

CITY OF STEVENS POINT

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

August 11, 2025 - 6:56 PM

**Community Room
933 Michigan Avenue, Stevens Point, WI**

OR

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MINUTES

Non-Action Items:

1. Roll Call.

PRESENT Ald. Christianson, Morrow, Shuda, Keymer

EXCUSED Ald. Broderick

ABSENT Ald. .

OTHERS PRESENT C/T Ladick, Mayor Wiza, Attorney Beverage, Clerk Pagel, Directors Kivela, Kremer and Beduhn, Fire Chief Moody, Police Chief Kussow, Deputy C/T Peterson, Planner Klesmith, Alderpersons Kneebone, Lang, Birr, Buse and Guthrie, Justin Marquis, Andrea Olson, Brian Cummins and Alex Macomber

2. Update on the 2026 Budget.

C/T Ladick reported that net new construction is 1.13% for the 2026 budget and cost of living adjustments are at 2.64%. It is expected that the general transportation aid will go up for 2026 but it's unknown how much at this time. The fire department referendum is expected to have a significant amount of money left over which C-T Ladick explained would have to be segregated and restricted. He suggested it could be used for next year, which would reduce the need for the referendum levy. Reducing the referendum levy could be offset by increasing the debt service levy to maintain a steady tax rate.

3. Follow-up discussion on the idea of creating a Joint Fire Department with the Village of Park Ridge.

C/T Ladick reported that he and Chief Moody attended a Village of Park Ridge meeting to discuss the possibility of a Joint Fire Department. No action was taken at that meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action on:

4. Consideration of Claim-Danielle Morey-Vehicle Struck by Ball.

This item is postponed to the next meeting.

5. Consideration of Claim-Melissa Clendenning-Trip and Fall in City-owned parking lot.

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to deny the claim for Melissa Clendenning as recommended by the insurance company.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

6. Presentation by Somerville Inc. on the preliminary planning, timelines, cost estimates, and design progress for a potential new City Hall, with 1039 Ellis Street currently under consideration as a possible site.

Justin Marquis from Somerville Inc was present to review the City Hall project.

Renovation of the Ellis Street building would be approximately \$265-\$300 per square foot and take about 20 months to complete. New construction would be approximately \$300-325 per square foot and take about 24 months to complete. Other considerations include the cost of the white box renovation of the third floor, cost of demolition and limited interior conditions such as low ceilings and window locations.

Christianson explained his position in regards to capital costs and ongoing costs and an overall look at the City's properties and buildings to make sure that this construction will serve the City best. Morrow felt that this new construction could showcase the City for decades.

7. Discussion on preliminary planning, timelines, cost estimates, and design progress for a potential new City Hall, with 1039 Ellis Street currently under consideration as a possible site, and action on building a new facility or renovating the current building.

Ald. Shuda moved to recommend new construction. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to advance this item to council without a recommendation.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

8. Approval of proposal for Design and Architecture Services for City Hall – Somerville Inc. Architects and Engineers

Ald. Shuda moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to advance to council without recommendation.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

9. Approval of proposal for Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Services for City Hall – Stantec Consulting Services Inc.

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Morrow seconded, to approve the proposal for the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Services for the City Hall by Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

10. Approval of request to obtain design services for subdivision infrastructure in Tax Incremental Financing District (TID) 11.

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the design services for subdivision infrastructure in TID 11. This project would be worked in conjunction with the Door2Dreams development.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

11. Request from the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Stevens Point to adopt a Blight Determination Resolution and transfer ownership of the Shopko Properties (Parcels 281240832202950, 281240832202969, 281240832202972, 281240832202804, and 281240832202814) to the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Stevens Point

Planner Klesmith was present to explain the proposed grants to be sought for the Shopko parcels. No action was necessary at this time.

12. Approval of Claims Paid.

Ald. Shuda moved, Ald. Keymer seconded, to approve the claims paid.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

13. Adjourn into closed session (approximately 7:40 P.M.) pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(e) (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) on the following:

A. Negotiating an amendment to a development agreement in Tax Incremental Financing District (TID) 10.

Ald. Morrow **moved**, Ald. Keymer seconded, to move to closed session per WI Statute 19.85(1)(e) to negotiate an amendment to a development agreement in Tax Incremental District 10. Roll Call vote: ayes: Morrow, Shuda, Keymer, Christianson; nays, none; motion carried.

14. Reconvene for Possible Action on the above-referenced closed session items.

Ald. Morrow moved, Ald. Shuda seconded, to move to open session. Roll call vote: ayes: Shuda, Keymer, Christianson and Morrow; nays, none; motion carried. Meeting moved to open session at approximately 8:42 pm.

Ald. Keymer moved, Ald. Shuda seconded, to go with option #4 as presented in closed

session.

Call for the vote: ayes, all; nays, none; motion carried.

Closing Section:

15. Adjournment

Adjourned at 8:43 pm.