



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved FINANCE COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Monday, September 8, 2025

4:30 PM

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### Regular Meeting + Budget Hearing

#### Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:36pm. Council President Vidaver joined late after Roll Call.

**Present:** 7 - Regina M. Vidaver; Tag Evers; Sabrina V. Madison; MGR Govindarajan; Yannette Figueroa Cole; Michael E. Verveer and Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

#### Consent Agenda

Agenda items 4-9 and 12 were adopted as part of the consent agenda. A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

#### Public Comment

1. [89803](#) PUBLIC COMMENT

There were registrants on the following items: #7: 1 registrant available to answer questions, not wishing to speak. #10: 1 registrant not wishing to speak. #11: 4 registrants wishing to speak, 8 registrants available to answer questions, not wishing to speak, and 85 registrants not wishing to speak. 95 registrants were in support, and 2 registrants opposed. #14: 1 registrant not wishing to speak. The registration report is attached.

There was written comment on agenda items 7 and 11. Comments are attached.

#### Disclosures and Recusals

There were no disclosures or recusals.

#### Items to be Considered

#### Regular Finance Committee Agenda

2. [89711](#) Submitting the appointment of Lydia McComas for confirmation of a five-year term as City Clerk.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

3.     [89716](#)     Submitting the appointment of Jamie M. Acton for confirmation of a five-year term as Transit General Manager.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

4.     [89580](#)     Repealing and recreating Section 4.28 of the Madison General Ordinances related to TIF Applications to update TIF application fee and application process.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

5.     [89472](#)     Authorizing the Transit General Manager to file an application for a Section 5307, 5337 & 5339 Super Grant, public transit capital, capital maintenance, and capital planning grant with U.S. Department of Transportation and authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the associated grant agreement with USDOT and the associated 13 (c) agreement with Teamsters Local No. 120.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

6.     [89627](#)     Authorizing the execution of a Restated License Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, for premises at the Lake View Water Tower located at 1202 Northport Drive. (District 18)

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the WATER UTILITY BOARD. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

7.     [89698](#)     Authorizing the use of a Farmland Lease Master Template for those City-owned lands being rented for farming, the administrative approval of City staff to negotiate lease terms, and the execution of lease documents by the City's Director of the Department of Planning, Community and Economic Development, or assigns. (Citywide)

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the MADISON FOOD POLICY COUNCIL. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

8.     [89707](#)     Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute 2025 Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) contract amendments with Briarpatch Youth Services, OutReach, and the Center for Community Stewardship, allocating previously unallocated funds. (Citywide)

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice**

vote/other.

9. [89717](#) Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to amend the 2024-25 EHH contract with Briarpatch Youth Services to add \$12,600 of State EHH funds reallocated from an EHH contract with Legal Action of Wisconsin. (Citywide)

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

10. [89724](#) Authorizing the allocation of approximately \$3.5 million of combined City and Federal funds among seven non-profit agencies to support the provision of homeless services and housing resources beginning in 2026, the outcomes of a competitive RFP process conducted by the Community Development Division, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into agreements with agencies selected to receive funds to implement the specified programs and services. (Citywide)

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

11. [89779](#) Extending the contract between the City of Madison and MACH Onehealth, Inc. dba Madison Street Medicine to provide those services and extend currently allocated funding through April 2026, at an additional cost of \$0 dollars from the City of Madison, and authorizes the use of up to \$100,000 of additional funds from Dane County to pay for those services

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion failed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 1 - Michael E. Verveer

**Noes:** 5 - Regina M. Vidaver; Tag Evers; Sabrina V. Madison; MGR Govindarajan and Yannette Figueroa Cole

**Non Voting:** 1 - Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

12. [89734](#) Establishing rules and procedures for Common Council deliberations on the City of Madison's 2026 Capital and Operating Budgets.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO ADOPT - REPORT OF OFFICER. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

### Capital Budget Briefings

13. [89733](#) 2026 Executive Capital Budget

Finance Staff presented an overview of the executive capital budget. Department heads presented their agency budgets and answered questions from alders.

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Table until the meeting of September 9th at 4:30pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**Closed Session**

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Convene into Closed Session. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 - Tag Evers; Sabrina V. Madison; MGR Govindarajan; Yannette Figueroa Cole; Michael E. Verveer and Regina M. Vidaver

**Non Voting:** 1 - Satya V. Rhodes-Conway

14. [89804](#) Discussion regarding negotiations with Threshold Development for possible investment of Tax Increment Finance (TIF) funds into a mixed-use project proposed to be located at 3450 Milwaukee Street.
- Staff and alders discussed the project and instructed staff on the City's negotiating position.**

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Figueroa Cole, to reconvene into open session at 10:51pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

**Recess**

**A motion was made by Vidaver, seconded by Govindarajan, to Recess until Tuesday, September 9 at 4:30pm. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting was recessed at 10:54pm.**