

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 8, 2006 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a donation of \$1,000 from the Wal-Mart Foundation
3. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield through its Mayor and City Council, the granting of any easement over City owned property on the westerly side of Allen Street
4. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to pay a previous year's expense in the amount of \$208.76 to McMaster-Carr from Wastewater account 61203-52400
5. A communication submitting the completed Downtown Circulation Study and information about an upcoming presentation by the consultants
6. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to pay previous year's expenses in the amount of \$2,672.65 from police account line 01190-53018, \$171.58 from account line 01190-52400 and \$88.81 from account line 01190-52447

APPOINTMENTS

7. Appointment of Michael J. Makes to the Conservation Commission
8. Appointment of Michael Polidoro to the of Captain of the Pittsfield Fire Department

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, by deleting Article 23-5 (PURD) in its entirety (continued from June 27, 2006)
10. A public hearing on an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, by the addition of a section for Flexible Development (continued from June 27, 2006)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

11. A communication from the City Clerk submitting Orders authorizing the issuance of the warrant and designating polling locations and times for the September 19, 2006 State Primary Election
12. A report of the Personnel Review Board relative to its July 5, 2006 meeting
13. A report from the Pittsfield Community Development Board to whom was referred a petition reclassifying four parcels on Bradford Street, recommending it be filed and that the zone change request be filed by the property owner or alternative petitioner meeting the requirements of Chapter 40A, Section 5
14. An update from Deanna Ruffer on the activities relative to the property located at 370 Wahconah Street and 50 East Mill Street

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Reports of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities

15. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a leaf collection this spring or fall, recommending referral to Commissioner Collingwood for inclusion in contract negotiations

16. A report of the Committee on Public Works and Utilities on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio for placement of a "Stop for Pedestrian" sign in the Seymour Street and Madison Avenue areas, recommending approval and referral to Commissioner Collingwood for installation

Report of the Committee on Finance

17. A report of the Committee on Finance on an Order authorizing the borrowing of \$3.4 million for the purpose of paying land acquisition and related costs as part of the airport improvement project, recommending approval

Report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development

18. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development on a petition from Councilors Kerwood and Ward to begin the process for acceptance of the Community Preservation Act, recommending approval of an Order accepting Mass. General Laws, Chapter 44B, sections 3 to 7, inclusive and proposed ballot language
19. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development on an Order authorizing the use of \$500,000 of GE Economic Development Funds for Barrington Stage Company, recommending approval
20. A report of the Committee on Community and Economic Development on an Order rescinding Order No. 64 of the Series of 2003 which authorized \$1,460,000 for water and sewer services on Dan Fox Drive, recommending approval

NEW BUSINESS

21. A petition from Peter Arlos asking the Council to support sales tax holiday legislation
22. A petition from Peter Arlos for creation of an ordinance that prohibits level 2 and 3 sex offenders from living within 1,000 feet of any playground, park, school or day-care center in Pittsfield
23. A petition from various residents asking for re-assessment of damage and reconsideration of lane closures as well as other improvements in the area of New Road/Wyandotte Mill Road

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

24. 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

25. A petition from Councilor Costi requesting the speed limit on Springside Avenue in the vicinity of the new playground be reduced to 25 mph
26. A petition from Councilor Costi requesting Wendell Avenue Extension be made one-way, south to north, and diagonal parking be installed on one side
27. A petition from Councilor Ward for installation of "no parking" signs on the east side of Commonwealth Ave., from 15 Commonwealth Ave. to Massachusetts Ave.

Referred to the Community Development Board

28. An application from Greylock Federal Credit Union for a Special Permit for a drive up window at 71 Elm Street

PLACED ON FILE

29. Response from Representative Guyer regarding a petition to support elimination of the statute of limitations on sexual crimes against children
30. Annual report of the City Clerk's Office

31. Annual report of the Licensing Board
32. Annual report of the Fire Department
33. Annual report of the Pittsfield Municipal Airport