

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 28, 2003**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMENTS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. This item reserved for the Mayor to address the City Council, with an opportunity for questions from the Council

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR

3. A communication submitting an order for the purchase of school buses
4. A communication submitting an order amending order #56 of 2003 regarding the capital budget
5. A communication submitting an order transferring \$65, 898.30 between the contingency account and line item salary accounts of management employees
6. A communication submitting a traffic order establishing a parking restriction on Marshall Ave.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company and Verizon New England Inc. to locate poles on Cascade Street
8. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code on Zoning, as it pertains to waste transfer stations

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

9. A communication from the City Clerk submitting an order approving new voting equipment for the City of Pittsfield
10. A petition from Councilor Arlos that the Council support the position of State Attorney Thomas Reilly rejecting an increase of 12% in automobile insurance
11. A petition from Councilor Arlos that Congressman Olver ask the U.S. Postal Service to purchase the building owned by the Jewish Federation of the Berkshires
12. A petition from Councilor Arlos for designation of the Dan Fox Drive area as an “economic target area”
13. A petition from Councilor Arlos that the city’s administration move ahead with a program to purchase medications from Canada for city employees
14. A petition from Councilors Arpante, Tuttle and Marchetti to make pedestrian signs at the corner of Plunkett and Tyler Streets move visible
15. A petition from Councilor Arpante to seek federal, state or public/private funding for a free drug clinic

16. A petition from Councilor Marchetti requesting the Mayor form a plan to lessen the tax increase for fiscal 04 taxes
17. A petition from Councilor Marchetti to use unspent capital project money to help rectify the dirty water problem in the city
18. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Vincelette requesting a parking restriction on the east side of Marshall Ave., recommending approval as amended by Councilor Vincelette to read “No parking on the south side of Marshall Ave. from the intersection of Pomeroy Ave. to #20 Marshall Ave.
19. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Bianchi requesting a parking restriction on the east side of Hayes Place, recommending it be filed
20. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Vincelette for a “slow children at play” sign on Noblehurst Ave., recommending it be filed
21. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Bianchi for installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Garden St. and Lakeway Drive and the report of the police department on incidents at that location, recommending it be filed
22. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Bianchi for installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Acorn St. and Lakeway Dr. and the report of the police department on incidents at that location, recommending it be filed
23. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Bianchi requesting installation of a handicapped parking space in front of St. Mark’s Church at 400 West St., recommending it be filed
24. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a communication from Andrew Wrinn requesting installation of a guardrail on the corner of Dalton Division Road and Williams St., recommending it be filed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25. A response from the City Solicitor to a petition from Councilor Arlos regarding the chairman of the Board of Assessors (tabled 11-12-02)
26. A petition from Councilor Tuttle for a status report from the hydrologist that the Council requested to help resolve the water problems in the Burke Ave./Crane Ave. area (tabled 8-12-03)
27. Appointment of Raymond Boudreau as an associate member of the Community Development Board (tabled 9-9-03)
28. A traffic order establishing parking restrictions on Chickering St. (tabled 9-24-03)
29. Appointment of Thomas Galvagni as a member of the Community Development Board (tabled 9-24-03)

NEW BUSINESS

30. A petition from various individuals requesting the Council vote in opposition to the USA Patriot Act

ORDINANCES (final reading)

31. Final reading of an ordinance amending the City Code on Zoning, Chapter 23-4, Section 4.306, Projections into yards

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

32. A petition from Councilors Marchetti and Arpante for installation of a stop sign at the corner of Burbank and Tyler Streets
33. A petition from Councilors Marchetti and Arpante for installation of a stop sign at the corner of Burbank and Winter Streets
34. A petition from Councilors Marchetti and Arpante for installation of “School Zone” signs in the vicinity of Morningside School
35. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo III for “Do Not Wait In Street” signs in front on Dunkin’ Donuts on First Street and in front of the Post office on Fenn Street
36. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo III that the City maintain the summer parking arrangement on Wendell Ave. during the winter months

Referred to Pittsfield Housing and Berkshire Housing

37. A petition from Councilor Arlos requesting information regarding public housing

PLACED ON FILE

38. Response from the Superintendent of Schools to a petition from Councilor Arlos requesting information regarding the involuntary transfer of a teacher
39. Communication from the Youth Commission regarding a petition from Councilor Arpante for a curfew
40. Annual Report of the Berkshire Athenaeum
41. Petition from Egidio Altobelli, David Tyburski and Raymond Boudreau submitting signatures in opposition to any plans to build a waste transfer station (signatures on file in City Clerk’s office)