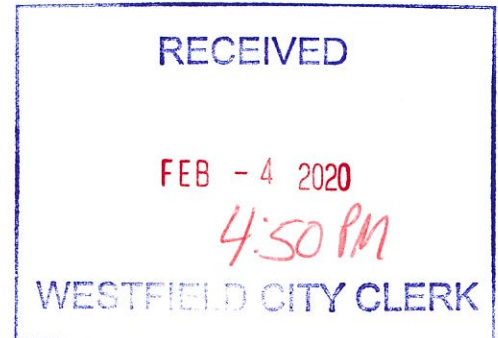




## AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL

59 COURT STREET  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
FEBRUARY 06, 2020 AT 7:00 PM



ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF RECORD OF MEETING OF January 16, 2020

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Requesting immediate consideration and approval of a Resolution approving and accepting grant funding for the maintenance and repair of war memorials in the City of Westfield in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Department of Veterans' Services of Massachusetts to the Veterans' Services Department of the City of Westfield.
2. Requesting immediate consideration and approval of a Resolution approving and accepting grant funding for Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) in the City of Westfield in the amount of \$32,000.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the Planning Department.
3. Requesting immediate consideration and approval of a Resolution approving and accepting grant funding for mattress recycling in the City of Westfield in the amount of \$61,804.00 from the Massachusetts DEP to the Health Department.
4. Requesting immediate consideration of an appropriation of \$50,000.00 from Free Cash to the Law Department, Purchase of Services account #11510000-520000 for labor counsel and other costs of litigation.
5. Requesting immediate consideration on the acceptance of the proposed job description for the vacant Airport Manager's position.
6. Requesting immediate consideration and approval of a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute Preservation Restriction for the Westfield Athenaeum.
7. Appropriation of \$31,200.00 from Free Cash to Assessor's Office, Purchase of Services account #11410000-520000 for updated assessment software.
8. Appropriation of \$97,700.00 from Free Cash to the following: \$40,000.00 to Police Department, Plants/Capital account #12100000-583000; \$10,700.00 to Police Department, Purchase of Services account #12100000-520000; \$47,000.00 to Police Department, Vehicle account #12100000-585001.
9. Appropriation of \$69,667.21 from Free Cash to Fire Department, Equipment Vehicles account #12200000-585001.

10. Appropriation of \$469,889.92 from the Fire Department, Ambulance Designated Fund Balance, account #2100-340000 to Fire Department, Ambulance Vehicle account #21002310-585001.
11. Appropriation of \$1,624.74 from Free Cash to City Council, Salary account #11110000-512300.
12. Submitting the reappointment of Elizabeth Boucher, 150 Hillside Road, Unit 6 as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2023.
13. Submitting the reappointment of Alan Sudentas, 108 Thomas Street as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire the first Monday of February, 2023.

#### **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

14. City Clerk Karen Fanion submitting the Order for Polling Locations for the 2020 Elections
15. City Clerk Karen Fanion submitting the Order for the Call of the Presidential Primary Election to be held March 3, 2020.
16. City Clerk Karen Fanion submitting the Order for the Call of the Special State Primary Election to be held March 3, 2020.
17. City Engineer Mark Cressotti to address the Council and submit the 2019 Engineering Department Annual Report.
18. Councilor Figy, liaison to the School Committee, presenting an update from the Superintendent.

#### **PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND OTHER PAPERS**

19. Zone Change petition for 150 Tannery Road (Map 144 Parcel 4 and Parcel 38) from Rural Residential (RR) to Residence B (RB) submitted by Sarah A. Kannas and Brian H. Seibert (#C-55-20).
20. Submitting a petition for a Zoning Amendment at Section 1-10.2 to give broader authority to the Building Department to require more detailed information (specifically site grading) as part of the building permit process submitted by the Planning Board (#C-256-20). (time lapsed on previous submission)
21. Submitting a petition for a Zoning Amendment petition submitted by the Planning Board to amend Section 4-90 to strengthen regulation of marijuana establishments by requiring special permit if within 500 feet of a park (#257-20). (time lapsed on previous submission)
22. Petition for Street Acceptance and Betterment for Sherman Street Ext.

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

##### Finance Committee

23. That an updated Capital Plan Excel spreadsheet be delivered to the City Council on or before the first City Council meeting in March 2018 (1/8/18)

24. That the City of Westfield investigate procedures for joining the Municipal Open Checkbook System administered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (6/21/18)
25. Appropriation of \$200,000.00 from Fire Department, Ambulance Designated account within the Ambulance Receipt Reserved Fund account #2100-340000 to Fire Department, Ambulance Overtime account #21002310-513000.(1/16/20)
26. Appropriation of \$12,537.31 from Free Cash to Police, Motor Vehicle account #12100000-585001.(1/16/20)
27. Appropriation of \$34,395.00 from the Police Department Special Towing and Storage of Motor Vehicles account #2400-330210 to Police Department account for Towing and Storage account #24210714-585001. (1/16/20)
28. Appropriation of \$40,000.00 from the PEG Undesignated fund to PEG Access & Cable Fund, Purchase of Services account #21106940-520000, per agreement between Westfield State University and the City of Westfield signed October 2019.(1/16/20)
29. Submitting a Resolution authorizing a funding agreement with the Westfield Redevelopment Authority (WRA) to allow the WRA to access funds budgeted for FY2020 to advance the Elm Street Urban Renewal Project. (1/16/20)

#### Legislative and Ordinance Committee

30. Submitting a Resolution accepting drainage easements to the properties located at 74 Crescent Circle, 68 Crescent Circle and 62 Crescent Circle. (1/16/20)
31. Amend Chapter 11 Community Services, Article II Public Parks relative to the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail (5/1/14)
32. Resolution creating a gift account for the funds received for the Columbia Greenway Rail Trail donations (6/16/16)
33. Examine or reexamine the real estate tax exemption allowed by law for those over 65 years of age with intent of increasing that exemption (MGL 59 Sections 5, 17, 41-41C and any other laws pertaining to this exemption. (1/19/17)
34. That Charter and Rules Committee review the current City Council rules, collect suggestions for edits from City Councilors and make recommendations for revisions. (1/8/18)
35. Than an Ordinance regarding road repairs be established. 5/17/18
36. That the Abutter Notification zoning ordinance at Section Article 1, Section 1-40.3-Mailing of Notices be strengthened. (12/6/18)

#### License Committee

37. Fuel storage permit as applied by Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) to be located at Massachusetts Turnpike Westbound MM 41/Sgt. T.M. Dion Way to be used at the Maintenance Depot/State Police Barracks.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## MOTIONS, ORDERS OR RESOLUTIONS

38. Motion of Councilor Figy to review and possibly increase the rate of compensation for the members of the Westfield School Committee according to Ordinance 1279, and refer to L&O and Legal.
39. Motion of Councilor Onyski to request Law Department to review and advise on the procedure to rename a private way in the City.
40. Motion of Councilors Adams, Figy and Sullivan to ask Mayor Don Humason to put together a group process to start the process of building a new Police Station, determine cost, sight and funding.
41. Motion of Councilor Flaherty and Figy requesting the Mayor to publish the 2020 Budget Schedule by February 24th. Refer to Mayor's Office.
42. Motion of Councilors Flaherty and Figy requesting that the Capital Plan be updated by the first City Council Meeting in May. Such plan should include edits and status updates for items that were listed on the most recent Capital Plan; any publicly discussed capital projects such as road repairs, dam and levy repairs, new buildings or major building renovations, new recreation facilities or major renovation or recreational facilities, new vehicles; and, any other known or likely capital projects with an estimated cost in excess of \$50,000. Refer to Mayor's Office, City Auditor, City Treasurer, Finance Committee, and Long-Range Finance Committee.