

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 25, 2005 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting an Order amending Council Order No. 7 of the series of 2004, authorizing the borrowing of \$2,095,000.00 for capital expenditures
3. A communication submitting a traffic order establishing stop signs on Allengate Ave., Strong Ave., Hazelwood Terrace and Emerson Ave.
4. A communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting Orders authorizing a taking and taking by eminent domain property located on Barker Road

APPOINTMENTS

5. Appointment of Terrance Andrus as a Captain in the Pittsfield Fire Department
6. Appointment of Jeremy Klink, Michael Nugai and Robert Stevens as firefighters in the Pittsfield Fire Department
7. Appointment of Matthew Hill and Gary Belknap as Sergeants in the Pittsfield Police Department

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. A public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate poles on Buel Street
9. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, Section 7.847. Section E(1) amending setback requirements for adult entertainment establishments to 400 feet

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

10. A petition from Councilor Malumphy requesting a presentation to the Council of the Consent Decree between the City of Pittsfield and GE, the EPA and DEP
11. A petition from Councilor Lothrop for examination of the resources that would be required for a large scale evacuation
12. A petition from Councilor Lothrop for examination of the events leading up to and during the recent flooding in the area
13. A petition from Councilor Lothrop for examination of the resources that would be required to inspect all buildings and land for the purpose of ensuring accurate city property records
14. A petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier requesting an update from the Mayor on the School Nurses and Health Director positions
15. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Costi for installation of a “children” sign on Tyler Street in the vicinity of Rhode Island Ave., recommending it be approved and signs installed on New York Avenue heading west and Harvard Street heading east
16. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Council Costi for installation of a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Allengate Avenue and Elberon Ave., recommending it be approved and signs installed and the petition referred to the Police Department for enforcement

17. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Vincelette for installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Emerson Avenue and Cooper Parkway, recommending it be approved and signs installed
18. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilors Farley-Bouvier and Costi for installation of a caution sign indicating a daycare on Lincoln Street in the vicinity of Second St., recommending it be approved and signs installed on Lincoln St. and Second St.
19. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier to address the traffic needs on Highland Ave., recommending it be approved and referred to the Commissioner of Public Works for the trimming of trees and possible relocation of signs; and referred to the Police Department for enforcement of speed regulations
20. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to convert the fire lane behind Joe's Lunchbox to a loading zone, recommending it be filed
21. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Peter Arlos that the City file an application to the Transportation Improvement Program for funds to design improvements to Hubbard Ave., recommending it be referred to the Dept. of Community Development and the Planning Board

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

22. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier for the Animal Control Commission to amend the City Code, Chapter 2 ½ , increasing fees for dog licensing, recommending it be approved
23. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilors Kerwood and Markham to amend the City Code, Chapter 14, Miscellaneous Offenses, Section 14-17
24. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilors Malumphy and Costi to include cigarette butts as part of the City's littering ordinance, recommending it be approved
25. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to update trash collection regulations to require residents to place trash in containers, recommending it be approved and referred to the Health Department
26. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III to adopt a private property protection and government accountability act, recommending it be filed

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

27. A petition from Councilor Malumphy requesting updates from the Mayor on the School Building Needs Commission, Charter Review Commission and financial forecasting for the 2006 budget (tabled 3-2-05, 5-24-05; 8-9-05)
28. A petition from Councilor Lothrop requesting an update from the City Solicitor, or a designee, regarding prohibiting alcohol sales within adult entertainment establishments (tabled 6-14-05)
29. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Council support legislation to allow children of illegal immigrants to attend state public colleges (tabled 8-9-05)
30. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 11, Licenses, Registrations and Permits, adding Article VII, Special Liquor Licenses (tabled 9-28-05)

NEW BUSINESS

31. A petition from Peter Arlos to ask Representative Speranzo to file legislation to legalize specially constructed golf carts for use on public ways

32. A petition from Peter Arlos for examination of the feasibility of health care partnerships with other communities
33. A petition from Peter Arlos that he Mayor provide the Council with a status report on Altresco

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

34. A petition from Councilor Markham for a heavy commercial vehicle ban on Partridge Road
35. A petition from Councilor Markham for "90 Minute" parking on the south side of Stoddard Avenue between Myrtle St. and Pleasant St.

Referred to the Committee on Public Works and Utilities

36. A petition from Councilor Markham for improvements to the curbing on the east side of Montgomery Ave. Ext. and the corner of Sherrill Ave.

Referred to the Community Development Board

37. A petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, with regard to time share and resort development

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Rules

38. A response from the Park Commission requesting the petition from Councilor Kerwood in reference to surveillance cameras be referred to Committee on Ordinances and Rules

PLACED ON FILE

39. A response from the Director of Finance, G. Richard Bordeaux, on a petition from Councilor Kerwood regarding on-line bill paying and remote location payments
40. A communication from Congressman Olver to the EPA expressing concern over the recent discovery of additional contamination at the Newell Street site near the Housatonic River