

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 11, 2007 – 7:30 P.M.**

AGENDA

1. Open microphone

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

2. A communication informing the Council of a presentation by Williams College students with regard to municipal vehicle usage
3. A communication submitting a Resolution providing for the creation of an Economic Opportunity Area: Plastics; an **amended** Resolution authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Plan for the SABIC Expansion Project by SABIC Innovated Plastics US LLC in the Plastics Economic Opportunity Area; and an **amended** Order approving the Certified Project and Tax Increment Financing Agreement of SABIC Innovative Plastics US LLC and the General Electric Company and its affiliates
4. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to transfer the school nurse positions to the Pittsfield School Department
5. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to transfer the school nurse leader position to the Pittsfield School Department
6. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to retain Bobrowski, Blatt and Mead for specialized legal and advice services

APPOINTMENTS

7. Appointment of Tess McGovern, Carmen Estevez and Anne Beauregard as members of the School Building Needs Commission
8. Appointment of James Ervin as a member of the Pittsfield Cultural Council

PUBLIC HEARING

9. A public hearing on the tax rate calculations and classification

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

10. A petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier to amend Council Rule 38, Section IV, with regard to voting requirements
11. A petition from Councilor Farley-Bouvier to amend City Council Rule 26 to combine the duties of the Finance and Audit Committees

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Reports of the Committee on Finance

12. A report of the Committee on Finance on a Resolution authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Plan for the South Street #1 Economic Opportunity Area and an Order approving the Certified Project Application of Pittsfield Rye, Inc. and Pittsfield Rye Real Estate, LLC, recommending approval

13. A report of the Committee on Finance on a Resolution providing for the creation of the Downing Three #2 Economic Opportunity Area; a Resolution authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Downing Three #2 Economic Opportunity Area; and an Order approving the Certified Project Application of Apex Resource Technologies, Inc. and the 17 Downing Three Nominee Trust, recommending approval
14. A report of the Committee on Finance on a Resolution providing for the creation of the West Housatonic Street #1 Economic Opportunity Area, recommending approval
15. A report of the Committee on Finance on a Resolution providing for the creation of the Laurel Street #1 Economic Opportunity Area; a Resolution authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Unistress Expansion Project by Unistress Corporation and Petricca Construction Company, Inc. in the Laurel Street #1 Economic Opportunity Area; and an Order approving the Certified Project Application and Tax Increment financing Plan of Unistress Corporation and Petricca Construction Company, Inc., recommending approval
16. A report of the Committee on Finance on a Resolution providing for the creation of an Economic Opportunity Area: Plastics; a Resolution authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Plan for the SABIC Expansion Project by SABIC Innovated Plastics US LLC in the Plastics Economic Opportunity Area; and an Order approving the Certified Project and Tax Increment Financing Agreement of SABIC Innovative Plastics US LLC and the General Electric Company and its affiliates, recommending approval

NEW BUSINESS

17. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the Council ask the Governor to consider the level of low-income households in Pittsfield when allocating additional home heating aid
18. A petition from Katherine Gundelfinger requesting that a portion of Burbank Park be designated for top-free sunbathing and for an Ordinance restricting anyone from walking shirt-free in the downtown

ORDINANCES (final reading)

19. An Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 23, Section 3.302 by reclassifying land on South Mountain Road, identified as Assessors Map. from LD-I to R-43
20. An Ordinance amending the City Code Chapter 23, Section 3.301, to reclassify a 15.582-acre parcel of land located south of the Pittsfield/Lanesboro line identified as Assessors Map No. K17-0001-201 from an R-20 zone to an LDI zone