



AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL

59 COURT STREET
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
APRIL 06, 2023 AT 7:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF RECORD OF MEETING OF March 16, 2023.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Requesting Acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Aeronautics Division to the Westfield Barnes Regional Airport to partially fund a feasibility study for the Taxiway B project.
2. Appropriation of \$198,746.70 from Free Cash (1000-359000) to The Police Department Purchase of Service Account #12100000-520000 to fund capital improvements to the Police Station.
3. Appropriation of \$68,289.00 from Free Cash (1000-359000) to the Technology Center Replacement Equipment Account #11550000-587000 to fund the replacement of 65 desktops and monitors located primarily in City Hall.
4. Appropriation of \$5,939.00 from Free Cash Account (1000-359000) to the Department of Public Works, Parks and Recreation Purchase of Service Account #16300000-520000 to repair the flagpole at Park Square.
5. Transfer of \$30,000.00 within the Airport Department from the FT Hourly Account #11990000-511100 to Replacement Equipment #11990000-578000 for upgrades to the airport-wide security camera system.
6. Transfer of \$15,000.00 from the Public Communications FT Salary Account #12250000-511000 to the Fire Department Overtime Account #12200000-513000 to fund staffing at the Westfield International Airshow taking place May 13-14, 2023.
7. Submitting a Confirmatory Order of Discontinuance for a portion of Union Street, so called, as a City Way.
8. Submitting a Resolution to Apply for, Accept and Expend a Grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Division of Conservation Services' Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (Land) Grant Program for the Tekoa Narrows Conservation Area.
9. Submitting the Mayor's objections to Resolution 3151, entitled "Appointing Authority to Set Salary".

10. Submitting a change to the job description for the Department of Public Works Director.
11. Submitting the appointment of Kenneth Gustafon, 9 Michael Drive as a member of the Off Street Parking Commission for a term to expire in February, 2024, replacing John Regan.
12. Submitting the appointment of Ed Finnie, 295 Munger Hill Road as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term to expire February, 2026, replacing Alex Fagnand.
13. Submitting the reappointment of Lenore Bernashe, 100 South Street, Granby MA as Information Technology Manager for a term to expire July 6, 2026.
14. Submitting the appointment of Seth Barber as a member of the Youth Commission for a term to expire February, 2026.
15. Submitting the appointment of Teagan Chisholm-Godshalk as a member of the Youth Commission for a term to expire February, 2026.
16. Submitting the appointment of Jack Knapik as member of the Youth Commission for a Term to expire February, 2026.
17. Submitting the appointment of Thomas Knapik as member of the Youth Commission for a Term to expire February, 2026.
18. Requesting approval for permission to serve beer and wine and to waive the "open container" regulation in the Central Street Parking Lot, for the 5th Annual Whip City Brewfest, on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

19. Purchasing Director Tammy Tefft, 371 College Highway, Southamptton, MA submitting a request for reappointment for a term to expire July 4, 2026.
20. First Assistant City Solicitor Shanna Reed submitting the following Ordinance amendments as requested by Sergeant Mejias, Chair of the Traffic Commission: Chapter 17-115 Parking Prohibited at all times on certain streets by adding Kellogg Street, West Side from Orange Street, beyond Belmont Street to the base of the dike; Chapter 17-73 Stop Intersections Designation by adding the following: Foss Street, northbound at Lawton Avenue, Angelica Drive, westbound at Northwest Road and Old Quarry Road, eastbound at Northwest Road.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND OTHER PAPERS

21. Camile Hannoush, Inc., 99 Springfield Road, Suite 2, Camile A. Hannoush (owner), applying for Junk Dealer and Junk Collector licenses.
22. PUBLIC HEARING on a petition for a zoning amendment submitted by Councilor Onyski to amend the zoning ordinance at Sec. 4-121 to exempt certain fixtures from the exterior lighting standards.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Finance Committee

23. Request to Approve the Successor Agreement between the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Council 93 Local 1676 Foremen Union and the City of Westfield and to appropriate the total amount of \$12,189.02 from the General Fund Reserve for Future Salary Increases (19500000-519999) to the Department of Public Works Land and Natural Resources FT Salary account (14990000-511000) in the amount of \$4,010.18 and to the Highway FT Salary account (14210000-511000) in the amount of \$8,178.84.
24. Requesting acceptance of a Grant in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 from the State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) to the Department of Public Works, Wastewater Division for the construction of a new Operations Building at the Water Recovery Facility.
25. Submitting a Bond Order in the amount of \$3,250,000.00 to the Department of Public Works, Wastewater Division for the construction of a new Operations Building at the Water Recovery Facility.
26. Appropriation of \$130,000.00 from Free Cash Account (1000-359000) to the Department of Public Works Highway Division Supplies Account #14210000-540000 for upgrades for standard roadway structures.

Legislative and Ordinance Committee

27. Requesting acceptance of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Westfield and City of Northampton regarding the integrated bike share system, ValleyBike.

Personnel Action Committee

28. Reappointment of Kate Phelon, 150 Hillside Road as a member of the Airport Commission for a term to expire in February, 2026.
29. Appointment of Finn Chisholm-Godshalk to the Youth Commission for a term to expire in February, 2026.
30. Appointment of Jillian Battles to the Youth Commission for a term to expire in February, 2026.
31. Appointment of Lincoln VanHeynigen to the Youth Commission for a term to expire in February, 2026.

Ad Hoc Charter Review Committee

32. Motion to recommend submission of the Amended Version of Charter of the City of Westfield to the House and Senate for processing as a Special Act.

License Committee

33. MJ's Buy Sell Trade, 24 North Elm Street, Michael Ventrice (owner) applying for Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

34. TABLED: An Order Transferring Care, Custody, Management and Control of the Skate Park property on 28 West Silver Street (behind Westfield Middle School) from the School Committee to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
35. SECOND READING and FINAL PASSAGE of "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, APPENDIX B-ZONING,

ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 3, 1987" (To expand the demolition delay for properties of historical significance by extending the wait time for the issuance of a demolition permit from 90 days to 180 days).

36. SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE of a Bond Order in the amount of \$2,500,000.00 for HVAC Upgrades to the Blower Sludge Processing Building at the Wastewater Treatment Facility.