

Minutes from the City Council Meeting on Tuesday May 16, 2023, at 7:15 pm in the Auditorium are as follows:

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Laflamme, Frank N., President	At-Large Councilor	Present
Roy, Gerard (Jerry) A.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Tillotson, James K.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Zygarowski, Robert J.	At-Large Councilor	Present
McAuliffe, Joel D.	Ward 1 Councilor	Present
Brooks, Shane D.	Ward 2 Councilor	Present via Zoom
Lopez, Delmarina	Ward 3 Councilor	Present
Balakier, George A.	Ward 4 Councilor	Present
Krampits, Fred T.	Ward 5 Councilor	Present
Dobosz, Derek Gregory	Ward 6 Councilor	Present/left @ 9:42
Courchesne, William C.	Ward 7 Councilor	Absent
Labrie, Gary R.	Ward 8 Councilor	Present
Pniak-Costello, Mary Elizabeth	Ward 9 Councilor	Present

Meeting was called to order immediately followed by a motion made by Councilor Lopez to recess the City Council meeting. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Tillotson out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to return to the City Council meeting at 7:30. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Tillotson out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent.

Public Input-Sergeant Blankenship, Chicopee Police Department, here about the traffic light at Chicopee and McKinstry. Worked with the police department since 2007, now in Willimansett with the C-3 unit. Years of service have seen many almost crashes. Always taking a chance, dangerous intersection, think a light with a no turn on red sign would decrease accidents. Would slow cars down and add to public safety. Lisa Bienvenue, 34 Everett Street, thrilled officer came to speak about safety. Applaud the CPD for enforcement lately. Car went down the breakdown lane on Memorial Drive, was pulled over. Having a policy of complete streets would open up federal funding. NDD.Org end distracted driving. Come to communities to end distracted driving. Have to be open to things that can improve here in Chicopee.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to return to the regular order of business following public input. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

Communications-None

Minutes --Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to accept the minutes of 5/2/23 Briefing and 5/2/23 Meeting and placed on file. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to take #27 and #44 out of order. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

27 A favorable Human Resources Committee report: Be it Ordered that the Human Resources Department provide monthly follow-up to the City Council regarding the progress of the previously discussed implementation of HRIS system and the status of current projects. These updates are to be provided at the Human Resources Committee meetings to be scheduled on a monthly basis.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and place on file. Councilor Labrie stated meeting was very informative. Paul gave his view of what the future should look like. Left on good terms, said he would help in any way he can. Councilor Dobosz stated want to thank Paul also. Gave a lot of information at once, still have a lot of questions unanswered. Munis software, possible demo of the software, we've been paying since 2014 for parts of software that we aren't using. Ask of the board to take a position, are we going to use these to their full potential? Justify to the taxpayers how this went unused for years. Councilor Pniak-Costello thanked Paul for modernizing and updating the department. Request the monthly updates are given. This is extremely important. Concern of the taxpayers. Public input as to how HR is modernizing the department. Councilor Lopez stated thank for the support on the order. Munis spending taxpayer dollars that aren't being utilized. Other potential uses/modules. Andrew Vernon is arranging for hands-on sessions. Some are specific to the council, don't think we should stop using them. Very understaffed. Thank Sam for being willing to take on the temporary role. Need to learn more of Munis, other modules. Parting email from Paul, didn't receive the support that was needed. Issue is what's going on internally. HR is under watch.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to allow Sam from HR to speak. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Tillotson out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent. Sam stated appreciate you having her here to speak. Massive period of transition. Support/empathy. Are in a crisis, under water. Look for CHRO. Will have the support of Rich Merchant. Reasons why this position continues to be vacated so quickly. Find and retain a HR head that wants to stay. Taxpayer funds are being used for modules that are not being utilized. Catching up at this point. Cutting edge/automated personnel files. Seems so fascinating. If we are not already using that. Already five years behind. In order to retain and utilize talent need to move forward. Modernize and move forward. Happy to educate anyone. Stuff we can use to move forward. So much more we can do to move forward. Work smarter, not harder. Will continue to move forward. Councilor Lopez stated stopped by the HR department and Carla was in the middle of billing. Takes a half day to process a handful of bills. Paying an employee to do the work slower, let the council know how they can support. Councilor Zygarowski stated have you consulted with the mayor on the program yet? Sam stated yes, have spoken to the mayor. Modules for HR technology, we do have and are available for use. Councilor Zygarowski stated how much would it cost to start using effectively? IT team working on this outside of their usual tasks. May need to bring in implementation team from Tyler. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

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Be it Ordered that the DPW and Engineering look into a four-way traffic light at the intersection of Chicopee Street and McKinstry Avenue.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to receive and sent to DPW and Engineer for review and implementation with a no turn on red sign. Councilor Lopez stated this intersection-appreciate support of the C-3 unit. Had asked for blinking lights and a crosswalk. Figure out how to make this a safer street. Too many people have been hit on this street. Huge increase in police presence. Don't want another person to pass away in the ward. Some residents in favor/some opposed. Two minute slow down is worth another person's life. Almost hit by a police cruiser, time to do something about the intersection. Councilor Tillotson asked is this going to Ordinance Committee for the ordinance? The answer was will not go to ordinance yet. Councilor Lopez stated will have to come back before us again. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to take item #26 out of order. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

26 A favorable Human Resources Committee report: Be it Ordered that the following nominations for the Anna E. Barry School Building Commission be submitted: Joshua Clark, Carissa Lisee, Michael Sarnelli, Stephen Morneau, Normand Girouard, Katie Collins-Kalbaugh.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to appoint Josh Clark, Carissa Lisee, Michael Sarnelli, Stephen Morneau, and Katie Collins-Kalbaugh. Councilor Labrie stated can only send five nominees. Normand has removed his name from consideration. Councilor Dobosz stated thank Mr. Girouard for being willing to serve. Was a longtime principal/volunteers at the library. Appreciate all the lifetime services to the city. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated thank Dr. Girouard for being classy. Very special person. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 no. Councilor Lopez voting no, Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-1 Mayor's appropriation of Three hundred ninety thousand nine hundred twenty-nine and 20/100 dollars (\$390,929.20) to the following named account: Highway Special Account for Snow & Ice Removal from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and pass. Councilor Dobosz stated standard snow and ice removal. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-2 Mayor's appropriation of Two hundred forty-eight thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$248,000.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Wastewater Special Account for Sludge Removal/Disposal from available funds in the following named Sewer Accounts:

W.W. Vehicle Replacement	\$ 48,000.00
Coll. Sys. Special MEO Salaries	10,000.00
Coll. Sys. Supervisor Salaries	40,000.00
Sewer Surplus	<u>150,000.00</u>
Total	\$248,000.00

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass. Councilor McAuliffe stated transfer of funds to fund the balance of the fiscal year. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-3 Mayor's appropriation of One hundred thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$100,000.00) to the following named account: Water Expense Account for Insurance Other from available funds in the Water Surplus Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and pass. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated workmen's comp payments. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-4 Mayor's appropriation of Fifty-two thousand nine hundred thirty and 00/100 dollars (\$52,930.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Water Special Account for Leak Detection from available funds in the Water Surplus Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and pass. Councilor Krampits stated actually contractually obligated to perform the inspection. To fund that process. Done by a 3rd party.

Mandated work/not a city employee project. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-5 Mayor's appropriation of Thirteen thousand five hundred ten and 00/100 dollars (\$13,510.00) to the following named account: Highway Special Account for Street Surveying/Legal Description from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Roy to receive and pass. Councilor Roy stated request for roadwork on streets not owned by the city. Need to accept the streets to be eligible for Chapter 90 funds. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated been many years since Griffith Road has been addressed. Last time a miracle happened was the 1980 hockey game. Councilor Dobosz stated just doesn't completely settle right in the stomach. Hoping WMDC would help with repairs. Won't support paying WMDC for this road. They should donate it. WMDC should donate their portion of the road. Councilor McAuliffe stated years long uninformed tirade against WMDC continues. By developing that property, getting the area on the tax roles, tasked with developing land. Would be poor decision on their part to donate land. Great thing for residents. Reason city hasn't been able to take it on, reason city can't get Chapter 90 monies. What will help us generate tax revenue. Don't expect they will donate. Councilor Lopez wholeheartedly hope Councilor McAuliffe is wrong. Hope any donation comes to the city. You can donate under eminent domain, hope since WMDC has neglected the road for so long and they are still making money. Not a favor to us. Do hope they do donate. Good faith effort on the part of the city. Nuisance for the road to be in this condition. Cost to donate would be much less than the cost to repair. Councilor Krampits stated before we get to far afield, this is just the first step. Councilor McAuliffe stated not a revenue generating body. WMDC/Mayor will approach. Councilor Tillotson asked should we send to finance to have more time to talk about it? Just another thought. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-6 Ordered that the City Council accept the donation in the amount of Sixty three thousand four hundred seventy-six and 89/100 dollars (\$63,476.89) from the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts, Inc. to the City of Chicopee. Said donation will be used to cover additional project change orders and it is accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive, pass and the donation accepted. Councilor Labrie stated additional drainage and retention work that needs to be done. Splitting the cost of overruns. Councilor Lopez stated all already appropriated, not funding this at all. Could have been a tax generating business. To make up for the lack of paying taxes. It's a 501C3. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-7 Mayor's appropriation of Ten thousand two hundred forty-two and 00/100 dollars (\$10,242.00) to the following named account: Registrars Expense Account for Departmental Equipment from available funds in the Registrars Passport Revolving Fund.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and pass. Councilor Tillotson stated coming out of their own accounts, paying for itself as a result of handing out passports. Councilor Lopez stated for a printer, the old one has run its course. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-8 Mayor's appropriation of Five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$5,000.00) to the following named account: City Council Special Account for Claims & Accounts Committee from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and pass. Councilor Balakier stated covers small claims against the city. Had a meeting before the council meeting, expensed the account need to have sufficient funds. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated Councilor McAuliffe did an excellent job running the meeting. Public felt they were treated fairly. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-9 Ordered that the City Council accept the attached list of donations in the amount of One hundred nine and 95/100 dollars (\$109.95) to the Chicopee Public Library. Said donations are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, pass and the donation accepted. Councilor Zygarowski stated library for gifts. Letters of thanks sent. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-10 Mayor's appropriation of Fifty-six thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$56,000.00) to the following named account: City Hall Maintenance Account for Special Services from available funds in the City Hall Maintenance Account for Jr. Building Custodian.

--Motion made by Councilor Lopez to receive and pass. Councilor Lopez stated request from facilities. Increase in electric/gas/water bills. Cost increases. A/C unit at city hall. Councilor Balakier stated just for the remainder of fiscal 2023. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-11 Mayor's appropriation of Five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$5,000.00) to the following named account: Police Special Account for Purchase of Bulletproof Vests from available funds in the Police Salary Account for Witness Fees.

--Motion made by Councilor Brooks to receive and pass. Councilor Brooks stated will allow to replace vests that have reached the end of their useful life. Councilor Lopez stated not money usually have to expend, hoping to have a grant, five thousand is nothing to save our officers. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Zygarowski out of chair. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-12 Mayor's appropriation of Seventeen thousand eight hundred twenty-six and 83/100 dollars (\$17,826.83) to the following named account: Human Resources Special Account for Indemnifications of Police and Fire from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and pass. Councilor Dobosz stated standard for health care costs. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-13 Be it Ordered by the City Council, acting according to its powers granted to it by the City Charter and Chapters 40, 79, and 83 of the Massachusetts General Laws, that the City hereby take permanent easements and temporary construction easements at or near Memorial Drive and McCarthy Avenue by eminent domain as described in the attached order of taking for the purpose of installing sewer and drain lines.

See attached order of taking to be recorded at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds.

No betterments are assessed as a result of these takings.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass. Councilor McAuliffe stated standard land taking for sewer separation. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-14 Be it Ordered by the City Council, acting according to its powers granted to it by the City Charter and Chapters 40, 79, and 83 of the Massachusetts General Laws, that the City hereby take permanent easements and temporary construction easements near Hudson Avenue by eminent domain as described in the attached order of taking for the purpose of installing sewer and drain lines.

See attached order of taking to be recorded at the Hampden County Registry of Deeds.

No betterments are assessed as a result of these takings.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and pass. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated installing sewer and drain lines in ward 9. Major project for the area. Improve the quality of life for the neighborhood. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-15 Mayor's appropriation of Six thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$6,000.00) to the following named account: Purchasing Expense Account for Advertising from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and pass. Councilor Krampits stated current balance won't cover advertising. Had to expand advertising, it adds up. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-16 Ordered that the City Council accept the in-kind donation of lawn signs in the amount of One thousand ninety and 00/100 dollars (\$1,090.00) from Sign Dynamics LLC to the City of Chicopee. Said donation of lawn signs are for the clean city initiative and they are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Roy to receive, pass and the donation accepted. Councilor Roy stated part of the clean city initiative. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

MO-17 Ordered that the City Council accept the donations in the amount of Five thousand one hundred thirty-seven and 75/100 dollars (\$5,137.75) to the Chicopee Council on Aging for senior meals for the month of April, 2023. Said donations are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive, pass and the donation accepted with a 2nd by Councilor Zygarowski. Councilor Labrie stated for senior meals. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Laffamme abstained, Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 18 A favorable License Committee report: Application for an Auto Body License for Chuck's Auto Body, Inc., located at 58 West Street. Applicant: Joseph Bednarz, 743 White Street, Springfield, MA 01108.
- Motion made by Councilor Brooks to receive and the license granted with restrictions. Councilor Brooks deferred to Councilor Krampits. Councilor Krampits stated the gentleman is operating Chuck's Auto Body. Read the restrictions into the record. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 19 A favorable License Committee report: Application for an Auto Repair License for Kins Auto Repair II located at 1098 Chicopee Street. Applicant: Joaquin Rodriguez, 41 Woodside Terrace, Springfield, MA 01108.
- Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and granted with restrictions. Councilor Krampits read the restrictions into the record. Doing rims, no oil changes, limited space. Wont' be a lot of tires on location. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Roy out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 20 A favorable License Committee report: Be it Ordered that Royal Coach Sales, LLC, 576 East Street, be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s) currently held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC, including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC.
1. Change address on licenses from 576 East St. to 574 East Street after review by Engineering Department.
- Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and postpone to the call of the chair. Councilor Krampits stated applicant did not show, simple change of address. Motion to postpone passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Pniak-Costello out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 21 A favorable License Committee report: Application for a license to drive a cab for A & Z Transportation, LLC – C-T. Applicant: Zaheer A. Sharikh, 25 Lorraine Street, Chicopee, MA 01013.
- Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and the license granted. Councilor Krampits stated applicant appeared and had a license previously. Re-applying, resolved issues. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 22 A favorable License Committee report: Application for a Hawkers & Peddlers License to sell ice cream at various locations. Applicant: Shaikmahmoud Alzubi, 33 Center Street, Apt. A, Windsor Locks, CT 06096.
- Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and postpone to the call of the chair. Councilor Krampits stated there was a letter or phone call, prior commitment on the night of the meeting. Motion to postpone passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 23 A favorable License Committee report: Be it Ordered that Walmart, 591 Memorial Drive, be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s)

currently held by Walmart, including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Walmart. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Walmart.

The reasons are excessive trash, public safety issues, expansion concerns, and other issues.

-- Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and postpone to the call of the chair. Councilor Krampits stated good dialogue, also need to get some answers to some questions. Questions asked, wanted answers by June 8th. Councilor Dobosz stated thank the council for supporting. Some action, think they should hire a police detail. Paper bags, hire a company to clean a lot more. Take issue seriously. Trash and crime are out of control. Councilor Balakier stated did bring up the possibility of fining, they know we're serious. Have answers at the next meeting. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated back in 2018 Walmart got national attention, maybe we should look at police protection. Big story in 2019, kids at the Elms were sending pictures home in front of Walmart. Continue to be proactive. Councilor Roy stated Walmart are not the only aggrieved. Many businesses in that parking lot. Councilor Lopez stated should be held accountable, trash on their property, deserve to live in a well kept area. Should be held responsible. Hoping Walmart will fix the issue. No plastic bags, fines. Hoping don't have to take those measures, less revenue for them. Band-aid to a larger issue. Branch of olive tree for benefit of Councilor Dobosz's hair. ---

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to allow Councilor Laflamme to speak. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 abstained. Councilor Laflamme abstained, Councilor Courchesne absent. Councilor Laflamme stated update: there every day, sweeper is out 7 days a week. One of the issues there is the tunnel. Health Department is meeting with them. Not just Walmart, the management company of the whole property is responsible. Some is from the other stores there. Behind the other stores the dumpsters are open not shut. Asked about carts. Didn't know about them. Need to hold them accountable. Asked for pictures. Voices are being heard. Making progress, need to stay on top of them. Motion to postpone passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 24 A favorable Human Resources Committee report: Mayoral appointment of Anthony Gallant as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to serve in such office for the term expiring on the 1st of April, 2026.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and postpone to the call of the chair. Councilor Tillotson stated take up at the next meeting. Motion to postpone passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 25 A favorable Human Resources Committee report: Mayoral appointment of Francis LaBreck as a member of the Water and Sewer Commission to serve in such office for the term expiring on the 1st of April, 2026.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and the appointment approved this evening. Councilor Tillotson stated doing a good job. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 28 A favorable Human Resources Committee report: Be it Ordered that the City Council meet to discuss the Open Meeting Law Complaint filed by Patrick Higgins received April 9, 2023.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and placed on file. Councilor Labrie stated the attorneys have responded. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Krampits out of chair. Councilor Courchesne absent.

29 Be it Ordered that the following City Council meeting dates be changed:

- Tuesday, September 19, 2023 be changed to Thursday, September 21, 2023 (City Preliminary)
- Tuesday, November 7, 2023 be changed to Thursday, November 9, 2023 (City Election)

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive and pass. Councilor Zygarowski stated elections, need to change dates. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Krampits out of chair, Councilor Courchesne absent.

30 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a speed indicator sign on Dale Street going north after the intersection of Plymouth Street and Dale Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and sent to the DPW for implementation. Councilor Labrie stated most main roads have speed indicator signs. Coming down the hill towards Montgomery would be a good area for it. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

31 Be it Ordained that the City of Chicopee hereby accepts and adopts the attached City Hall Parking Plan "Entitled City Hall Parking Area Center Neighborhood Dated January, 2022" as required by the ordinances of the City of Chicopee – Chapter 260-32.2 (B) – Municipal Parking Areas. The Council further deletes the current parking plan entitled "Municipal Parking – Chicopee Center, Chicopee, Massachusetts dated March 2019.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Labrie stated take up in committee. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

32 Be it Ordered that the Rules and Orders of the City Council Meetings shall be amended as follows:

Delete:

Regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the first and third Tuesday evening of each month, except for the months of July and August, when a single regular meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday of such months. All meetings shall convene at 7:15 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. If any such regular meeting shall fall on a legal holiday, or elections such meeting shall be held on the succeeding Thursday evening.

And Insert In Place Thereof:

Regular meetings of the City Council shall be held on the first and third Tuesday evening of each month, except for the months of July and August, when a single regular meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday of such months. All meetings shall convene at 6:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. If any such regular meeting shall fall on a legal holiday, or elections such meeting shall be held on the succeeding Thursday evening.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and refer to the Rules Committee. Councilor Labrie stated take up in committee. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 33 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a 30 MPH sign in front of 340 Pendleton Avenue in a southeast direction.
- Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive and sent to the DPW for implementation. Councilor Zygarowski stated approached by a police officer, seems the sign is missing. Doug Ellis said to send it as an order. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 34 Be it Ordered that the DPW assess the intersection of College and Britton Street.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW to assess and include Gladdu Avenue. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated congested area. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 35 Be it Ordered that the Public Safety Committee meet to discuss enforcement of ordinances in Chicopee.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and refer to the Public Safety Committee. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated review enforcement of ordinances. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 36 Be it Ordered that Eversource Utility Company appear before the Utilities Subcommittee for a public hearing to discuss the status of property on 113 James Street.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and refer to the Utilities Committee. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated property abandoned, boarded up, supposed to be demolition. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 37 Be it Ordered that the DPW remove the dead end sign on Dowds Lane.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated not a dead end. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 38 Be it Ordered that the DPW place not a thru street on Dowds Lane.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated constituent request. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 39 Be it Ordered that the DPW install "No Trucks" sign on Ludlow Road.
- Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for possibility of a no truck sign. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated constituent request, street is 19" wide and an 18-wheeler parks on the street. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.
- 40 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a Slow Children sign on James Street, between Prospect Street and Montcalm Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated James Street is very busy. Petition from residents about the truck traffic. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 41 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a Slow Children sign on Anson Street near the intersection of Blanchard Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated request given by the school committee rep. one way on Old Lyman there is now an uptick in traffic. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 42 Be it Ordered that the DPW install a Slow Children sign near 44 8th Ave.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated Constituent request, raising grandchildren. Off James Street, to assist with traffic. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 43 Be it Ordered that the Education Committee meet to discuss budget and traffic and pedestrian safety.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive and refer to the Education Committee. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated several school committee people contacted to discuss the budget. Councilor Balakier asked if this falls into finance and public safety? No because it is just to discuss. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 45 Be it Ordered that the DPW install SLOW CHILDREN signs in the area of 110 Hilton. Sign for EAST side can be installed on the pole of one of the existing "NO PARKING" signs on the EAST side of Hilton. Sign for WEST side of Hilton can be installed on or near CEL Pole #10.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Krampits stated constituent with disabilities, didn't want to be shown using existing signs. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 46 A proposed Ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, McCarthy Avenue, South Side-From College Street to a point 108 feet westerly thereof, Parking Prohibited Here to Corner.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated ordinance was written by Doug Ellis, this and the next order to discuss more in committee. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

- 47 A proposed Ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, McCarthy Avenue, North Side-From College Street to a point 95 feet westerly thereof, Parking Prohibited Here to Corner.

--Motion made by Councilor Pniak-Costello to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Pniak-Costello stated same course. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

48 A proposed Ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Kennedy Street, Both Sides – From Hampden Street to a point 70 feet westerly thereof, Parking Prohibited Here to Corner.

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Zygarowski stated take up in committee. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

49 A proposed Ordinance adding to Chapter 260, Parking Regulations, Alvord Avenue, South Side – From Broadway to a point 85 feet easterly thereof, Parking Prohibited Here to Corner.

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Zygarowski stated met with Doug Ellis, felt this was the best solution. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

50 An amendment for a name change on a Junk Dealers License, from Nu-Da-U to Rodriguez Wood Projects at 922 Chicopee Street. Applicant: Sammy Rodriguez, 118 St. Kolbe Drive, Holyoke, MA 01040.

--Motion made by Councilor Brooks to receive and refer to the License Committee. Councilor Brooks stated take up in committee. Motion to refer passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

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EcoATM, LLC	591 Memorial Drive
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Nu-Da-U	922 Chicopee Street
Polgold Jewelers	63 Cabot Street

--Motion made by Councilor Brooks to receive and the licenses granted with current restrictions. Councilor Brooks stated self-explanatory. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Courchesne absent.

Adjournment: --Motion made by Councilor Labrie to adjourn at 9:43. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes. Councilor Dobosz left at 9:42, Councilor Courchesne absent.

ATTEST:



Keith W. Rattelli, City Clerk