

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 10, 2004**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the Mayor and City Council President to enter into and execute subordinations and terminations of certain easements on land of the General Electric Company
3. A communication submitting an Order authorizing an allocation of GE Economic Development Funds in the amount of \$100,000 to be used for the purpose of developing a master plan for the City of Pittsfield
4. A communication submitting an Order authorizing an allocation of GE Economic Development Funds in the amount of \$100,000 to be used for the purpose of the support of the Jobs for Pittsfield Initiative
5. A communication submitting an Order authorizing an allocation of GE Economic Development Funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 to be used for the purpose of the Colonial Theatre Restoration Project
6. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing parking restrictions on Bradford Street
7. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing parking restrictions on North Street and Bradford Street
8. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing parking restrictions on Dorchester Avenue, Bryant Street, Danforth Avenue and Stoddard Avenue

APPOINTMENTS

9. Appointment of Henry Ervan as a member of the Traffic Commission
10. Appointment of Nezka Pfeifer and Joseph Guertin as members of the Historical Commission

PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. A public hearing on the petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate a pole on Cascade Street
12. A public hearing on the application of Craig Bagon of Blackthorn Estate Buyers, Inc. for a Secondhand Dealers License
13. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, to reclassify land on First Street from RM to BG

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

14. A communication from the City Clerk submitting Orders authorizing the issuance of warrants and designating polling places and times for the State Primary Election
15. A petition from Councilor Markham requesting the Building Commissioner inspect property at 25-27 Sadler Avenue

16. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the that the Treasurer and Assessors Office give a presentation on the new state law pertaining to the new tax bills
17. A petition from Councilor-At-Large Kerwood requesting that the Mayor working with his Parking Task Force begin examining locations for a new parking garage in the downtown
18. A petition from Councilor-At-Large Kerwood requesting that Section 7.839 of the City Ordinances be amended as it pertains to Drive Through Windows
19. A report from the Committee on Ordinance and Rules to whom was referred an ordinance from Mayor Ruberto requesting amending the City Code deleting Commission of Public Health/Director of Municipal Inspections and constituting a Building Commissioner, recommending the Ordinance be approved
20. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting replacing one hour parking with 90 minute parking in the vicinity of Seymour/Wahconah Streets, recommending it be amended and instituted
21. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Thomas Pease requesting alteration of intersections of Seymour/Linden Streets and Seymour Street/Madison Avenue, recommending it be filed
22. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a crosswalk on Briggs Avenue in front of St Charles Church, recommending it be amended and crosswalk installed on Pontoosuc Avenue
23. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Mayor Ruberto submitting a Traffic Order establishing an official parking determination on Edwin Street, recommending it be approved

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Report of the Committee on Public Works & Utilities

24. A report of the Committee on Public Works & Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Lothrop that repairs be made to the southern side of Bay State Road, recommending it be approved and referred to Commissioner Collingwood

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25. Final reading of an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 2, Administration, Article XVII, Board of Health

NEW BUSINESS

26. Petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Mayor and Council submit a special act instructing the Secretary of State to place a binding question on the ballot regarding pay-as-you-throw trash
27. Petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Council vote to have State Representative Peter Larkin ask the State for a gasoline tax moratorium for the month of September
28. Petition from Terry Kinnas requesting the Council and City Solicitor to develop guidelines for governmental body/commission to follow when conducting the public's business. And to institute an educational program to review the many facets of the state's open meeting laws and regulations
29. Petition from Terry Kinnas requesting the Council have a public hearing that allows public input before any tax or fee changes

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

30. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III for installation of signs to prevent obstruction of traffic on Fenn Street in the vicinity of the post office
31. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of a right turn lane on both sides of the Seymour Street / Wahconah Street intersection and Seymour Street / Charles Street intersection, to avoid motorist from using the parking lane as a turning lane
32. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of a No Parking sign on the north side of Turner Avenue all the way down from Seymour Street
33. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of No Parking sign along the west side of Lakeway Drive from Pecks Road
34. A petition from Councilor Tyer requesting an evaluation of the Edward Avenue and Malcolm Avenue intersection to determine ways to protect the neighborhood from speeding vehicles
35. A petition from Councilor Tyer requesting installation of a sign for 2-hour parking or Customer Parking Only in front of 187 Newell Street (Mold Master) for easier customer access
36. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Traffic Commission to designate two spaces for tour buses

Referred to the Public Works Committee

37. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to approve the repair of a section of sidewalk located at 86 Danforth Avenue

PLACED ON FILE

38. A response from Ross Dindio of MassHighway regarding a petition from Councilor Costi to establish a quiet zone on a section of North Street