

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 12, 2008 – 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 approve a conservation restriction for property located on Tamarack Road
3. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
4. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant of funds from Berkshire County Boards of Health
5. A communication submitting an Order establishing a revolving account in the Police Department
6. A communication submitting an Order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to pay several previous year's expenses in the amount of \$5,386.42 from various accounts of the Department of Public Works and Utilities
7. A communication submitting an order authorizing the City of Pittsfield to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$56,302.80 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

8. Public hearing on the petition from Verizon New England to locate poles on Hungerford Street
9. Public hearing on a petition from the Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, by the addition of a new section 4.321, Smart Growth Overlay District, as well as amendments to Section 3, Zoning Districts
10. Public hearing on a petition from Community Development Board to amend the City Code, Chapter 23, Zoning, Sections 2.2, 4.320 and 7.831 that establish the Downtown Arts Overlay District
11. Public hearing on an application from Clifford Street Realty, LLC (formerly Cafua Management Company, LLC) to amend the zoning ordinance to reclassify land on the west side of North Street, identified as Assessor's Map H14, Block 7, Lot 102 from RM to IL
12. Public hearing on an application from Clifford Street Realty, LLC (formerly Cafua Management Company, LLC) for a special permit for a drive through under Article 23-7, Section 7.839 for property located on the west side of North Street, identified as Assessor's Map H14, Block 7, Lot 102

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS**

13. A communication from the City Clerk submitting Orders issuing the warrant and designating polling places and times for the September 16, 2008 State Primary Election

14. A report of the Green Commission on a petition from Councilor Sherman asking the City to commit to the EPA New England's Community Energy Challenge, recommending it be approved

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### *Report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules*

15. A report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Councilor Costi requesting the Traffic Commission change the amount of spaces that are require to move a vehicle after parking in a space for the allotted time to at least one block, recommending the petition be approved

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

16. An Order approving the Urban Housing Initiative Tax Increment Financing Plan and Zone

### **NEW BUSINESS**

17. A petition from residents of Robbins Ave., Prospect St. and Bradford St., requesting non-renewal of the lease for the community garden at the city-owned vacant lot at the corner of Robbins Ave. and Bradford St.
18. A petition from Daniel Pictrowski requesting the Wednesday concerts at Onota Lake end by 7:00 p.m. or the volume be turned down
19. A petition from Terry Kinnas requesting the City Council consider forming a regional technical vocational school planning organization
20. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the City Council ask the Mayor and School Committee to make an arrangement to use a small portion of the GE land as a lot for the City's school buses
21. A petition from Peter Arlos requesting the City Council ask Congressman Olver to take action to increase the amount of food stamps for low-income families

### **MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27**

#### *Referred to the Committee on Public Works and Utilities*

22. A petition from Al Bertelli and various citizens requesting repair or removal of a curb on Newell Street at the intersection with Parkside Ave.

#### *Referred to the Traffic Commission*

23. A petition from Carl Bowlby requesting enforceable speed limit signs on Egremont Avenue
24. A petition from Gior Witkowski requesting designation of two loading zones in the alley behind 141 North Street

### **PLACED ON FILE**

25. Annual report of the Licensing Board
26. Annual report of the City Solicitor's Office
27. Annual report of the City Clerk's Office