

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 15, 2004**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing an official parking determination on Wahconah Street
3. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing a loading zone on First Street
4. A communication submitting a communication from Commissioner Collingwood for plans regarding the Park Square Improvement Project

APPOINTMENTS

5. Appointment of Nicholas DeSantis as a police officer in the Pittsfield Police Department
6. Appointment of Walter Malins, Robert P. Green, Marjorie Campbell and Theresa Harrison Bianchi as members of the Council on Aging
7. Appointment of Louise A. McCue as a member of the Tourism Commission

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. A continuation of a public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, to reclassify land on First Street from RM to BG
9. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate conduit on Wendell Avenue
10. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate poles on Boylston St.
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12. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate poles on Henry Avenue
13. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate poles on South Street
14. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate poles on Clinton Avenue
15. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the Code of the City of Pittsfield, Chapter 23, Article 23, Zoning Ordinance, authorizing and regulating the operation of adult entertainment establishments

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

16. A petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier that the Council investigates the building needs of Taconic High School
17. A petition from Councilor Bianchi requesting support for a home rule petition to institute a truck exclusion on Merriam Street
18. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Markham for installation of "No parking here to corner" signs on the corner of Draper Ave., bounded by the first driveway, recommending it be approved and signs installed
19. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Markham requesting installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Cliff Ave. and Edgewood Road, recommending it be approved and the sign installed
20. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III for installation of signs to prevent obstruction of traffic on Fenn St. in the vicinity of the post office, recommending it be approved and signs installed
21. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of "No Parking" signs on the north side of Turner Ave. all the way down Seymour St., recommending it be filed
22. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of "No Parking" signs along the west side of Lakeway Drive from Pecks Road, recommending it be approved and signs installed
23. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Tyer for installation of a sign for "Two Hour" parking or "Customer Parking Only" in front of 187 Newell Street, recommending it be approved and signs installed
24. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Traffic Commission designate two parking spaces on Edwin Street for tour buses, recommending it be filed
25. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting a Traffic Order establishing loading zones on North St. and Bradford St., recommending it be approved
26. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting a Traffic Order establishing a parking determination on Bradford St., recommending it be approved
27. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Lothrop that the westerly side of South Street from Park Square to the sidewalk be reviewed for recent changes in parking status, recommending it be filed
28. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to reduce the "No Parking" zone in the vicinity of 195 Onota Street and install a loading zone, recommending 45 feet of the "No Parking" zone be changed to a loading zone
29. A report of the Traffic Commission to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of stop signs at the intersection of Danforth/Robbins Ave and Danforth/Daniels Ave., recommending stop signs on the southerly lane of Daniels Ave. approaching Danforth and on the northerly lane of Daniels Ave., approaching Danforth Ave.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Reports of the Committee on Public Works & Utilities

30. A report of the Committee on Public Works & Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting resolution of a drainage problem on Park St. ext., recommending it be approved
31. A report of the Committee on Public Works & Utilities to whom was referred a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for overlay of a portion of the sidewalk on King Street, recommending it be approved

Reports of the Committee on Community and Economic Development

32. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting an Order authorizing the City to submit an application to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for a PWED grant in the amount of \$1,000,000, recommending it be filed
33. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto 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, recommending it be approved
34. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting an Order authorizing an allocation of GE Economic Development funds in the amount of \$100,000 to be used to support the Jobs for Pittsfield initiative, recommending it be approved
35. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development to whom was referred a communication from Mayor Ruberto 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 Theater Restoration Project, recommending it be approved

Reports of the Committee on Ordinances & Rules

36. A report of the Committee on Ordinances & Rules to whom was referred an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, reclassifying land on First Street from RM to BG, recommending it be approved
37. A report of the Committee on Ordinances & Rules to whom was referred an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, with regard to adult entertainment, recommending the Ordinances be amended and approved

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

39. A petition from Peter Arlos that as a condition of further funding, the Colonial Theatre project put construction work out to bid

ORDINANCES (final reading)

40. Final reading of an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 2, Administration, Article IV, Deleting the Commissioner of Public Health/Director of Municipal Inspections and constituting a Building Commissioner

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

41. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for redesigning of the intersection in front of Berkshire Medical Center
42. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to explore possible parking restrictions on side streets
43. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of "90 Minute" parking and "No Parking" on the south side of Madison Ave from Seymour Street to North Street
44. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to amending "15 Minute" parking on the east side of McKay Street to "30 Minute" parking
45. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of "Slow Children" signs in the areas of Green Hill Road, Paul Ave and Highland Ave.
46. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of a "Hidden Drive" sign at the easterly corner of the Corner Variety Store
47. A petition from Councilors Bianchi and Lothrop for installation of a new signal light on the west corner of West and Center Street with a left turn arrow for the north and southbound lanes, or retiming of the existing light to allow for left turn flow

Referred to the Mayor

48. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III to allocate GE Economic Development funds to companies that provide 750 jobs for five years at PEDDA

Referred to the Commissioner of Public Works & Utilities

49. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to place Lee Street on the chip sealing list

Referred to the Code Enforcement Officer

50. A petition from Anthony Maffuccio for enforcement of curbside garbage placement time

Referred to the Attorney General

51. A petition from Peter Arlos to investigate the discrepancy in the price of gasoline between Pittsfield and the Hampshire/Hampden county area

Referred to the Chief of Police

52. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting a contingency plan to handle possible loss of police officers

PLACED ON FILE

53. Annual report of the Building Maintenance Dept.
54. Annual report of the Dept. of Community Services/Parks & Recreation
55. Annual report of the Council on Aging
56. Annual report of the Licensing Board