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Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Esther Howland (South) Chamber

Convened: 7:19 P.M.

Recessed: 7:48 P.M.

Reconvened: 9:34 P.M.

Adjourned: 9:54 P.M.

MAYOR

Joseph M. Petty

AT-LARGE COUNCILORS

Morris A. Bergman

Donna M. Colorio

Khrystian E. King

Thu Nguyen

Kathleen M. Toomey



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Sean M. Rose - District 1

Candy Mero-Carlson - District 2

George J. Russell - District 3

Sarai Rivera - District 4

Etel Haxhijaj - District 5

CITY CLERK

Nikolin Vangjeli

CITY MANAGER

Eric D. Batista

CITY AUDITOR

Robert V. Stearns

City Hall - 455 Main Street Worcester, Massachusetts

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. STAR SPANGLED BANNER

3. ROLL CALL - All present with Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio as the Chair, except for Councilor Rose and Mayor Petty. Mayor Petty arrived at 7:37 P.M.

4. PROCLAMATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, MOMENTS OF SILENCE

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 5a. Order - That the City Council of the City of Worcester hereby approves the minutes of the City Council Meeting of May 9, 2023.

Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

6a. Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio read the item and recognized the following speakers:

1. Maureen Uryasz, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #7c CC
2. Frank Callahan, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #12i CC
3. Michael Owusu, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition of item #16l CC
4. Bernadette Forget, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #16l CC
5. Idella Hazard, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #12i CC
6. Christopher Horton, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor or opposed to item #18a CC
7. Grace Ross, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor or opposed to item #18a CC
8. Scott Smith, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #9h CC
9. Victor Fields, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #12i CC

7. HEARINGS AND ORDERS

7a. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location on: BEATRICE DR.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location on: BEATRICE DR.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to open the hearing for items #7a CC and #7b CC. Mayor Petty's motion was approved on a voice vote.

Mayor Petty asked if any abutters wished to be heard on the items. Hearing no speakers, Mayor Petty moved to close the hearings. Mayor Petty's motion was approved on a voice vote.

Mayor Petty moved to adopt the items. Hearing held and Order adopted.

7b. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location on: WINDSOR ST.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location on: WINDSOR ST.

Hearing held and Order adopted (See item #7a CC)

7c. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a pole location on: APRICOT ST.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID for a pole location on: APRICOT ST.

Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio read the item and recognized Councilor Russell, who moved to, "Request City Manager work with the appropriate representatives from the city's various utility companies to ensure representatives from said companies appear in person at City Council meetings whenever a conduit location hearing is scheduled." (See Item #21a CC).

Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.

Tabled Under Privilege – Colorio

8. SUSPENSION OF RULES TO TAKE UP A COMMITTEE REPORT AND OTHER RELATED ITEMS

- 8a.** ORDER of Mayor Joseph M. Petty - As Chair of the City Council Standing Committee on Finance in accordance with Rule 33 (e) of the Rules of City Council, request City Council suspend its rules at its June 6, 2023 meeting to take up the Report of the Committee on Finance Upon the Communication of the City Manager recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets, as presented by the City Manager and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance as Item #10.40A CM on the City Council agenda for May 9, 2023, along with related budget items pending before the Committee.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent)

Note: Refer to the "New Business Under Suspension" section of the agenda to view actions associated with the items reported out of Finance Committee that are referenced in this Order, including Item #21a, which depicts the city's adoption of the FY24 Operating and Capital Budget.

9. PETITIONS

- 9a.** Mark A. Borenstein and Katherine Garrahan, on behalf of Colony Retirement Homes, Inc. and Colony Retirement Homes III, Inc, request Zoning Map be amended by changing the zoning designation of the properties located at 485 Grove St. along with 41 and 101 Chadwick St. from RL-7 and RS-10 to BG-3.0.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #9a CC through #9e CC to Planning Board. Referred to Planning Board

- 9b.** Meletios D. Chacharone request Zoning Map be amended by changing the zoning destination of the properties located at 440, 454 & 474 Grove St. from RL-7 and BG-3.0 to BG-3.0.

Referred to Planning Board (See item #9a CC)

- 9c.** Angel Santos request Zoning Map be amended by changing the zoning destination of the property located at 546 Cambridge St. from RG-5 to MG-2.

Referred to Planning Board (See item #9a CC)

- 9d.** Darren Agyeman request Evelyn St. be made public.

Referred to Planning Board (See item #9a CC)

- 9e.** Darren Agyeman request Narraganset Ave. be made public.

Referred to Planning Board (See item #9a CC)

- 9f.** Ronald G. Falco and Stephen Salocks request abatement of street assessment #25814, in the amount of \$18,248.40 for Delmont Ave.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #9f CC and #9g CC to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee

- 9g. Ronald G. Falco and Stephen Salocks request abatement of street assessment #25815, in the amount of \$18,248.40 for Delmont Ave.
Referred to Public Works Committee (See item #9f CC)
- 9h. Scott Smith request installation of handicap parking space in the vicinity of 50 Vernon St.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #9h CC through #9l CC to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee
- 9i. Rosie Fayard, on behalf of Learning First Charter Public School, request installation of No Parking Here to Curb on both ends of Richland St. on School side.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See item #9h CC)
- 9j. Rosie Fayard, on behalf of Learning First Charter Public School, request installation of No Left Turn 2 - 3 p.m. on School Days signage at the intersection of Ward St., Richland St. and Dorchester St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See item #9h CC)
- 9k. Debra Comtois Davis request installation of roundabout at the intersection of Lake Ave. and Bigelow Davis Pkwy.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See item #9h CC)
- 9l. Pastor Andrew Borden and Jennifer Schanck-Bolwell request installation of crosswalks at the intersection of Whitmarsh Ave. and Leeds St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See item #9h CC)
- 9m. CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location on: SOUTH FLAGG ST.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to set hearings for items #9m CC through #9p CC on June 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Hearing set for June 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.
- 9n. CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location on: PLYMOUTH ST.
Hearing set for June 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. (See item #9m CC)
- 9o. EVERSOURCE for a conduit location on: MORELAND ST.
Hearing set for June 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. (See item #9m CC)
- 9p. NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for a pole location on: MILL ST.
Hearing set for June 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. (See item #9m CC)
- 9q. Terry Kelly request City Council request City Manager consider restoring full use of all public bathrooms, ATMs, phone charging tables and vending machines at the Union Station.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to the City Manager. Referred to the City Manager
- 9r. Wayne Griffin request removal of "Art in the Park" art installations at Elm Park.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to place the item on file. Placed on file

10. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

10.1 APPOINTMENTS

Non-City Council Confirmation

10.2 APPOINTMENTS

City Council Confirmation

A. Recommend the appointment of Joseph Prochilo to the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to confirm the appointment. Confirmed on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent)

10.3 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

William Bagley, Jr., Esq., Director

A. Recommend adoption of a salary ordinance amendment to grant authority to the City Manager to adjust a classification pay grade, if necessary.

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Colorio, who moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.

Tabled Under Privilege – Colorio

10.4 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Peter Dunn, Chief Development Officer

10.5 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Eric D. Batista, City Manager

10.6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS

Administration Division

Jay J. Fink, P.E., Commissioner

10.7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS

Engineering and Architectural Services Division

Jay J. Fink, P.E., Commissioner

10.8 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS

Operations Division

Jay J. Fink, P.E., Commissioner

10.9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS

Parks Division

Robert C. Antonelli, Jr., Assistant Commissioner

10.10 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY

Stephen S. Rolle, P.E., Commissioner

- 10.11 FIRE DEPARTMENT**
Martin Dyer, Fire Chief
- 10.12 POLICE DEPARTMENT**
Steven M. Sargent, Police Chief
- 10.13 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**
Charles R. Goodwin, Director
- 10.14 LAW DEPARTMENT**
Michael E. Traynor, Esq., City Solicitor
- 10.15 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Administration
Christopher P. Spencer, Commissioner
- 10.16 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Building and Zoning Division
David Horne, Deputy Building Commissioner
- 10.17 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Housing and Health Inspections Division
- 10.18 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Administration
Dr. Matilde "Mattie" Castiel, M.D., Commissioner
- 10.19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Public Health
Soloe M. Dennis, MS, MEP, Director
- 10.20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Elder Affairs
Amy Vogel Waters, Director
- 10.21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Human Rights and Accessibility
Jayna L. Turchek, Esq., Director
- 10.22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Veterans Services
Alex R. Arriaga, Veterans' Services Officer/Director

- 10.23 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Youth Services
Raquel Castro-Corazzini, Director

- 10.24 WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**
Jason L. Homer, Executive Director

- 10.25 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**
Cultural Development Division
Fabian Barracks, Cultural Development Officer

- 10.26 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**
Election Commission Division
Nikolin Vangjeli, City Clerk

- 10.27 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**
Rachel Monarrez, Superintendent

- 10.28 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**
Assessing Division
Samuel E. Konieczny, City Assessor

- 10.29 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**
Budget Office Division
Erin E. Taylor, Director

- 10.30 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**
Purchasing Division
Christopher Gagliastro, Director

- 10.31 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**
Treasury and Collections Division
Shaun W. Strobel, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

- 10.32 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES**
Julie A. Lynch, Chief of Public Facilities

- 10.33 DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE**
John W. Odell, Chief Sustainability Officer

- 10.34 DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY**
Michael P. Hamel, Chief Information Officer

10.35 FINANCE ITEMS

Capital Transfers

- A. Recommend that One Hundred Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen Dollars And Twenty Six Cents (\$136,818.26) be transferred from PRJ-100052, Shore Park, and be appropriated to PRJ-100032 Hadwen Park, to fund repairs to the boardwalk following weather related damage to the facility.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take items #10.35A CM, #10.36A CM through #10.36G CM and #10.37A CM collectively.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning item #10.36F CM.

Mayor Petty recognized the Chief Development Officer, who responded questions raised by Councilor King.

Councilor King then moved, "That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby support the city filing, accepting and expending an Urban Agenda Grant to establish an LGBTQIA+ community center in the city." (See Item #21m CC).

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the items. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent)

10.36 FINANCE ITEMS

Grants and Donations

- A. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a Brownsfield Revolving Loan Fund supplemental grant award in the amount of Two Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$2,700,000.00) from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- B. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Nine Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$9,500,000.00) from Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development under the MassWorks program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- C. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$500,000.00) from MassDevelopment under the Underutilized Properties Program program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- D. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$100,000.00) from Department of Housing and Community Development under the Housing Choice Grant Program program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- E. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$50,000.00) from MassDevelopment under the Commonwealth Places program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- F. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$100,000.00) from the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development under the Urban Agenda Grant program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

- G. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$100,000.00) from Department of Housing and Community Development under the Community Planning Grant program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

10.37 FINANCE ITEMS

Operational Transfers

- A. Recommend that One Million Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Five Dollars And No Cents (\$1,330,355.00) be transferred from and to various accounts to provide sufficient funding for departmental operating costs for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2023.

Furthermore, recommend that Seven Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars And No Cents (\$716,700.00) be appropriated within Fund #FD323, Reserve for Appropriation - Greenwood Street Landfill, to fund costs associated with an ongoing environmental compliance project.

Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (See item #10.35A CM)

10.38 FINANCE ITEMS

Prior Year

10.39 FINANCE

Loan Orders

10.40 MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA TRANSMITTALS

11. CHAIRMAN'S ORDERS

- 11a.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION - Request City Manager work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to review the budget formula for components that have not been updated in 5 years.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take items #11a CC through 11s CC collectively.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Haxhiaj, who spoke concerning item #11q CC.

Mayor Petty moved to adopt the items. Order adopted

- 11b.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION - Request City Clerk work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to provide City Council with a copy of the Worcester Public Schools budget presentation.

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11c.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION - Request City Manager work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to provide City Council with a report concerning the legislative agenda and priorities for Worcester Public Schools.

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11d.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a staffing analysis of the Department of Health and Human Services. (King)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11e.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the Recreation Worcester sites for the upcoming 2023 summer. (Mero-Carlson)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11f.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report discussing requested State earmarks. (King)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11g.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide City Council with a report concerning the population growth in the city as it relates to the number of police officers on duty in the city. (Mero-Carlson)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11h.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning resolved lawsuit settlements and their impact on the city's budget. (King)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11i.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request Fire Chief provide City Council with a report concerning the funding allocated to the Fire Department's diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives. (King)

Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11j.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request Fire Chief provide City Council with a report concerning how many of the city's firefighters live in the city. (King)
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11k.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report regarding methods to reduce traffic congestion around Roosevelt Elementary School. Further, request said report include information relative to constructing a parking lot at the school, including estimates associated with its construction, as well as the proximity of the proposed parking lot location to any wetlands. (Russell)
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11l.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a detailed list of all administrative positions in the Worcester Public Schools budget, including each position's salary and a designation of which positions are new. (Toomey)
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11m.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Fire Chief provide City Council with report concerning number of smoke alarms that have been distributed and installed by the Fire Department.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11n.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Director of Emergency Communications and Management distribute promotional flyers relative to volunteering for the Department of Emergency Communications and Management through social networking sites.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11o.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager work with Cable Services and the Director of Emergency Communications and Management to create a video for the purposes of advertising and promoting volunteering for the Department of Emergency Communications and Management.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11p.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Director of Emergency Communications and Management explore available grants for the Disaster Relief Fund.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11q.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with legal opinion concerning any new provisions to the State Health Code as relates to the Mill Street apartment roof collapse.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

- 11r.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Director of Inspectional Services create informational media to promote any new housing codes.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)
- 11s.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager provide City Council with an update concerning the Community Crisis Response Model.
Order adopted (See item #11a CC)

12. ORDERS

- 12a.** Request City Manager request Chief Sustainability Officer consider adopting the Specialized Opt-In Stretch Code to support meeting the states carbon roadmap goals. (Rose)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty
- 12b.** Request City Manager look at best practices used in other municipalities to create an anti-litter campaign. (Rivera)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty
- 12c.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Parks allow for more days of street sweeping on Pleasant St. between Park Ave. and Main St. (Rivera)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty
- 12d.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Parks provide City Council with a report concerning the feasibility of providing city trash bags to businesses and or organizations that are willing to have trash receptacles and be responsible for the care of said receptacles. (Rivera)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty
- 12e.** Request City Manager create a plan where individuals and/or families that receive SNAP benefits are able to receive discounts for city trash bags. (Rivera)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty
- 12f.** Request City Manager create a plan where individuals and/or families that receive SNAP benefits are able to receive discounts for mattress and furniture disposal. (Rivera)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.
Tabled Under Privilege – Petty

- 12g.** Request City Manager create a plan to deal with potential displacements caused from inspections associated with the city's rental registry program where individuals and/or families are found to be living in illegal housing units due to financial limitations, which would add to the city's housing crisis. (Rivera)

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.

Tabled Under Privilege – Petty

- 12h.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a recommendation relative to extending BG-2.0 and RG-5 zoning areas to include Lakeside and the Mill St. corridor, including 195 Mill St., also formerly known as “Big D.” (Haxhiaj)

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted

- 12i.** Request City Manager reengage with the appropriate representatives from Worcester Academy to determine the feasibility of installing a historical marker for Jacob Stroyer on Providence St. in the vicinity of Worcester Academy. Further, request City Manager work with Professor Thomas Doughton to consider making said marker part of the city's Black History Trail. (King)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to amend the item to include the words, “and the Black History Trail Community Group.”

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Russell, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty moved to add the entire City Council as sponsors of the item.

Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item as amended. Order adopted as amended

13. COMMUNICATION OF THE CITY AUDITOR

- 13a.** Transmitting an informational communication relative to the city-wide overtime for the nine (9) months ended March 31, 2023 with a projection for the 4th quarter.

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.

Tabled Under Privilege – King

14. REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

- 14a.** REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD Upon the Petition of Jessica Soto request Wayne St. from Baker St. to Gates Ln. be made public.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept the item. Accepted

15. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- 15a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to the 2022 Worcester Fire Department Annual Report: recommend Communication be placed on file.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept items #15a CC through #15h CC. Accepted

- 15b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the history of personnel, facilities, changes and training as a result from incidents, expanding roles of department, city demographic, and current challenges of the Fire Department: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15c.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to a report listing all recommendations from previous reports concerning line-of-duty deaths and tri-data in order to identify work that has been done and progresses made relative to line-of-duty deaths as they relate to the Fire Department Community Risk Assessment Master Plan for the Worcester Fire Department: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15d.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the accessibility and technical updates of the accreditation process: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15e.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting information communication relative to Emergency Management response and recovery program changes, as submitted by the Director of Emergency Communications and Management: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the emergency response protocol when a building is condemned, as a result of natural disaster, fire, or construction: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to the collaborative efforts between Inspectional Service and the Department of Public Works aimed at finding solutions for dealing with rats and rodents, trash and other nuisance issues: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)
- 15h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to the initiation of a Community Crisis Response Model: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Accepted (See item #15a CC)

16. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING

- 16a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of John Plouffe request installation of No Parking Anytime signage on the even side of Ives St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to advertise the proposed Ordinances associated with items #16a CC through #16bb CC, except for item #16l CC. Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent)
- 16b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Terryann Henry request installation of handicap parking space in front of 100 Plantation St. on the side of Darthmouth St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16c.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Naiskys Hechavarria request removal of handicap parking space in front of 4 Doane St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16d.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Deborah Pavlakos request installation of handicap parking space in front of 1 Berkman's St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16e.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Muktar Yusuf on behalf of Ardo Abdi request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 24 New Vista Ln.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Michael Lapomardo request installation of No Parking Anytime signage at least 5 feet from the left side of the driveway of 21 Adams St., including marked up photo indicating where people are allowed to park: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)

- 16g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Tulio Interiano et al. request installation of No Parking Anytime signage on both sides of parking lot entrance at 7 Camp St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Kathleen Dacri et al. request installation of No Parking Here to Corner signage 30' from stop signs on both sides of Papineau Ave. at the intersection of Papineau Ave. and Heard St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16i.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj on behalf of Matthew Atanian request installation of “No Parking Anytime” signage on the west and south sides of Fairfield St. between May St. and Park Ave., in order to provide adequate street width for safe traffic circulation and emergency access: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16j.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Celeste Burke request installation of handicap parking place in front of 49 Abbott St.; recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Jeanne Manzella request installation of handicap parking space in front of 15 King Philip Rd.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking Upon the Petition of Bernadette Forget request installation of handicap parking space large enough for two vehicles in front of 10 Merrifield St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance
Vice Chairperson Councilor Colorio read the item and moved to Table the Item Under Privilege.

Tabled Under Privilege – Colorio
- 16m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking Upon the Petition of Felix Osafo request installation of handicap parking space on Leon St. opposite of 18 Plantation St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)

- 16n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Michael Dodds request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage ten (10) feet from the driveway of the parking lot between 6 Sever St. and 8 Sever St. (see attached map for reference): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Gisselle Morataya and Denia Teo request installation of no parking anytime across from 2 Lanesboro Rd.: recommend passage of accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Shakira Fuentes request the one (1) hour parking zone in the vicinity of 281 Shrewsbury Street be extended to at least three (3) hours: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16q.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Tamisha James request installation of fifteen (15) minute parking zone on Chandler St. from Murray St. to Main St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16r.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Sarai Rivera on behalf of Ronald Holbrook request installation of a stop sign on the corner of Seymour St. and Millbury St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16s.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Donna M. Colorio request installation of "No Left Turn" signage from Lincoln St. onto Burncoat St. when exiting the inner portion of the triangle where the two roads merge: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16t.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Andrew Martin et al. request installation of No Parking Anytime signage along with 15 minute loading zone signage at 48 Water St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)

- 16u.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Mildred Bailey request installation of stop sign on May St. at the intersection of May St. and Lovell St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16v.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Nicholas Depalma et al. request installation of handicap parking space on Orne St. in the vicinity of 178 Lincoln St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16w.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Martha Dooley request installation of a “No Parking Anytime” signage in front of 59 Spofford Rd.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16x.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Lori Wentworth request installation of handicap parking space in front of Hadwen Park Congregational Church (6 Clover St.) in the vicinity of the church's handicap ramp: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16y.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Stephan and Pamela Williams request installation of No Parking Anytime on Institute Rd. to prevent parking on the south side of Institute Rd. within 20 feet of the intersection with Westland St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16z.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Kevin and Karen Stewart request installation of three (3) stop signs at the intersection of Plantation St. and Ancona Rd.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)
- 16aa.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Stephan Williams request installation of stop signage on Institute Rd. at the intersection with Westland St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)

16bb. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Donna M. Colorio on behalf of William Hurley request installation of a two-way stop sign on Barrett Ave. at its intersection with West Chester St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #16a CC)

16cc. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Donna M. Colorio request a traffic study be completed on Tyson Rd. to determine the appropriateness of installing a truck ban/weight restriction for traffic travelling on the road: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept and adopt the item. Accepted and adopted

17. LOAN ORDER TO BE ADOPTED

17a. That the sum of Seventy Four Million One Hundred Nine Thousand Forty Two Dollars And No Cents (\$74,109,042.00) be appropriated to pay for costs associated with projects and equipment, as approved in the Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Budget.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt items #17a CC through #17c CC. Loan Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent)

17b. That the sum of Fourteen Million Ninety Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$14,090,000.00) is appropriated to Project #PRJ-100124, Sewer Control Plan CSO, to allow the City to obtain financing through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Revolving Fund (SRF) which may include low interest loans as well as principal forgiveness.

Loan Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #17a CC)

17c. That the sum of Six Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$6,200,000.00) is appropriated to Project #PRJ-100129, Sewer Pump Stations, to allow the City to obtain financing through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF), which includes low interest loans as well as the possibility of loan forgiveness.

Loan Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #17a CC)

18. TABLED UNDER PRIVILEGE

- 18a. COMMUNICATION of the City Manager transmitting informational communication on the report for special process servers. (Tabled Under Privilege - Nguyen May 23, 2023)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Nguyen, who moved to Table the Item Under Privilege for a second time.

Councilor Nguyen then moved to, “Request City Manager work with the Police Chief and City Solicitor to meet with members of the Worcester Anti-Foreclosure Team, prior to the next City Council meeting to address concerns and discuss solutions to issues relative to special process servers.” (See Item #21n).

Councilor Nguyen then moved to, “Request City Clerk work with the Worcester Anti-Foreclosure Team to create a petition that captures the dialogue and proposal said team is attempting to discuss relative to special process servers.” (See Item #21o).

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote on Councilor Nguyen’s motion to Table the Item Under Privilege for a second time. Tabled Under Privilege on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent).

Tabled Under Privilege – Nguyen

19. TABLED ITEMS

- 19a. ORDER of Councilor Konstantina B. Lukes - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a legal opinion regarding the process of instituting a residential rent control program and the resulting impact of implementing such a program. (Tabled Under Privilege - Lukes September 17, 2019 and September 24, 2019 and Tabled - Lukes October 15, 2019)

No action taken

- 19b. RESOLUTION of Councilor Khrystian E. King - That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby support Representative Rebecca Rauch and Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz’s SD 699 HD 1283, An Act effectuating equity in COVID-19 Vaccination Bill. (Tabled Under Privilege - Bergman February 9, 2021 and Tabled - Bergman February 23, 2021)

No action taken

- 19c. ORDER of Councilor Sarai Rivera - Request City Manager consider prioritizing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for REC Worcester’s capital project involving the development of the new REC Worcester headquarters and Center for Food Justice and Urban Agriculture (for Worcester and Central Massachusetts), in an effort to support community food security, as well as youth development and employment. (Tabled Under Privilege - Mero-Carlson October 26, 2021 and Tabled Under Privilege - Petty November 9, 2021 and Tabled - Rivera November 16, 2021)

No action taken

19d. CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION - Request City Council work to ensure City Council and School Committee districts are parallel, so as to ensure public clarity. (Tabled Under Privilege - Mero-Carlson May 24, 2022 and June 7, 2022 and Tabled - Petty June 14, 2022)

No action taken

19e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION Upon the Order of Councilor Morris A. Bergman and Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson - Request Standing Committee on Public Service and Transportation Committee hold a public discussion with the WRTA Administrator relative to the removal of a bus route that passes the EcoTarium, 222 Harrington Way: recommend Communication be placed on file. (Tabled Under Privilege - Bergman January 17, 2023 and Tabled Under Privilege - Mero-Carlson January 24, 2023 and Tabled - Mero-Carlson January 31, 2023)

No action taken

19f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION Upon the Order of Councilor Sarai Rivera and Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request Standing Committee on Public Service and Transportation meet with the WRTA Administrator to provide City Council with a report concerning the WRTA's winter weather plan, especially including information as to how snow will be removed at each of the bus stops: recommend Order be placed on file. (Tabled Under Privilege - Bergman January 17, 2023 and Tabled Under Privilege - Mero-Carlson January 24, 2023 and Tabled - Mero-Carlson January 31, 2023)

No action taken

20. BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the May 23, 2023 City Council meeting.

20a. ORDER of Councilor George J. Russell – Request Standing Committee on Public Works meet with the Commissioner of Public Works and Parks and City Solicitor to discuss a policy relative to honorary street naming petitions. – Item #17a CC Referred to Public Works Committee

20b. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Parks ensure passed honorary street name petitions are connected to the city's historically significant document databases, such as the Black History Trail and Art Museum. – Item #17b CC Order adopted

20c. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the capacity, meeting notations and actions of the Worcester Ballpark Commission over the last three (3) years. – Item #17c CC Order adopted

20d. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning how many events at Polar Park the Worcester Ballpark Commission has processed, how the processing of those decisions has been determined, and what events have occurred. – Item #17d CC Order adopted

- 20e. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning barriers associated with hosting concerts within Polar Park, including the potential inability to get certain equipment into the ballpark. – Item #17e CC Order adopted
- 20f. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager determine the feasibility of initiating the first concert at Polar Park while reaching out to Joyner Lucas and his team to determine his capacity for performing at said concert. – Item #17f CC Order adopted
- 20g. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Clerk provide City Council with a report detailing a Rule Change to ensure all city Boards, Commissions divisions and departments receive oversight from a City Council Standing Committee, including the Worcester Ballpark Commission. – Item #17g CC Order adopted
- 20h. ORDER of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson – Request City Manager work with the appropriate representatives from Polar Park to remove the “City of Worcester” designation and items from the suite in the facility. – Item #17h CC Order adopted
- 20i. ORDER of Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey – Request City Manager work with Polar Park management consider renaming the “City of Worcester Suite” in Polar Park to the “Worcester Suite.” – Item #17i CC Order adopted
- 20j. ORDER of Councilor George J. Russell – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the amount of money generated from the Worcester Red Sox renting out the city’s suite at Polar Park since said arrangement began. – Item #17j CC Order adopted

21. NEW BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the June 6, 2023 City Council meeting.

- 21a. Motion Russell @ #7c CC – Request City Manager work with the appropriate representatives from the city’s various utility companies to ensure representatives from said companies appear in person at City Council meetings whenever a conduit location hearing is scheduled.

Order adopted (See item #7c CC)

- 21b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE Upon the Communication of the City Manager recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets: recommend adoption of the two (2) accompanying Orders.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept and adopt the Order relative to the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget. Accepted and adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent).

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to accept and adopt the Order relative to the Fiscal Year 2024 Capital Budget. Accepted and adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent).

- 21c.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager consider working with the City Clerk to secure additional funding for a mailing to educate voters relative to the 2023 Municipal Election in November. (Haxhiaj)
Order adopted
- 21d.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Clerk provide City Council with a report concerning whether there are any languages in the city that are near the threshold that would require the city to translate election materials into said language(s). (Colorio)
Order adopted
- 21e.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report regarding the responses to the Request for Proposals (RFP) relative to the Chief Equity Officer position, as well as the process for awarding said RFP. (King)
Order adopted
- 21f.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a report concerning costs incurred by the city through appealing court judgements. (King)
Order adopted
- 21g.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a report concerning costs incurred by the city through court judgements and settlements made by the city, broken down by the department associated with the settlement. (King)
Order adopted
- 21h.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a report concerning the potential for the city to recoup legal and/or operational costs from monies spent on issues stemming from negligent landlords or property owners. (Russell)
Order adopted
- 21i.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Facilities provide City Council with a report concerning whether the DCU Center will be able to provide net-positive revenues for the city in the future. Further, request said report include information relatives to expenses and reimbursements associated with the emergency COVID-19 hospital at the DCU Center. (Russell)
Order adopted
- 21j.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a biannual report concerning all financial details associated with Polar Park, including but not limited to debt services, revenues and the timing of payments associated with the ballpark. (Russell)
Order adopted

- 21k.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager consider onboarding a clinical social worker, in some capacity, to provide services at the Worcester Public Library. (King)
Order adopted
- 21l.** CHAIRMAN'S ORDER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report responding to news coverage surrounding the finances associated with Polar Park. (Russell)
Order adopted
- 21m.** Motion King @ #10.35A CM – That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby support the city filing, accepting and expending an Urban Agenda Grant to establish an LGBTQIA+ community center in the city.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Rose absent) (See item #10.35A CM)
- 21n.** Motion Nguyen @ #18a CC – Request City Manager work with the Police Chief and City Solicitor to meet with members of the Worcester Anti-Foreclosure Team, prior to the next City Council meeting to address concerns and discuss solutions to issues relative to special process servers.
Order adopted (See item #18a CC)
- 21o.** Motion Nguyen @ #18a CC – Request City Clerk work with the Worcester Anti-Foreclosure Team to create a petition that captures the dialogue and proposal said team is attempting to discuss relative to special process servers.
Order adopted (See item #18a CC)