

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 12 , 2006 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication authorizing the Berkshire Athenaeum to occupy and maintain a public library at 1 Wendell Avenue for an additional ten-year period
3. A communication submitting an Order transferring the sum of \$25,000 from an Unclassified account to an account of the City Solicitor for the purpose of tax title litigation
4. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to accept a gift of funds in the amount of \$1,830 from the Berkshire Bank Foundation to the Pittsfield Historical Commission
5. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to pay previous year's expenses totaling \$1,190.88 from accounts of the Department of Parks and Recreation
6. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to pay a previous year's expense in the amount of \$4,230 from an account of the Fire Department
7. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City to pay previous year's expenses totaling \$5,042.57 from accounts of the Department of Public Works and Utilities
8. A communication submitting a Traffic Order necessary to implement parking changes on Stoddard Ave.
9. A communication submitting a Traffic Order establishing a stop sign on Emerson Avenue
10. A communication submitting a Traffic Order necessary to implement parking changes on Robbins Avenue
11. A communication submitting a Traffic Order necessary to implement parking changes on Commonwealth Avenue
12. A communication submitting an Order establishing the rate for the collection of bulky waste items
13. A communication submitting an Order establishing a solid waste service charge

APPOINTMENTS

14. Appointment of Mark Cancilla to the position of Deputy Chief in the Pittsfield Fire Department
15. Appointment of Daniel Robinson to the position of Lieutenant in the Pittsfield Fire Department
16. Appointment of Daniel McLaughlin and Jarrett Hoskeer as firefighters in the Pittsfield Fire Department
17. Appointment of Donald Feigenbaum, David Hall and Benjamin Smith as members of the Berkshire Athenaeum Board of Trustees

PUBLIC HEARING

18. A public hearing on an application from Greylock Federal Credit Union for a special permit for a drive-through at 71 Elm Street, Pittsfield

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

19. A petition from Councilor Costi requesting the City adopt a zero tolerance policy ordinance relating to littering on city streets and sidewalks, including fines
20. A petition from Councilors Kerwood and Ward to amend the City Code to establish a Community Preservation Committee and outline its duties
21. A report of the Personnel Review Board relative to its August 9, 2006 meeting
22. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Costi to reduce the speed limit in the vicinity of the new playground on Springside Ave. to 25 mph, recommending installation of "children at play" signs
23. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Costi to replace one parking place in front of 17 Wendell Ave. with a loading zone, recommending it be filed
24. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Ward for "No Parking" signs on the east side of Commonwealth Ave. from 15 Commonwealth Ave. to Massachusetts Ave., recommending it be approved and signs installed
25. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Costi to increase parking time in the Columbus Ave. parking deck from 3 hours to 4 hours, recommending it be filed
26. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for "No Parking" signs along the east side of Robbins Ave. from Linden St. to Bradford St., recommending it be approved and signs installed
27. A report of the Traffic Commission on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for installation of a three-way stop sign at the intersection of Dan Casey Memorial Drive and Pecks Road, recommending it be filed

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Reports of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules

28. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 8, Solid Waste and Disposal

NEW BUSINESS

29. A petition from Peter Arlos to recognize the Lichtenstein Center for Music and Art on banners in the central business district

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

30. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio that the Council oppose any change in garbage collection services (tabled 2-14-06)

MATTERS REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Traffic Commission

31. A petition from Councilor Lothrop to lower the speed limit to 25 mph on Gale Ave. between W. Housatonic and Osceola St., including a speed study if necessary

Referred to the Community Development Board

32. An application from Berkshire-Merrill Road, LLC to amend its special permit for property located at 609 Merrill Road

PLACED ON FILE

33. Annual report of the Veterans' Services Department
34. Annual report of the Office of the City Solicitor