

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 10, 2006 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting various Orders in connection with the downtown cinema center project
3. A communication submitting proposed amendments to parking designations at the Gateway Park lot on South Street
4. A communication submitting an Order accepting a donation of \$6,500 from Barbalunga Enterprises, Inc. to be used for lighting at Wahconah Park and Mark Belanger Youth Athletic Complex
5. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to pay a previous year's expense in the amount of \$3.24 from an account of the Dept. of Public Works/Utilities - Water Division
6. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to pay a previous year's expense in the amount of \$118.27 from an account of the Pittsfield Municipal Airport

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. A public hearing on a petition from Western Massachusetts Electric Company for permission to install and maintain underground lines on North Street

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

8. A petition from Councilor Tyer requesting endorsement of proposed legislation that would create a new local option for municipalities to purchase health insurance plans through the Group Insurance Commission
9. A petition from Councilor Markham requesting the Director of Community Services and Conservation Agent appear at the next meeting to discuss the necessary steps to reclaim portions of Springside Park known as the wading pool and frog pond
10. A response from William Thornton, Acting Building Commissioner, to a petition from Councilor Maffuccio to amend the City Code to exempt churches, cemeteries and non-profit agencies from getting permits for tents
11. A communication from the City Clerk submitting Orders issuing the warrant and designating polling places and times for the November 7, 2006 State election

NEW BUSINESS

12. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Council ask the Mayor to use \$250,000 of GE funds to make up for the budget cut that under funded garbage pick up costs

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. A communication from Mayor Ruberto submitting an Order establishing a solid waste service charge (tabled 9-12-06)
14. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to amend the City Code to exempt churches, cemeteries and non-profit agencies from getting permits for tents (tabled 9-26-06)
15. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on the referral of a communication from the Mayor submitting the Downtown Circulation Study, recommending acceptance (tabled 9-26-06)

16. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 8, Solid Waste and Disposal (tabled 9-26-06)

PLACED ON FILE

17. Annual Report of the Berkshire Athenaeum

18. Annual Report of the Department of Administration and Finance/Treasurer

19. Annual Report of the City Accountant

20. Annual Report of the Board of Assessors

21. Annual Report of the Tax Collector

22. Annual Report of the Purchasing Agent

23. Annual Report of MIS