

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 23, 2004**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication advising of a presentation of the annual report of Health Plan performance
3. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Richmond for the conveyance and treatment of wastewater
4. A communication submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 13, Article VII, municipal Parking Areas

APPOINTMENTS

5. Appointment of Maurice E. Callahan as a member of the Pittsfield Economic Development Authority board
6. Appointment of Carleen Grandshaw and Thomas Sakshaug as members of the Animal Control Commission
7. Appointment of individuals as members of the Council on Aging
8. Appointment of individuals as members of the auxiliary police

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

9. A petition from Councilor Kerwood thanking emergency management volunteers that assisted with decorating the City's Christmas tree located on Park Square
10. A petition from Councilor Lothrop requesting all public meetings be recorded using DVD technology and requesting the Mayor appropriate \$1,000 for start up costs
11. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Tyer for installation of "Watch Children" signs at both ends of Belmont Avenue, recommending it be approved
12. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Costi requesting relocation of a handicapped parking sign from 12 Lincoln St. to 10 Lincoln St., recommending it be approved
13. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Costi to change "60 Minute" parking signs on Tyler St. in front of the GE property to "3 hour" parking, recommending "2 hour" parking be approved
14. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Tyer for installation of "No Right on Red" signs at the intersection of East and Newell Streets, recommending it be approved
15. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Costi for installation of a "Slow Children" sign in the vicinity of 22 South Carolina Avenue, recommending it be approved

16. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of "No Parking" signs along McArthur Street from Onota Street to the top of the first hill, recommending it be filed
17. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to relocate a crosswalk on Newell Street, recommending it be approved

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development

18. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development on a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting an Order authorizing the City to amend the Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan/Action Plan for the fiscal year 2005

Reports of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities

19. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to place Daytona Ave on the drainage repair list, recommending it be approved
20. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for repair or overlay of the sidewalk on Garden Street, recommending it be approved
21. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for cleaning of the culvert at Hancock Road/Churchill Street, recommending it be approved
22. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Tyer for inspection, repair and maintenance to the footbridge located on Parkside Avenue, recommending it be approved
23. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of new sidewalks on Brooks and Vivian Avenue, recommending it be approved
24. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Council and Mayor come up with a plan that addresses sweeping of unaccepted streets, recommending it be approved

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25. A report of the Committee on Finance to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting that the Treasurer and Assessors office give a presentation on the new State law pertaining to the new tax bills, recommending it be referred back to the Council for purposes of discussion during the tax classification hearing (tabled 10-26-04)
26. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Section 16-12 with regard to the Registrar of Voters Clerk (tabled 11-9-04)

NEW BUSINESS

27. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the City hold a First Night celebration to be organized and run by the Colonial Theatre staff
28. A petition from Terry Kinnas that the City Council and/or Mayor proceed with legal action to recover funds paid as a result of union lawsuits regarding health insurance

29. A petition from Richard Scapin requesting the Mayor appropriate up to \$2.5 million from GE Economic Development funds to offset tax increases

ORDINANCES (final reading)

30. An ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 13, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article I, increasing fines for parking in a handicapped space

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Community Development Board

31. A petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, to establish a Neighborhood Business District
32. A petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, Article 23-3, Zoning Districts
33. A petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, Article 23-7, Conditional Uses Group SR & SP

Referred to the City Clerk

34. A petition from Terry Kinnas to institute a procedure to require all voters to show photo identification when voting

Referred to the Chief of Police

35. A petition from Peter Arlos that the Police Department engage in a vigorous effort to enforce pedestrian crosswalks

Referred to the Committee on Public Works and Utilities

36. A citizens petition requesting installation of a street light in front of Riverview Homes

Referred to the Committee on Public on Public Buildings and Maintenance

37. A petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier requesting a comprehensive prioritized list of capital needs for the six unrenovated school buildings