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Office of the City Administrator

**PUBLIC WELFARE COMMITTEE**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 10, 2026 - 5:00 PM**  
**South Conference Room**

**Minutes**

**1) Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dale Mayr at 5:00 p.m.

**Present:** Chair Mayr, Alderman Bach, Alderman Parrish

**Also present:** Assistant City Administrator Jessica Wolff, City Attorney Brian Sajdak, Executive Assistant Beth Kong and interested public.

**2) Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- a) Meeting minutes of February 10, 2026

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion to approve the minutes.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Alderman Gregg Bach
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Alderman Brian Parrish
<b>AYES:</b>	Chair Dale Mayr, Alderman Gregg Bach, Alderman Brian Parrish
<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved by Voice Acclamation

**3) Discussion Items**

- a) Potential Revisions to Section 50-100 of the Municipal Code Related to Sex Offender Residency Restrictions and Child Safety Zones

City Attorney Sajdak led the discussion by explaining that it was time to review the City's ordinance as it relates to sex offender residency restrictions since he continues to see a number of cases related to standards in ordinances across other municipalities. It is important to review the effectiveness of current ordinances and consider any matters of constitutionality. He believes the City should continue to have residency restrictions as they provide a way to guide decisions and avoid some of the concerns that can arise.

The current model used to set the distance "away from where children may be present" was determined for the City of Mequon based on similar models used by other similar-sized municipalities. The City also has an ad hoc appeal board to provide due process for sex offenders who wish to appeal their case. City Attorney Sajdak believes the current process does provide an adequate means of review and appeal.

He then explained the term "ex post facto" as it relates to consideration of factors that were in place before and after Mequon's current Code was in place. He recommends adjusting the language in the code as it relates to "ex post facto." While the ad hoc review board would be able to consider ex post facto as part of its decision, the current guidelines do not explicitly outline that process.

Alderman Parrish asked about the process if the City wanted to increase the current restrictions to 3,000 feet. City Attorney Sajdak said that any changes to the guidelines would need to consider the potential impact to the current housing stock available so as not to conflict with the available guidelines. Chair Mayr asked about the possibility of adding wording to specify the distance a sex offender would need to be from a victim when within the City of Mequon.

The Committee was agreeable to four recommendations made by City Attorney Sajdak: to maintain the residency restriction, to analyze the percentage of housing available (and any changes if the restrictive distance was increased), to amend the ordinance to avoid ex post facto challenges, and to remove the original domicile clause within the ordinance. Next steps would be to analyze the changes with City staff and bring the ordinance back later this year for review and approval.

#### b) Review and Analysis of the 2025 Community Survey Results

Assistant City Administrator Wolff outlined the main themes that were identified in the open-ended comments provided in the 2025 Community Survey. Some of the top themes included areas that the City has already been working to address: bike path and pedestrian initiatives, traffic and speeding concerns, walkable areas and a downtown space (Mequon Commons), brush site improvements and online permitting and licensing software projects.

Since time fell short for discussion of this item, it will be brought forward again to a future Public Welfare Committee meeting in order to discuss the list of recommendations. Some topics that were raised included preparing a City Communications Plan (to go along with the existing Communications Policy) and exploring garbage and recycling services. One request was that services be restricted to a few days of the week so different provider's garbage trucks are not continuously driving through various neighborhoods.

#### 4) Informational Items

#### 5) Work Plan

A discussion of the 2026 Work Plan will be brought forward to the April meeting.

**6) Adjourn**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion to adjourn at 5:50 p.m.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Alderman Gregg Bach
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Chair Dale Mayr
<b>AYES:</b>	Chair Dale Mayr, Alderman Gregg Bach, Alderman Brian Parrish
<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved by Voice Acclamation

Respectfully Submitted,  
Beth Kong, Executive Assistant