



City of Waukesha

Waukesha City Hall,
201 Delafield Street
Waukesha, WI 53188

Meeting Minutes - Final

Finance Committee

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall

1. Call To Order

Also Present: Ald. Van Trieste

Present: 5 - Joe Pieper, Elizabeth Moltzan, Rick R. Lemke, Alicia Halvensleben and Doreen Wigderson

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Minutes

A. [ID#25-02427](#) Minutes for October 16, 2025

Attachments: [101625 Finance Minutes - Draft](#)

Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved

5. Business Items

A. [ID#25-02430](#) Review and Possible Action on the acceptance of the 2025 FY25 Community Policing Development Microgrant for \$139,600

Attachments: [Cover Sheet and Attachments - Community Policing Development Microgrant](#)

A motion was made by Lemke and seconded by Halvensleben that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Joe Pieper, Elizabeth Moltzan, Rick R. Lemke, Alicia Halvensleben and Doreen Wigderson

- B. [ID#25-02429](#) Review and Possible Action on Finance Committee recommendation to the City Council to adopt the 2026 Operating Budget

Attachments: [Executive Operating Budget Book - Final](#)

A motion was made by Lemke and seconded by Pieper to amend the Operating Budget to reduce proposed employee wage increase from 3.5% to 3.0%. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Joe Pieper, and Rick R. Lemke

Nay: 3 - Elizabeth Moltzan, Alicia Halvensleben, and Doreen Wigderson

A motion was made by Pieper and seconded by Halvensleben, to recommend to the City Council to adopt the 2026 Operating Budget as presented with a total General Fund operating budget of \$84,127,448.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Joe Pieper, Elizabeth Moltzan, Rick R. Lemke, Alicia Halvensleben and Doreen Wigderson

6. Communications and Referrals:

The next Finance Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 11th at 6:00pm

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm

The Finance Committee may consider any departments, funds, or line items related to the 2026 Operating or Capital Budgets not specifically identified on the meeting agenda as a part of the Budget Review process

"A majority of the Council members may be in attendance"

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