Madison City Council Minutes March 3, 2025

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Hamm at 6:00 p.m.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Follow by request for roll call. Present were Alderperson Browley, Dixon, Crochrell, Garrett, Morris and Miller Absent: Crawford and Johnson

It was moved by Alderperson Crochrell, seconded by Alderperson Browley, to carry over the motion to approve the minutes of the regular Committee meeting held on February 18, 2025. Voice vote as follows: Six (6) ayes; no nays Absent: Crawford and Johnson Motion Carried

It was moved by Alderperson Morris, seconded by Alderperson Miller, to approve the presentation of the Comptroller's Report as submitted and that bills be allowed as drawn on the treasury and presented to the Council, unless there are any questions of the Summary of Expenses for the period of February 19, 2025, through March 3, 2025, in the amount of \$295,560.15. The Comptroller's Report was accepted as presented to be placed on file. Roll call as follows: Browley, Dixon, Crochrell, Garrett, Morris and Miller Absent: Crawford and Johnson Motion carried

## Department Officers:

The Director of Public Works reported that they cut additional trees down throughout Madison. Alderperson Miller stated he was happy with the work the Street department has been doing with cutting the trees down in his Ward. Alderperson Crochrell asked how many trees were left. Tyrone responded that they had under 100 trees left.

Chief of Police provided a report. Alderperson Crochrell stated he had a call of rapid gun fire in Ward 3 near the high school area. Chief advised no one called about the rapid gun fire. Chief stated when he was informed of the issue, they did check the cameras and they didn't see any vehicles in the area. Alderperson Crochrell wanted to know if we added more cameras will it be beneficial. Chief of Police does not feel adding more cameras is the solution. Alderperson Crochrell disagrees. It was additional discussion about cameras throughout the city. Mayor advise they should have a committee meeting to discuss further.

It was moved by Alderperson Crochrell seconded by Alderperson Miller to accept the reports of Department Officers Voice vote as follows: Six (6) ayes; no nays Absent: Crawford and Johnson Motion Carried

The City Engineer talked about the trash truck and provided options to lease a trash truck for 4 or 5 years.

Alderperson Crochrell would like to spend the money to fix the trash truck instead of getting a new one.

Alderperson Miller would like to spend the money elsewhere than the trash truck.

Alderperson Morris advised she is conservative and would rather spend the \$45,000 to \$55,000 now, then wait 4 to 5 years and see where we are at that time with the trash truck.

Alderperson Browley stated it doesn't look like the city is hurting for any money because the comptroller report reflects the city of Madison is spending a lot of money bi-weekly.

Alderperson Garrett stated it appears it is either spend now or pay later. He asked about the warranty. Tyrone said the warranty is about 3 years.

Alderperson Dixon doesn't think we need to spend money on a trash truck right now.

Alderperson Crochrell asked if the TIF has expired.

Mayor asked if he could get a motion to buy the trash truck. No motion was made.

The attorney asked if the trash truck maintains its value and the life of a trash truck. It was stated the trash truck has a life of around 11 years. We are currently at 8 years now for the trash truck. The attorney asked how long it takes to complete the trash routes. Tyrone advise it takes about 2 days. If one is down, it will take more days. The Arm Truck is in the shop now.

Alderperson Crochrell asked to make a motion to go into executive session for employment and compensation.

It was moved by Alderperson Crochrell seconded by Alderperson Miller to place on the next agenda (March 17, 2025) to go into executive session to talk about employment and compensation. Roll call as follows: Browley, Dixon, Crochrell, Garrett, Morris and Miller Absent: Crawford and Johnson Motion carried

There being no further business before the council meeting was adjourned at 6:36p.m. by Alderperson Garrett seconded by Alderperson Browley Voice vote as follows: Six (6) ayes; no nays Absent: Crawford and Johnson Motion Carried

The next Council meeting will be held on April 7, 2025.

City Clerk: Mayor:

Date: