

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 28, 2005 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting an Order laying out, establishing and accepting Dan Fox Drive as a public way
3. A communication submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Sec. 16-12(a), Exempt Employee Pay Scale
4. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing stop signs on Connecticut Avenue at Benedict Road and on Henry Avenue at Elizabeth St.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to locate conduits on South Street
6. Public hearing on a petition from Western Mass. Electric Company to install poles on East Street

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

7. A petition from Councilor Malumphy to set aside \$100,000 in GE Economic Development funds to assist small businesses which need to relocate to the City due to large-scale re-development
8. A petition from Councilor Kerwood that the Board of Health conducts an investigation on the merits of re-establishing the City's mosquito control program as well as a related educational program on mosquito exposure
9. A petition from Councilor Kerwood to investigate the possibility of placing surveillance cameras in areas heavily impacted by illegal dumping
10. A report of the Traffic Commission on a communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting proposed changes to Willis St. Municipal Parking Lot #2, recommending it be approved
11. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Costi for installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Connecticut Ave and Benedict Road, recommending it be approved
12. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for a Right Turn Only sign at the northbound intersection of Valentine Road and Pecks Road, recommending it be approved
13. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Lothrop for installation of a 4-way stop at the intersection of Elizabeth St. and Henry Ave., recommending it be approved
14. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for a speed study on Pecks Road and the enforcement of speeding, recommending it be approved
15. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Tyer that the Traffic Commission review and implement safe pedestrian crossings in the vicinity of Meadow Lane and Newell St., recommending it be filed

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

16. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio asking for a solution to permanently fix the wash out problem on Hancock Road, recommending it be approved and referred to the Commissioner of Public Works
17. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for repair of the fence at the municipal parking lot on the corner of Madison Ave. and Seymour Street, recommending it be approved and referred to the Commissioner of Public Works
18. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for an update on the status of drainage repair problems on Victory Road and Daytona Avenue, recommending it be filed
19. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for an update on the status of drainage repair problems on Park Street and Wahconah Park, recommending it be file

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

20. 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)
21. 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)
22. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Council support legislation to allow children of illegal immigrants to attend state public colleges (8-9-05)

NEW BUSINESS

23. A presentation from representatives of the Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Environmental Protection
24. petition from Rinaldo DelGallo III to bill companies that have not provided the number of jobs they said they would under a tax incentive program
25. A petition from Peter Arlos that the City file an application to the Transportation Improvement Program for funds to design improvements to Hubbard Avenue
26. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III that the Council support the Safe Schools Act
27. A petition from Terry Kinnas to use \$750,000 of GE Economic Development funds that were going to be used for the Dan Fox Drive water and sewer project on extra police and safety personnel

ORDINANCES (final reading)

28. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 21, Taxicabs and Other Vehicles for Hire
29. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel, Section 16-12(a), Exempt Employee Pay Scale
30. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel, Section 16-12(a), Management Pay Scale to delete the position of Deputy Director of Community Development, Grade 9, and replacing it with Community Development and Housing Program Manager
31. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel, Section 16-12(a), Management Pay Scale

32. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel, Section 16-12(a), changing the grade of Accountant, Assessor, Purchasing Agent, Tax Collector, Director of Maintenance and Assistant City Solicitor
33. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 11, Licenses, Registrations and Permits, adding Article VII, Special Liquor Licenses
34. An ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 11, Licenses, with regard to door-to-door solicitations

MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

35. A petition from Councilors Tyer and Farley-Bouvier for installation of a pedestrian light at the crosswalk located at Dawes Ave. and Holmes Road
36. A petition from Councilor Costi for installation of a "slow children" sign on Tyler St. in the vicinity of Rhode Island Avenue
37. A petition from Councilor Costi for installation of a four-way stop at the intersection of Allengate Ave. and Elberon Ave.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Health

38. A petition from Councilor Malumphy to review the management structure and operations of the Pittsfield Airport

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Rules

39. A petition from Peter Marchetti to adopt a policy to require all minutes of Council sub-committee meetings be filed in the City Clerk's office

Referred to Berkshire Housing

40. A petition from various citizens requesting a phone in the Union Court Building

PLACED ON FILE

41. Annual report of the Building Inspection Department
42. Response from the Director of Public Health to a petition from Councilor Maffuccio regarding 206-208 Linden St. and 257-259 Robbins Ave.
43. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III to develop a catastrophe evacuation plan for those without transportation
44. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III that the Council tell the President that the response to Hurricane Katrina was unacceptable
45. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III to amend the City Charter or create an ordinance so that tax incentives are only granted to those that perform as promised
46. A petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III to create the position of "Bullying Czar"