

City of Darien
Minutes of the Administrative/Finance Committee
May 4, 2026

Alderswoman Sullivan called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Committee member Leganski was present. Also in attendance were, City Administrator Vana and Treasurer Coren.

A motion to approve one electronics recycling event with the city's current refuse hauler, Lakeshore Recycling Systems, LLC (LRS) in an amount not to exceed \$9,750

Staff advised the City of Darien sponsored one electronic recycling event for Darien residents in FYE24 and FYE25. This event allowed residents to place their electronics curbside for pick up by LRS. The fee charged by LRS is based on the bill count. The cost per home is \$1.32. This event has been well received by the residents and was very convenient for them. The city opted to eliminate the recycling event in FYE26 since there had been a decline from FYE24 to FYE25 in the amount of items recycled. The FYE27 budget includes \$9,750 for this service. The committee unanimously recommended approval of the motion

A motion authorizing the purchase of 1 new Microsoft Server, CAL licensing, and installation in an amount not to exceed \$17,600 at Public Works.

Staff advised the public works existing server has reached end-of-life. As servers get older, they become less efficient, less responsive and potentially more vulnerable for security to be compromised. The new server will come with a more/faster processor, more/faster access memory as well as significantly more hard drive space. The server will be purchased through Dell. Dell offers better discounts and government promotions while providing quality, reliable products. The recommendation from our consultant is to upgrade to a Dell PowerEdge R200 Series server. This will also include Microsoft's newest server operating system, Server 2025. The replacement of public work's server is part of the roadmap for FYE27 and is in the budget. The committee unanimously recommended approval of the motion.

Minutes – April 6, 2026 - The committee unanimously approved the minutes.

Minutes – April 20, 2026 - Special – The committee unanimously approved the minutes.

Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Approved:

Mary Sullivan, Chairwoman _____

Ted Schauer, Member _____

Gerry Leganski, Member _____