



**Minutes
Budget & Public Employees Regular Committee
Wednesday, December 3, 2025
6:00 PM
Kennedy Room**

Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:13p.m.

II. Roll Call

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered their names: Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Browning, Ms. Velazquez, Chair Aldridge and President Green. **5 members were present. A quorum was established.**

III. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from Wednesday, November 19, 2025, committee meeting.

The Chair stated they would entertain a motion to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, November 19, 2025, committee meeting.

Ms. Sonnier moved to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, November 19, 2025, committee meeting.

Seconded by President Green.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to approve the Wednesday, November 19, 2025, committee meeting minutes.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye: Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Browning, Ms. Velazquez, Chair

Aldridge and President Green. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None

A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.

IV. Board Bills for Review

None

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

Chair Aldridge recognized Julian Nicks and Jim Hill, Office of the Mayor's Recovery Office, before the committee and members of the public.

Mr. Nicks and Mr. Hill gave a thorough PowerPoint presentation on the updates of the RAMS interest which outlined the overall funding and spending across recovery efforts, the status of the recovery office fund, action to date to improve the speed of procurement and funding priorities for the next month. They also gave a reminder of where they are in the recovery efforts.

After no further presentation, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Some members of the committee asked questions and made comments while others waited until after members of the public gave their testimony.

Hearing no further questions or comments from members of the committee, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public for public testimony.

Members of the public gave public testimony.

Rams Settlement Interest Monies

1. Linda Portland, 11th ward
2. State Representative, Kimberly Ann Collins 12th ward — online
3. Theresa Wilkins, 11th ward
4. Pat Miller, 10th ward — online
5. Armon Walker, 2nd ward
6. Bruce Hadley, 2nd ward

Hearing no further testimony from members of the public, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

Mr. Nicks and Mr. Hill answered questions and made comments.

After no further discussion, the Chair thanked Mr. Nicks, Mr. Hill and members of the public for attending the meeting.

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

Discussion Item Number 1

Rams Settlement Interest Monies

The committee will discuss use of Rams Settlement Funds and interest monies.

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

None

VIII. Announcements

Budget and Public Employee Committee Meetings:

Chair Aldridge has scheduled the regular committee meeting for Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Kennedy Room.

Additionally, please be aware of the 6:00pm meetings concerning the RAMS Settlement Interest Funds, also to be held in the Kennedy Room. The specific dates for these evening meetings will be held in the Kennedy Room at

6:00pm on Thursday, January 8, 2026, Wednesday, January 28, 2026, Wednesday, February 25, 2026, and Wednesday, March 25, 2026.

The Utility Assistance Fair:

Ms. Sonnier announced a Utility Assistance Fair to take place on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, from 10:00am until 3:00pm. The fair will be held at the Child and Family Empowerment Center, located at 4145 Kennerly Ave. St. Louis, MO 63113.

IX. Excused Members

Chair Aldridge excused Mr. Devoti for necessary absence.

X. Adjournment

Having no other business to discuss, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Sonnier moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Velazquez.

The vote was carried by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.