

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 22,2001

**AGENDA**

1. Open microphone

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR**

2. Communication submitting an Order authorizing submission of a Special Act to the Massachusetts State Legislature
3. Communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$20,130 from an Unclassified Account to the General Fund Account
4. Communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to execute a first amendment and modification of the lease agreement between the City of Pittsfield and Philip Massery, (1/b/a Massery Realty)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. On the petition from Western Mass. Electric Company and Bell Atlantic to install one jointly owned pole on Central Berkshire Boulevard
6. On the petition from Verizon New England and Western Mass. Electric Company to install one jointly owned pole on Holmes Road
7. On the petition from Verizon New England and Western Mass. Electric Company to install one jointly owned pole on Dalton Division Road

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

*Report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules*

8. To whom was referred a petition from Councillor Barry that the City place a renewed emphasis on eliminating the problem of vacant homes in the city, recommending it be filed

*Report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development*

9. To whom was referred a petition from Glenn Guachione requesting the Department of Community Development conduct a study on relocating the Police Department to the Post office, recommending it be filed

*Reports of the Traffic Commission*

10. To whom was referred a petition from Henry Hebert for a temporary pedestrian walkway over the railroad tracks on Merrill Road, recommending it be approved and sent to Mass. Highway

11. To whom was referred a petition from Councillor Grunin for a "Children" sign in the vicinity of 21-25 Caratina Avenue, recommending it be approved
12. To whom was referred a communication from the Mayor submitting a Traffic Order establishing an official yield sign, recommending it be approved

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

13. Communication from the Mayor submitting an Order designating parking on School Street for police vehicles only
14. Report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilors Scapin and Barry requesting the Council looks at eliminating the Ordinance for all-night parking
15. Petition from Peter Arlos that the City Council have Senator Nuciforo file a bill on behalf of the City calling for an ignition lock to be used in vehicles of repeat DWI offenders
16. A petition from Councilors Hickey and Grunin that Berkshire Sports and Events, LLC explore the possibility of shifting the proposed stadium site to avoid using property on Worthington Street
17. A petition from Peter Arlos that the Council support Senate 818 with regard to drunk drivers

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

18. Petition from Peter Arlos to use auxiliary police at voting locations for the June 5th election
19. Petition from Peter Arlos for a public hearing on the City's insurance problem
20. Petition from Mary Murphy for an audit of medical bills of city employees

#### **TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27**

##### *Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Rules*

21. Petition from Councillor Kerwood for a Brownfield Redevelopment Ordinance

##### *Referred to the Community Development Board*

22. Petition from the Community Development Board to amend the zoning ordinance Chapter 23, Sections 3.407 and 4.203

##### *Referred to the Director of Finance*

23. Petition from Peter Arlos for disclosure of amounts paid for workers' compensation, injuries, medical bills, school dept. services and ad hoc situations

Referred to the Police and Fire Chief

24. Petition from Peter Arlos for a report from Police and Fire Chiefs on implementation of law passed that requires police officers and firefighters to pass physical exams and fitness tests every two years

Referred to the Park Commission

25. Petition from Peter Arlos that the Park Commission not permit the use of the Common for large carnivals

Referred to the Committee on Public Works and Utilities

26. Petition from Councilor Barry that Demont Street be chip-sealed and graded
27. Petition from Councilor Barry that Burke Avenue be chip-sealed and graded and certain trees taken down
28. Petition from Councilor Barry that Cliff Avenue and Edgewood Road be re-swept

Referred to the Berkshire County Sheriff's Office

29. Petition from Peter Arlos to use inmates from the Berkshire County House of Correction to help the City handle potholes

Referred to Congressman Olver and Senators Kennedy and Kerry

30. Petition from Peter Arlos for an investigation by the appropriate federal agency of the reasons for the high cost of gasoline

**PLACED ON FILE**

31. Response from the Pittsfield Historical Commission on a petition from Councilor Guzzo for an update of placing Wahconah Park on the State's Historical Register