vehicles (First and Second Reading)
154 L. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1547-2016** – to amend Chapter 2 of Title 6, Section 2 of the
155 Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Sidewalk Permit required (Third
156 and Final Reading)
157 M. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1548-2016** – to amend Chapter 2 of Title 2, Section 11 of
158 the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Special Meetings (First and
159 Second Reading)
160 N. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1549-2016** – to amend Chapter 11 of Title 7, Section 1 of
161 the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Transient and Temporary
162 Public Entertainments (Third and Final Reading)
163 O. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1550-2016** – to amend Chapter 4 of Title 7, Section 4 of the
164 Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Registration of Direct Sellers
165 (Third and Final Reading)
166 P. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1551-2016** – to amend Chapter 2 of Title 5, Section 9 of the
167 Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Open Burning (Third and Final
168 Reading)

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- 169 Q. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1552-2016** – to amend Chapter 7 of Title 7, Section 1 of the
170 Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Regulation of Fireworks (Third
171 and Final Reading)
- 172 R. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1553-2016** – to amend Section 60 of Article C of Chapter 1
173 of Title 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to Gas Licenses
174 (Third and Final Reading)
- 175 S. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1555-2016** – to amend Title 11 Chapter 2 of the City of
176 Onalaska Code of Ordinances related to Carrying Concealed Weapons Prohibited (First
177 and Second Reading)
- 178 T. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1556-2016** – to amend Title 7 Chapter 5 Section 9 of the
179 City of Onalaska Code of Ordinances related to Failure to File a Room Tax Return (First
180 and Second Reading)

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182 **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

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- 184 U. Approval of a Class “B” Outdoor Venue License at 910 2nd Avenue North, Onalaska for
185 Two Beagles Brewpub
- 186 V. Approval of Operator’s Licenses as listed on report dated April 6, 2016
- 187 W. Approval of 2015-2016 Class “B” Liquor License for the following applicant:
188 1. TWIN BEAGLES BREWING COMPANY, LLC, d/b/a TWO
189 BEAGLES BREWPUP, 910 2nd Avenue North, Onalaska, Wisconsin
190 54650
- 191 X. Special Events Permits:
192 1. Approval of March of Dimes Run/Walk – March for Babies on April 30,
193 2016 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Rowe Park, Onalaska
194 2. Approval of Celebrate Onalaska Event from noon on June 24, 2016
195 through 3 p.m. on June 26, 2016 at Omni Center/Van Riper Park,
196 Onalaska
197 3. Approval of the Rugged Run on June 26, 2016 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
198 starting at Van Riper Park, Onalaska
- 199 Y. Approval of request for Change of Agent for La Crosse Country Club, 300 Marcou Road,
200 Onalaska to Mark Tennie
- 201 Z. Denial of request from family for burial of ashes for Don J. Hurd in Block 140, Lot 6,
202 Grave 4 with ashes of parents
- 203 AA. Approval of increasing the fee for special meetings to \$250
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205 **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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- 207 BB. Approval of professional engineering services for preliminary design of Greens
208 Coulee high pressure zone improvements by Short Elliott Hendrickson in the amount of
209 \$10,500
- 210 CC. Approval of transfer of property from Elmwood Partners to the City of Onalaska

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- 211 along Nathan Hill Estates stormwater ponding area (Parcel #18-4451-8 & 9-20-0)
- 212 DD. Approval of construction engineering services for 2016 Great River Landing
- 213 Project Phase I to Short Elliott Hendrickson in the amount of \$74,500
- 214 EE. Approval of surveying services for Certified Survey Map for Great River Landing Project
- 215 Phase I from Short Elliott Hendrickson in the amount of \$7,100
- 216 FF. Approval of archaeological services for Great River Landing Project Phase I with
- 217 Mississippi Valley Archaeology Center in the amount of \$17,776
- 218 GG. Approval of geotechnical services for Great River Landing Phase I with Braun
- 219 Intertec in the amount of \$6,675
- 220 HH. Approval of bus shelter installation along the 1300 block of County Road PH
- 221 II. Approval of bids received for 2016 Miscellaneous Concrete Project to Fowler &
- 222 Hammer, Inc. in the amount of \$118,262.50
- 223 JJ. Approval of bids received for 2016 Main Street Concrete Project to C.P.R., Inc. in the
- 224 amount of \$162,987.50
- 225 KK. Approval of bids received for 2016 Pavement Project by Mathy Construction,
- 226 including alternates #1, #2 and #3, in the amount of \$1,464,229.50
- 227 LL. Approval of 2016 pavement maintenance:
- 228 1. Chip Seal with La Crosse County Highway Department in the amount of
- 229 \$319,204
- 230 2. Installation of fiber patching material by Fahrner Asphalt Sealers in the
- 231 amount of \$49,170
- 232 3. Asphalt pavement expansion installation by Fahrner Asphalt Sealers in
- 233 the amount of \$34,400
- 234 4. Centerline painting by Fahrner Asphalt Sealers in the amount of \$12,700
- 235 5. Purchase of fiber patching material from Sherwin Industries, Inc. in the
- 236 amount of \$19,600
- 237 6. Parking lot sealing/crack filling by Fahrner Asphalt Sealers:
- 238 i. Library in the amount of \$4,532.65
- 239 ii. Omni Center/Aquatic Center in the amount of \$26,691.13
- 240 iii. City Hall in the amount of \$12,638.40
- 241 7. Concrete joint sealing on Main Street
- 242 MM. Approval of closure of the 200 block of Riders Club Road from Friday, June 24th
- 243 to Sunday, June 26th for the Celebrate Onalaska event
- 244 NN. Approval of view shed enhancement along State Trunk Highway 35 between
- 245 Poplar Street and Troy Street by Zielies Tree Service in the amount of \$13,600
- 246 OO. Approval of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 2015 Stormwater
- 247 Permit Annual Report
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PLAN COMMISSION

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- 251 PP. Approval of a rezoning request filed by the City of Onalaska for City-owned parcels
- 252 along Irvin Street, 1st Avenue and 2nd Avenue South (State Road 35) for miscellaneous

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253 zoning districts including R-1, B-1, M-3, and undefined to Public and Semi-Public for the
254 purpose of public recreation and open space uses to construct the Great River Landing
255 (Tax Parcels #18-1-0, 18-9-100, 18-6-0, 18-15-0, 18-20-1, 18-19-0, 18-16-0, 18-18-0,
256 and 18-2-2)

257 QQ. Approval of a rezoning request filed by Mike Gavin, 2902 Wildrose Lane,
258 Onalaska, WI 54650 on behalf of Jeannette Moe, W8206 Main Street, Holmen, WI
259 54636 Single Family and/or Duplex Residential (R-2) to Transitional Commercial (TC)
260 for the purpose of constructing an office at 1605-1613 Main Street (Tax Parcels #18-728-
261 2 & 18-728-0)

262 RR. Approval of a substantial modification to the WAL-MART Planned Commercial
263 Industrial District (PCID) at 3107 Market Place, submitted by Sarah Smith of Harrison
264 French & Associates, 1705 S. Walton Boulevard, Suite 3, Bentonville, AR 72712 (Tax
265 Parcel #18-3635-8) for the purpose of allowing increased façade signage

266 SS. Approval of a Certified Survey Map (CSM) submitted by Calvin King, 1010 Green
267 Coulee Road, Onalaska, for a 2-lot land division (.61 acres) at 1010 Green Coulee Road,
268 Onalaska (Tax Parcel #18-5217-0)

269 TT. Approval of a substantial modification to the Greens Coulee Community Park Planned
270 Unit Development (PUD) to allow grazing in Zone 2 (adjacent to Clearwater Farms),
271 submitted by Shari Collas on behalf of Clearwater Farm Foundation, Inc., 760 Green
272 Coulee Road, Onalaska, WI 54650 (Tax Parcel #18-675-131)

273 UU. Approval of a Certified Survey Map (CSM) submitted by Jason Cance, SEH, Inc.,
274 10 N. Bridge Street, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729, on behalf of the City of Onalaska and
275 the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) to combine seven (7) parcels
276 into two (2) parcels at the intersection of Main Street and State Road 35, Onalaska (Tax
277 Parcels #18-2-2, 18-6-0, 18-15-0, 18-16-0, 18-18-0, 18-19-0, and 18-20-1)
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279 **UTILITIES COMMITTEE/MASS TRANSIT**

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281 VV. Approval of Shared Ride financials for 2016
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283 **PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD**

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285 WW. Approve new Van Riper Park Playground to Miller & Associates proposal 30-
286 91720-2 in a cost not to exceed \$75,000

287 XX. Approve new playground equipment at Oak Park #4 to Miller & Associates
288 proposal 30-91768-1 in a cost not to exceed \$10,000

289 YY. Approve Oak Park Pickleball reconstruction to Upper Midwest Athletic
290 Construction in a cost not to exceed \$24,870

291 ZZ. Approve revised Grazing Land Lease with Clearwater Farms
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293 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the Consent Agenda.
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295 On voice vote, motion carried.

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297 **Non-Consent Agenda**

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299 **Item 6 – RECAP ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

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- 301 • Item T: Judiciary Committee – Approval of **Ordinance No. 1556-2016** – to amend Title
302 7 Chapter 5 Section 9 of the City of Onalaska Code of Ordinances related to Failure to
303 File a Room Tax Return (First and Second Reading)

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305 **Item 7 – FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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307 A. Vouchers

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309 Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve the vouchers expended since the last
310 Common Council meeting on March 8, 2016, in the amount of \$2,934,771.29.

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312 On voice vote, motion carried.

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314 B. Consideration and possible action regarding a 2016 General Obligation refunding bonds
315 and timeline

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317 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve 2016 General Obligation refunding
318 bonds and timeline.

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320 Ald. Binash asked if a refund means that the city is seeking a lower interest rate, and he also
321 asked for a definition of callable. To be specific, Ald. Binash asked if this means that the city
322 may call in a bond sooner, or if it means this is when the city makes its final payment. Ald.
323 Binash also asked for a definition of advanced funding.

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325 Fred noted that the city is calling in three bond issues, all of which were detailed in the packet for
326 the April 6 Finance and Personnel Committee meeting. Fred noted that the callable portion was
327 in the asterisked portions of this document. These are the callable dates. Fred cited the example
328 of the January 5, 2007 bond issue and said 2019, 2020 and 2021 are callable. The April 2, 2007
329 bond issue's callable dates are 2020 through 2026. The April 2, 2008 bond issue's callable dates
330 are 2022 through 2027. Fred said the reason one is called slightly different than the other is
331 because there already was a prior refunding. Fred pointed out that the city will save
332 approximately \$327,537 (8.324 percent) by calling in these bonds.

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334 On voice vote, motion carried.

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336 **Item 8 – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

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A. Review and consideration of Police Policy Animal Control Policy/Procedure

Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Police Policy Animal Control Policy/Procedure.

Cari said she believes this item had been approved, with some modifications, at the April 6 Administrative and Judiciary Committee meeting. Cari said she believes the policy still was being reviewed and that she was unsure if the Council wanted approval to be contingent upon any final changes.

Sean said he believes the version included in Council members' packets is the final version.

Fred noted there had been a brief discussion as to whether La Crosse County Vector Control Manager David Geske would make further modifications to the policy.

Sean said he does not anticipate Dave Geske making any modifications to the policy.

On voice vote, motion carried.

B. Review and consideration of changes to the Travel and Meal Reimbursement Policy 1.12

Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve changes to the Travel and Meal Reimbursement Policy 1.12.

Fred asked Sean if this is Policy 1.12 or 1.12a.

Sean said he will defer to either Cari or Hope.

Ald. Bialecki referred to the memo the Council members had received and noted it states it is Policy 1.12.

Hope said the Travel and Reimbursement Policy is 1.12 and stated, "This is just adding that part-time piece to that policy."

On voice vote, motion carried.

C. Approval of the following job descriptions:

1. Professional Standards Sergeant job description

Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Professional Standards Sergeant job description.

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380 On voice vote, motion carried.

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382 D. Review and consideration of extension recruitment deadline date for the City
383 Administrator

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385 Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Olson, to approve extension recruitment deadline date for
386 the City Administrator.

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388 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Muth, to amend the previous motion to state that the
389 extension deadline goes through June 30, 2016.

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391 Vote on the amendment:

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393 On voice vote, motion carried.

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395 Original motion restated:

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397 To approve the extension recruitment deadline date for the City Administrator through June 30,
398 2016.

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400 Ald. Muth said, "I think this is such an important job and such an important step, and whoever he
401 or she is, I really want us to look at getting the right person for this job. I think this extension is
402 really important to do. It's not that we're delaying anything; it's just we're being really careful
403 who we're going to get into that position because it's tremendously important for the city."

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405 Ald. Bialecki said, "I think anyone who might be interviewed for this position, to me, needs to fit
406 to a 'T' the job description and the essential requirements we had in there."

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408 On voice vote, motion carried.

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410 **Item 9 – JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

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412 A. **Ordinance No. 1546-2016** – to amend Chapter 4 of Title 2, Section 7 of the Code of
413 Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating to the Tourism Commission (First and
414 Second Reading)

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416 Motion by Ald. Blomquist, second by Ald. Bertrand, to approve Ordinance No. 1546-2016 – to
417 amend Chapter 4 of Title 2, Section 7 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating
418 to the Tourism Commission (First and Second Reading).

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420 Cari noted that the Judiciary Committee had suspended the rules at its April 6 meeting and given
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421 Ordinance No. 1546-2016 its First, Second, Third and Final Reading.

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423 Motion and second withdrawn.

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425 Motion by Ald. Blomquist, second by Ald. Binash, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No.
426 1546-2016 its First, Second, Third and Final Reading.

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428 On voice vote, motion carried.

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430 Motion by Ald. Blomquist, second by Ald. Binash, to approve Ordinance No. 1546-2016 – to
431 amend Chapter 4 of Title 2, Section 7 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Onalaska relating
432 to the Tourism Commission (First, Second, Third and Final Reading).

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434 On voice vote, motion carried.

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436 **The following item was pulled from the Consent Agenda, to be addressed at this time in the**
437 **Non-Consent Agenda.**

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439 B. Ordinance No. 1556-2016 – to amend Title 7 Chapter 5 Section 9 of the City of Onalaska
440 Code of Ordinances related to Failure to File a Room Tax Return (First and Second
441 Reading)

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443 Motion by Ald. Blomquist, second by Ald. Bialecki, to suspend the rules and give Ordinance No.
444 1556-2016 its First, Second, Third and Final Reading.

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446 On voice vote, motion carried.

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448 Motion by Ald. Blomquist, second by Ald. Olson, to approve Ordinance No. 1556-2016 – to
449 amend Title 7 Chapter 5 Section 9 of the City of Onalaska Code of Ordinances related to Failure
450 to File a Room Tax (First, Second, Third and Final Reading).

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452 On voice vote, motion carried.

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454 **Item 10 – ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

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456 A. Approval of Animal Control Policies (See Personnel Item 8A)

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458 This item was approved under Personnel Item 8A.

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460 B. Approval of a Class “B” Picnic License for Rotary Wine Mixer on May 14, 2016 at
461 Clearwater Farms

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463 Motion by Ald. Bertrand, second by Ald. Binash, to approve Class “B” Picnic License for Rotary
464 Wine Mixer on May 14, 2016 at Clearwater Farms.

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466 On voice vote, motion carried.

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468 **Item 11 – BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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470 A. Review and consideration of awarding bid for 2016 Great River Landing Project Phase I
471 to Wieser Brothers General Contractors in the amount of \$2,122,178.26

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473 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve awarding bid for 2016 Great River
474 Landing Project Phase I to Wieser Brothers General Contractors in the amount of \$2,122,178.26.

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476 On voice vote, motion carried.

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478 **Item 12 – PLAN COMMISSION**

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480 A. Approval of a rezoning request filed by Wieser Brothers G.C., Inc., 200 Twilite Street, La
481 Crescent, MN 55947 on behalf of Oak Forest Dental, 1062 Oak Forest Drive, Onalaska,
482 WI 54650 from Single Family and/or Duplex Residential (R-2) to Neighborhood
483 Business (B-1) for the purpose of constructing a dental office at 1217 Quincy Street,
484 Onalaska, WI 54650 (Tax Parcel #18-675-4)

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486 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Binash, to refer back to the Plan Commission approval
487 of a rezoning request filed by Wieser Brothers G.C., Inc., 200 Twilite Street, La Crescent, MN
488 55947 on behalf of Oak Forest Dental, 1062 Oak Forest Drive, Onalaska, WI 54650 from Single
489 Family and/or Duplex Residential (R-2) to Neighborhood Business (B-1) for the purpose of
490 constructing a dental office at 1217 Quincy Street, Onalaska, WI 54650.

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492 Ald. Bialecki noted that a Conditional Use Permit must be obtained before the rezoning request
493 may be fully approved by the Common Council.

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495 On voice vote, motion carried.

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497 B. Denial of a substantial modification to the WAL-MART Planned Commercial Industrial
498 District (PCID) at 3107 Market Place, submitted by Sarah Smith of Harrison French &
499 Associates, 1705 S. Walton Boulevard, Suite 3, Bentonville, AR 72712, on behalf of
500 Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., 2001 Southeast 10th Street, Bentonville, AR 72712 (Tax Parcel
501 #18-3635-8) for the purpose of modifying façade color

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503 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Muth, to approve the denial of a substantial
504 modification to the WAL-MART Planned Commercial Industrial District (PCID) at 3107 Market
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505 Place, submitted by Sarah Smith of Harrison French & Associates, 1705 S. Walton Boulevard,
506 Suite 3, Bentonville, AR 72712, on behalf of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., 2001 Southeast 10th Street,
507 Bentonville, AR 72712 (Tax Parcel #18-3635-8) for the purpose of modifying façade color.

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509 On voice vote, motion carried.

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511 C. Discussion and update regarding the Onalaska Payment in Lieu of Taxes Policy as
512 adopted by the Common Council on February 9, 2016

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514 Ald. Bialecki noted that this topic originally had been discussed without public comment at the
515 Finance and Personnel Committee level, and he also noted that the Common Council had
516 approved this item. Ald. Bialecki said the Plan Commission is going to reexamine the policy for
517 potential changes, adding that a public hearing could be held for the affected parties.

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519 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Binash, to refer back to the Plan Commission
520 discussion and update regarding the Onalaska Payment in Lieu of Taxes Policy as adopted by the
521 Common Council on February 9, 2016.

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523 On voice vote, motion carried.

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525 **Item 13 – REPORT FROM FINANCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR**

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527 A. **Resolution 26-2016** – to amend the 2016 General Operating Fund Budget

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529 Fred referred to the State of Wisconsin SL-203 Expenditure Restraint Cap Worksheet and said
530 that when the budget was approved his percentage was 1.298 percent. Fred noted that he had
531 filed the report electronically instead of manually and said 1.298 percent versus 1.295 percent is
532 a difference of increasing it to 1.3 percent. Fred pointed out that 1.3 percent is not less than 1.3
533 percent and said he must reduce the General Fund Operating by \$426.

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535 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Blomquist, to approve Resolution 26-2016 – to amend
536 the 2016 General Operating Fund Budget.

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538 On roll call vote: Ald. Jim Olson – aye, Ald. Jim Binash – aye, Ald. Harvey Bertrand – aye, Ald.
539 Bob Muth – aye, Ald. Jim Bialecki – aye, Ald. Barry Blomquist – aye. Motion carried.

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541 **Item 14 – REPORT FROM ALDERPERSONS**

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543 A. Update on Tourism Commission and La Crosse County Convention and Visitors Bureau
544 – Ald. Binash

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546 Ald. Binash said he believes the search has concluded for a LCCCVB Director and said the
Reviewed 4/13/16 by Cari Burmaster

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547 LCCCVB will be meeting later in April to approve a director. Ald. Binash addressed room tax
548 allocation, noting that it will be taken from the area hotels and “go for several different entities,”
549 including the Omni Center and the Community Development Authority. Ald. Binash said, “This
550 will be the last year for that since the [Wisconsin State] Legislature changed the laws. We will
551 no longer be funding the CDA after 2016.” Ald. Binash noted that the LCCCVB will receive 3.3
552 percent of the sales tax, and this will assist in funding the resources the LCCCVB will utilize.
553 Ald. Binash said the General Fund and the Special Projects Fund also will be funded through the
554 room tax sales. What remains will be for the Room Tax Commission, and from this commission
555 will be paid the bonding that is being utilized for the Great River Landing. Ald. Binash said no
556 decision has been reached regarding a building site for the LCCCVB. Ald. Binash also noted
557 that the “Explore La Crosse” website is now operational and said a website to the City of
558 Onalaska Parks and Recreation Department may be accessed via the park site. Individuals who
559 plan to hold events in the City of Onalaska may obtain a sponsorship through the LCCCVB, or
560 they may petition the website to have their event placed on the calendar.

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562 Ald. Bialecki said he hopes there will be a discussion regarding the direction of the lower level
563 of the Great River Landing. Ald. Bialecki also said he hopes that Mayor Chilsen, the future City
564 Administrator, City of La Crosse Mayor Tim Kabat and the respective planners from the City of
565 Onalaska and the City of La Crosse consider examining the corridor “from the riverfront all the
566 way up.”

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568 Mayor Chilsen said he would be happy to do so. Mayor Chilsen also noted that there is a 3.3-
569 percent payment for 2016-17, and he added that the payment decreases to 2.8 percent in
570 subsequent years.

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572 **Item 15 – CLOSED SESSION**

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574 To consider a motion to convene in Closed Session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin
575 Statutes for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the
576 investing of public funds or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or
577 bargaining reasons require a closed session:

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 - IAFF, International Association of Firefighters, Local 4169
 - Consultant for New Zoning District

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582 And under Section 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of considering
583 employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee
584 over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility:

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 - Municipal Court Supervisor job description

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588 And under Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of conferring with legal
589 counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to
590 be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved:

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592 • Claim arising from irrigation system damage at 1564 West Young Drive

593 • Vehicle Damage at 902 8th Avenue North

594 • Menards property tax assessment challenges

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596 If any action is required in Open Session, as the result of the Closed Session, the Committee will
597 reconvene in Open Session to take the necessary action and/or continue on with the printed
598 agenda.

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600 Motion by Ald. Olson, second by Ald. Blomquist, to convene in Closed Session.

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602 On roll call vote: Ald. Harvey Bertrand – aye, Ald. Barry Blomquist – aye, Ald. Jim Bialecki –
603 aye, Ald. Jim Olson – aye, Ald. Jim Binash – aye, Ald. Bob Muth – aye. In Closed Session.

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605 Motion by Alderperson Jim Bialecki, second by Alderperson Jim Olson to award SEH the
606 contract for the Medical Zoning District not to exceed \$14,500. On voice vote, motion carried.

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608 Motion by Alderperson Jim Bialecki, second by Alderperson Harvey Bertrand to approve the job
609 description for Municipal Court Clerk. On voice vote, motion carried.

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611 Motion by Alderperson Jim Olson, second by Alderperson Jim Bialecki to adjourn at 8:10pm.

612 On voice vote, motion carried.

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615 Recorded by:

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617 Kirk Bey