

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
September 23, 2025

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Barbara Daus at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Present: Barbara Daus, Kathy Kopp, Lynne Parrott, Tony McFall, Steven Badger, and Bob Gates
Excused: Ken Kilian

PRESENTATION

City Clerk Colette Steffen administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Alderperson At-Large Steven Badger. Council President Barbara Daus appointed Alderperson Badger to the Community Safe Routes Committee, Museum Board, and Water and Sewer Commission, which Badger will serve as a Council representative.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Kopp, second by Parrott to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes – 9/4/25, 9/9/25 Special, and 9/9/25 Regular; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$831,035.75; Appointments to Boards and Commissions: none; One-Year Operator Licenses - Treyten J Bowman, Carter C Lancaster, Samantha R Rake, and Hayley A Wuebben; Two-Year Operator Licenses - Chloe M Bestler, Cyerra M Billick, Lucas J Carlson, Baylee S Gooch, Kevin F Klein, Michaela K Marsden, Sophie R Morales, Kaci J Riechers, Cole A Taylor, Jessica L Whitaker, and Emily C Wille; Street Closing for Main Street from Chestnut Street to Water Street and Bonson Street from Main Street to Irving Place on Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 10:45 A.M. to 1:15 P.M. for Sweet Treats on Main by the Main Street Program; Resolution 25-12 Proclaiming October as United Nations Month. Motion carried 5-1 on a roll call vote, with Badger voting against.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Council President Daus reminded residents of the two parades that are coming up. The High School Homecoming Parade will take place on Friday, September 26, at 2:00 P.M., and the UW-Platteville Homecoming Parade on Saturday, October 4, at 10:00 A.M., followed by the lighting of the "M".

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Community Safe Routes Committee, Airport Commission, Water & Sewer Commission, and Parks, Forestry, & Recreation Committee

ACTION

- A. *Resolution 25-13 Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$8,240,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2025A* – Ehlers Municipal Advisor Kayla Thorpe provided information on the sale of the Series 2025A General Obligation Promissory Notes and the proposed debt issuance schedule. Motion by Gates, second by McFall, to adopt Resolution 25-13 Providing for the Sale of Approximately \$8,240,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes, Series 2025A. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Revisions to Chapter 11 – Garbage and Refuse Collection and Disposal*– Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot relayed that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

has developed new rules regarding recycling. One of the rules states that Municipalities must amend their Ordinances to comply with the new rules by April 30, 2026. Staff used the Sample Ordinance provided by DNR as the basis of the new Chapter 11, Recycling, Garbage & Refuse Collection and Disposal. Most of the modifications define requirements for commercial properties and outline penalties for violations. The previous State guidance was that commercial properties and multi-family properties have “adequate” recycling containers. The new rules define what “adequate” means in 11.17 and 11.18. It will assist the Code Enforcement Inspector with better definitions to encourage more recycling in multi-family and commercial properties. Ed Faherty from Faherty Inc. stated that the majority of commercial property owners are already compliant with the new standard.

- B. Contract 20-25 Solid Waste and Recycling Contract 2026-2030* - Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot explained that the City has a five-year contract with Faherty, Inc. for the collection and disposal of solid waste and recycling from one and two-family residential properties and City properties that expires on December 31, 2025. The current contract calls for collection from one and two-family residential properties, from trash cans on Main Street and Second Street weekly, and from all City facilities except the Broske Center and Museums. The cost of collection and disposal from trash cans and from City properties is included in the residential cost. The cost of Spring and Fall Clean Up is included in the residential cost. The cost is broken into separate costs for solid waste (garbage) and recycling. The cost is per household per month. Faherty, Inc. is a local company that provides excellent service. Since this is not a public works construction contract, staff are not required to put it out for bids and award it to the low bidder. It is a service contract, and the City should choose the service that provides the best overall value to the City. Staff believes that to be with Faherty, Inc. Due to State legislation, it has not been to our advantage to increase that fee since its implementation. In 2025, it covers roughly half the cost. The other half is paid by General Fund taxes. Staff use the figures from tax collections to determine the number of one and two-family residences in the City. It was Staff oversight five years ago that did not include the Museums in the overall City property collection. It was not included in the August 28, 2025, proposal. If added to the current contract proposal by Faherty, Inc., it would add \$0.03 to the solid waste cost per household per month. Staff recommend including it for the upcoming contract. Staff does not recommend including the Broske Center because the cost of collection is paid by the Broske Center fund, which receives revenue from those who rent the facility. The current contract allows an escalator clause annually for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase in July each year. This allows the amount to be included in annual budget requests. The CPI adjustment is limited to 3%, but Faherty, Inc. reserves the right to appear before the Common Council to request an additional increase for unforeseen conditions. Ed Faherty from Faherty Inc. answered questions and stated that the company has held the City contract since 1971.
- C. Authorizing a Pool Construction Contract* – City Manager Clinton Langreck and Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Director Bob Lowe presented that the City of Platteville has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for construction services in preparation for the Platteville Aquatic Center. This construction project will focus on the repouring of the pool vessel and decking, necessary mechanical systems, and renovations to the bathhouse as detailed within the plan documents. The bid packages are presented in three different packages, including construction

of the pool vessel, construction of the pool mechanicals, and general construction of the other improvements presented in the plans. Each package includes several alternate options that include water features and other added-value items. Details for submission can be found on the City of Platteville website. The construction site is located at the Platteville Family Aquatic Center, 1155 N. 4th St., Platteville, WI 53818. This package will be subcontracted through the Construction Manager as the Constructor, Epic Construction. Bids will be opened on Wednesday, October 1, 2025, at 10:00 A.M., and staff anticipate bringing forward a recommendation for awarding the bid at the October 14, 2025, Common Council meeting. Staff will provide the bid tabulation sheet and proposed agreement costs at the October 14, 2025, meeting. Alderperson Kopp asked that a completion timeline be provided with the bid tabulation at the next meeting.

- D. *Amending the 2026 Budget Schedule* – City Manager Clinton Langreck asked the Common Council for an amendment to the 2026 Budget Schedule. The 2026 City Manager Operational Budget Review Session, tentatively scheduled for October 21, is intended as the line review of the department budgets. Moving the meeting to an alternate date may be beneficial to the Council and the City Manager in ensuring that necessary Staff are available to respond to detailed questions and provide guidance. The Common Council members selected Wednesday, October 15, at 6 P.M. as the date for this meeting, which will be held in the Police Department Training Room.
- E. *Awarding a Contract for Building Inspector Services* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll said that the City's Building Inspector, Ric Riniker, submitted his letter of resignation with an anticipated last day of work on December 1, 2025. In response, the City requested proposals from inspection firms to provide contracted building inspection services. The contracted Inspector will provide building inspection services to enforce the Wisconsin Uniform Dwelling Code and the Commercial Building Code, including construction, electrical, HVAC, plumbing, and other associated codes adopted by the State of Wisconsin or the City for all one and two-unit dwellings, multi-family and commercial buildings. The proposals were due on September 15. Proposals were received from three firms to provide the inspection services: Total Inspection Services, based in Blanchardville, Wisconsin; MSA Professional Services, based in Baraboo, Wisconsin; and General Engineering Company, based in Portage, Wisconsin. In each case, the firms will have a primary inspector or contact person who will provide most of the inspections and be the main point of contact with the public and City Staff. They also each have additional inspectors who provide specialized or back-up inspection services as needed. All the firms have phone numbers and email addresses where contractors and the public will be able to contact them. Some office hours in City Hall are anticipated, but most of the contact will be directly with the inspector. The City will continue to collect the permit fee payments and provide some other administrative support, but the inspector will provide all the other services. Total Inspection Services and General Engineering Company both propose a compensation rate that is based on 90% of the building permit fees that are collected, with some minor additional services being paid at an hourly rate. MSA Professional Services is compensated completely on an hourly rate for actual services performed. It is anticipated that the cost of the inspection services will come from the building permit fees.

Regardless of the firm selected, changes to the permit fee schedule will be required. The actual changes will depend on the firm selected.

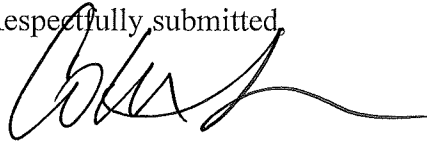
WORK SESSION

Common Council Review of 5-Year Capital Budget Document - City Manager Clinton Langreck presented a summary of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) process and provided a recommendation for funding 2026 CIP projects and planning for 2026-2030 projects. The primary focus was on the 2026 projects, which will help shape the 2026 budget. The secondary focus was on the 2027-2030 projections, which will help shape financial forecasting but are more susceptible to changes. City Manager Clinton Langreck shared each department's requests for the 2026 CIP and his recommendations. Staff responded to questions from the alderpersons. President Daus inquired about the expected creation of a TIF and that a timeline and budget page be provided. The Non-State grant was explained, and the alderpersons came to a consensus that a grant request should be submitted for the building of a heated garage for the Parks Department.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gates, second by Parrott to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0 on a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colette Steffen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Colette Steffen, City Clerk