

AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL
59 COURT STREET
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
FEBRUARY 16, 2017

6:30 PM

Mayor briefing to Full Council of items on current agenda under
"Communications from the Mayor"

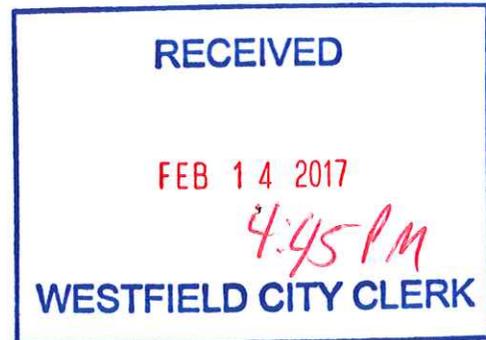
7:00 PM

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Reading of record of meeting of February 2, 2017

Public Participation



Communications from the Mayor

- A. Requesting acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$2,996.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security Department of Fire Services for the FY 2017 Senior S.A.F.E. Program.
- B. Requesting acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$5,641.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security Department of Fire Services for the FY 2017 Student S.A.F.E. Program.
- C. Requesting acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$163,800.00 from the State of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for partial reimbursement of the removal of the Tekoa Reservoir Dam.
- D. Transfer of \$6,000.00 within the Building Department from Full-Time Salary account #12410000-511000 to Purchase of Services account #12410000-520000.
- E. Submitting a Resolution authorizing the Superintendent of Schools to submit a Statement of Interest (SOI) with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) for Accelerate Repair project at Westfield High School.
- F. Submitting a G.L. Disclosure form for Carissa Lisee, Superintendent of Buildings for the City of Westfield on her appointment as the appointed official of the City to the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities.
- G. Submitting a G. L. Disclosure form for Cindy Santiago, employee of the Health Department who took minutes on January 24, 2017 for the Conservation Commission.
- H. Submitting the appointment of Alan Sudentas, 108 Thomas Street as a member of the Council on Aging, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2020, replacing Alice Dawicki.
- I. Submitting the reappointment of Elizabeth Boucher, 150 Hillside Road Unit 6 as a member of the Council on Aging, for a term to expire on the first Monday of February, 2020.
- J. Submitting the reappointment of Kimberly Irzyk, 47 Claremont Street as a

member of the Park and Recreation Commission, for a term to expire on the first Monday of February, 2020.

- K. Submitting the reappointment of Vincent Olinski, 34 ½ Noble Avenue as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission, for a term to expire on the first Monday of February, 2020.
- L. Submitting the reappointment of Robert Veronesi, 24 Heritage Lane as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission, for a term to expire on the first Monday of February, 2020.
- M. Submitting the reappointment of Jack Campaniello, 28 Christopher Drive as a member of the Public Works Board, for a term to expire on the first Monday of February, 2020.
- N. Requesting permission to serve beer and wine and to waive the "open container" regulation on Elm Street, from Main Street to Franklin Street, on Saturday, May 20th, 2017 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 PM for the Run Westfield 5K Kooldown Block Party.

Reports of City Officers

Petitions, Remonstrances and Other Papers

- A. PUBLIC HEARING on an application for a zoning amendment at Section 2-20.1 relative to the definition of companion animal or pet.
- B. Mr. Rob Levesque of R Levesque Associates Inc submitting an application for an amendment to a City Council Special Permit issued on 9/25/15 to amend condition #2 regarding the lumberyard hours of operation of Boise Cascade to allow for 24 hour operation for his client Mr. Ronald Schortmann.
- C. City Planner Jay Vinskey submitting a positive recommendation for the zone change at 89 Sgt. T.M. Dion Way from Industrial A to Airport.
- D. City Planner Jay Vinskey submitting a positive recommendation for the zoning ordinance change for the definition of companion animal or pet at Section 2-20.1.

Reports of Committees

- A. Finance Committee:
 - 1. 11/5/15 Capital Improvement Plan for 2016-2020. REMAIN IN COMMITTEE 1/7/16 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE 1/21/16 3/3/16 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE
 - 2. 2/4/16 five year budget plan in Long Range Financial Overview Committee items be REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE. 2/18/16 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE 3/3/16 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE 4/7/16 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE; 1/19/17 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE
 - 3. The matter of the Westfield G & E PILOT
 - 4. Fee adjustments for FY17
 - 5. Appropriation of \$250,000.00 from Community Preservation Undesignated (Reserve Balance) account #2410-340000 to the CPA Hotel Bismark Façade account #24101770-580200-5119.
 - 6. Appropriation of \$180,000.00 from Undesignated Fund account #6850-359000 to Public Works Department, Stormwater Division, as follows: \$160,000.00 to Purchase of Services account #68504550-520000 and

\$20,000.00 to Supplies account #68504550-540000.

7. Appropriation of \$745,460.00 from Undesignated Fund account #6800-359000 to Public Works Department, Water Division to the following:
 - a. \$641,720.00, Purchase of Services account #68004500-520000;
 - b. \$ 19,000.00, Supplies account #68004500-540000;
 - c. \$ 46,000.00, Capital Equipment account #68004500-585000;
 - d. \$ 3,740.00, Small Equipment account #68004500-585500;
 - e. \$ 35,000.00, Equipment / Vehicle #68004500-585001.
8. Motion of Councilor Flaherty requesting the Audit Department to provide the Finance Committee, prior to February 10th, with a three-year history of revenues related to Comcast's License and Franchise fees, and a corresponding report detailing how the money was spent. Refer to Audit Department and Finance Committee.
9. Motion of Councilor Flaherty requesting the Law Department to provide the Finance Committee with copies of contracts between the City of Westfield and Comcast. Refer to Law Department and Finance Committee.
10. Motion of Councilor Flaherty requested the Law Department to provide the Finance Committee with copies of contracts between the City of Westfield and the Westfield State University, and/or any other party, related to Local Access Television and the so-called "Community Radio".2/2/17 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE
11. Appropriation of \$170,000.00 from DPW, Wastewater Division Undesignated Fund account #6700-359000 to DPW, Wastewater Division, Purchase of Services account #67004400-520000.
12. Transfer of \$492.00 within the Community Preservation from Supply account #24101770-540000 to Overtime account #24101770-513000.
13. Transfer of \$4,208.55 from Health Department, Part-Time Hourly account #15100000-511110 to Community Development, Part-Time Hourly account #11820000-511110.
14. Transfer of \$10,000.00 within the Police Department Animal Control account from the following:
 - a. \$5,687.95, Full Time Salary account #12920000-511000
 - b. \$1,669.55, Animal Control Overtime #12920000-513000
 - c. \$2,642.50, Animal Control Out of Grade #12920000-514200to the following:
 - a. \$9,000.00, Animal Control Purchase of Services #12920000-520000
 - b. \$1,000.00, Animal Control Supplies #12920000-540000.

B. Legislative and Ordinance Committee:

1. On 10-16-14, an ordinance change for Chapter 13, Article VII, Section 3-212 amending the vacancy in offices; duties of Tree Warden.
2. On 9-15-16, a motion by Councilors, Flaherty, Allie, O'Connell, and Surprise, that an investigation of making the western-most sidewalk on the Great River Bridge a dedicated bike lane, while leaving the other three sidewalks across the bridge as pedestrian only.
3. From the Traffic Commission, Chapter 17, Section 17-82, speed limits on Honey Pot Road at 25 Miles per Hour for the entire length.
4. From ZPD Zone change application 710 Southampton Road from Business

A and Rural Residential to expand Business A and change from rural residential to Residential A.

C. Zoning, Planning and Development Committee:

1. Amendment to ordinance regarding notification of property owners of a zone change
2. Application submitted by the City of Westfield, Airport Commission applying for a zone change at 89 Sgt. T.M. Dion Way from Industrial A to Airport District

Unfinished Business

A. Second Reading and Final Passage of the following:

1. Bond Order entitled "A BOND ORDER FOR WHIP CITY FIBER EXPANSION" (\$15,000,000.00)
2. Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 17, Section 17-89 amended to add under subsection (a) Engine Brakes at Western Avenue, Upper Western Avenue and Paper Mill Road)
3. Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 17, Section 17-115 No Parking Holland Avenue and Root Road)
4. Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 12, Section 12-7 Unclassified Service, Councilors' salary increase by \$3,000.00 in 2018 with graduated increase to \$15,000.00 in 2026)

Motions, Orders or Resolutions

- A. Motion of Councilors O'Connell, Babinski, Onyski, Beltrandi and Bean relative to submitting a Resolution to the Senate and House of Representatives for Home Rule Petition to categorize all current private ways as public ways.
- B. Motion of Councilor Harris relative to Public Participation up to 3 minutes per person as currently allowed but to eliminate any extension of time limit.