



AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL (TELECONFERENCE)

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
JANUARY 21, 2021 AT 7:00 PM

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WESTFIELD CITY CLERK

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ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF RECORD OF MEETINGS OF January 7, 2021 Special meeting with MLB and January 7, 2021 regular meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Appropriation of \$1,000,000.00 from Stabilization account #8303-397000 to the Engineering Department, Construction account #14110000-589200 for the following construction projects:
 - \$430,000.00 Pave - City View Boulevard
 - \$300,000.00 Pave - Hillside Road
 - \$270,000.00 Reconstruct - Union Street Sidewalks
2. Appropriation of \$46,028.00 from the Stabilization account #8303-397000 (other financing uses) to the Technology Center as follows:
 - Allocation for one technician position
 - \$15,175.00 to Full Time Salary account #11550000-511000
 - \$222.00 to Travel stipend account #11550000-519061
 - Allocation to Part-time hourly position
 - \$8,000.00 to Part Time Hourly account #11550000-511110
 - Allocation to one database admin position
 - \$22,520 to Full Time Salary account #11550000-511000
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3. Submitting the reappointment of John Niedzielski, 28 Heritage Lane, as a member of the Water Commission for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2024.
4. Submitting the reappointment of Thomas H. Pereira, 150 Hillside Road, as a member of the Board of Public Works for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2024.
5. Submitting the reappointment of Sara Unger, 24 Kane Brothers Circle, as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, Ward 1, for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2024.
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9. City Engineer Mark Cressotti present to address the Council relative to the Annual Engineering Report for 2020.
10. Acting Director of Department of Public Works Fran Cain submitting a presentation from Deputy Superintendent of the Wastewater Division regarding the financial situation of the department and the necessity for an adjustment to the current fee structure.
11. Update from Health Director Joe Rouse

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND OTHER PAPERS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

12. Acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 from Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the Department of Public Works for the Urban Forest Enhancements.
13. Request to waive the Zoning and Permit Fee pertaining to the proposed addition to the Boys and Girls Club.

Legislative and Ordinance Committee

14. Order appropriating the sum of \$37,040.00 from the Engineering Construction account #14110000-589200 for the taking of real estate by right of eminent domain for the Western Avenue Roadway Reconstruction-East (Phase 2)
Order of taking of real estate by right of eminent domain for the Western Avenue Roadway Reconstruction-East (Phase 2).

15. Ordinance amendments as requested by Capt. McCabe, Chair of the Traffic Commission: Chapter 17-82 Speed Limits by adding the following: (c) Thirty miles per hour. Holyoke Road, both directions from 65 Holyoke Road to 325 Holyoke Road; Chapter 17-82 Speed Limits by adding the following: (d) Thirty-five miles per hour. Western Avenue, both directions from the intersection of Granville Road to the intersection of Bates Road. Chapter 17-115 Parking Prohibited at all times on certain streets by adding Kellogg Street: No Parking northbound from Franklin Street for a distance of 150 feet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

16. RECONSIDERATION of a transfer of \$150,000.00 from the Ambulance Receipts Reserve account #2100-340000 to Ambulance, Purchase of Services account #21002310-520000.

MOTIONS, ORDERS OR RESOLUTIONS

17. Motion of Councilors Matthews-Kane, Mello, and Sullivan to ask Mayor Humason:
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