



City Council

Hearings Meeting

~ Final ~

36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103
<http://www.springfieldcityhall.com>

Gladys Oyola-Lopez

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

7:00 PM

Hybrid Council Chamber

Hearings

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on September 24, 2024 at Hybrid Council Chamber, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Kateri B. Walsh	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Jose Delgado	City Councilor	Absent	
Lavar Click-Bruce	Ward 5 City Councilor	Remote	
Zaida Govan	Ward 8 City Councilor	Absent	
Malo Brown	Ward 4 Councilor	Remote	
Victor Davila	Ward 6 Councilor	Present	
Sean Curran	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Brian Santaniello	City Councilor	Remote	
Melvin A. Edwards	Ward 3 Councilor	Present	
Tracye Whitfield	At Large City Councilor	Present	
Maria Perez	Ward 1 City Councilor	Remote	
Michael A. Fenton	President	Present	

Moment of Silence - Pledge of Allegiance

Petitions

1. Petition (ID # 8256)

Traffic Control Agreement Sumner Ave

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

COUNCILOR DAVILA ASKED FOR A SUMMARY OF THE PETITION

COUNCILOR SANTANIELLO ASKED ABOUT BIKE LANES AND LED LIGHTING ON THE SUMNER AVENUE PROJECT.

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI GAVE AN EXPLANATION.

RESULT:	APPROVED [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton
ABSENT:	Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

2. Petition (ID # 8245)

Honorary Street Sign - Dillinger's Way

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

ATTACHMENTS:

- 24- 25 Honorary St. Request Applicaiton 9-3-2024 (PDF)

RESULT: APPROVED [11 TO 0]**AYES:** Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton**ABSENT:** Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan**3. Petition (ID # 8246)**

Gillette Ave. - Stop Sign

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FENTON ASKED FOR ITEMS 3-6 TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD AND TAKEN IN ONE VOTE WITH NO OBJECTION.

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

ATTACHMENTS:

- 24-26 Gillete Ave. Stop Sign (PDF)
- 24-26 (PDF)
- 24-26 Gillette Ave. Stop Sign (PDF)

RESULT: APPROVED [11 TO 0]**AYES:** Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton**ABSENT:** Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan**4. Petition (ID # 8247)**

Farnsworth St. - Stop Sign

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FENTON ASKED FOR ITEMS 3-6 TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD AND TAKEN IN ONE VOTE WITH NO OBJECTION.

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

ATTACHMENTS:

- 24-27 Farnsworth St. Stop Sign (PDF)
- 24-27 (PDF)

RESULT: APPROVED [11 TO 0]**AYES:** Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton**ABSENT:** Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan**5. Petition (ID # 8248)**

Catharine St.-- Stop Sign

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FENTON ASKED FOR ITEMS 3-6 TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD AND TAKEN IN ONE VOTE WITH NO OBJECTION.

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

ATTACHMENTS:

- 24-29 Catharine St. Stop Sign (PDF)
- 24-29 (PDF)

RESULT: **APPROVED [11 TO 0]**

AYES: Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton

ABSENT: Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

6. Petition (ID # 8250)

White Street- " No Parking Any Time"

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT FENTON ASKED FOR ITEMS 3-6 TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD AND TAKEN IN ONE VOTE WITH NO OBJECTION.

DIRECTOR CIGNOLI SPOKE ON THE PETITION

ATTACHMENTS:

- ORDER 24-28 NO PARKING (PDF)
- 24-28 (PDF)

RESULT: **APPROVED [11 TO 0]**

AYES: Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton

ABSENT: Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

Special Permits

7. Special Permit (ID # 8182)

For a Special Permit to Operate an Equipment/Auto Repair and Junk Yard at the Property Known as 298 Rocus Street (10330-0068) (Book#7703/Page#1), as Allowed by M.G.L. and the Springfield Zoning Ordinance Article 4, Table 4-4, Section 12.3(4) and 12.6.

Request:	See Above
Owner:	Roman J. Madeja/Myron B. Madeja
By:	Roman J. Madeja/Myron B. Madeja
Petitioner:	Roman J. Madeja/Myron B. Madeja
By:	Roman J. Madeja/Myron B. Madeja

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

JARED GLASSER SPOKE ON THE PETITION ON BEHALF OF THE PETITIONERS ROMAN AND MYRON MADEJA.

ATTORNEY GLASSER GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE SPECIAL PERMIT AND NOTED THE PREVIOUS PASSAGE OF THE PERMIT THAT WAS NOT COMPLETED DUE TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT IN 2006 BY THE PETITIONERS.

KATHY BROWN, PRESIDENT OF THE ESNC, SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE PERMIT.

MRS. BROWN REQUEST THAT THE WORDS MAINTENANCE BE ADDED AFTER "INSTALLATION OF A 6FT FENCE" ON THE CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT.

ADDITIONALLY OVERGROWN VEGETATION ON THE TREE BELT SHOULD BE MAINTAINED.

COUNCILOR DAVILA ASKED IF THE OWNERS HAVE BEEN OPERATING THE BUSINESS WITHOUT A PERMIT AND WHAT PROMPTED THE PETITIONERS TO COME BACK BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

COUNCILOR WHITFIELD NOTED SHE IS GLAD THAT PETITIONERS HAVE COME BACK BEFORE THE COUNCIL TO CORRECT THEIR BUSINESS RECORD.

COUNCILOR WALSH REITERATED THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS RECOMMENDATION FOR A FENCE. SHE COMMENDED THE PETITIONERS AND NOTED HER SUPPORT FOR THE SPECIAL PERMIT.

COUNCILOR CURRAN MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE PERMIT WITH THE AMENDED LANGUAGE FOR CONDITION #4 BY ADDING THE WORDS "AND MAINTAINED" AFTER THE WORD INSTALLED.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Rocus_298_Tax_Formal (PDF)
- Rocus_St_298_2024 (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton
ABSENT:	Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

On the Reasons

COUNCILORS WALSH, ALLEN, CLICK-BRUCE, BROWN, DAVILA, CURRAN, SANTANIELLO, EDWARDS, WHITFIELD, PEREZ AND FENTON VOTED TO APPROVE THE REASONS.

COUNCILORS DELGADO AND GOVAN WERE ABSENT.

8. Special Permit (ID # 8189)

To Amend an Existing Special Permit (Motor Vehicles Sales), Granted January 1996 by Allowing a Change in the Petitioner, at the Property Known as 289-291 Mill Street (08675-

0100) (Book#16031 & 05623/Page#0197 & 0146), as Allowed by M.G.L. and the Springfield Zoning Ordinance Article 4, Table 4-4, Section 12.3(1).

Request: See Above
Owner: Ricardo Miranda
By: Ricardo Miranda
Petitioner: Aleksandr Chuduk
By: Aleksandr Chuduk

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

ALEKSANDR CHUDUK, COLLEGE HIGHWAY, PETITIONER SPOKE ON THE CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP TO THE PROPERTY.

COUNCILOR EDWARDS NOTED THAT THE PETITIONER DID REACH OUT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AND NOTED THAT THE NEW OWNER WOULD BE FOLLOWING THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH ON THE ORIGINAL SPECIAL PERMIT.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Mill_St_289_291_Tax_Formal (PDF)
- Mill_St_289_2024 (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED [11 TO 0]

AYES: Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton

ABSENT: Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

On the Reasons

COUNCILORS WALSH, ALLEN, CLICK-BRUCE, BROWN, DAVILA, CURRAN, SANTANIELLO, EDWARDS, WHITFIELD, PEREZ AND FENTON VOTED TO APPROVE THE REASONS.

COUNCILORS DELGADO AND GOVAN WERE ABSENT.

9. Special Permit (ID # 8193)

1387 Boston Road

Request: See Above
Owner: HR Twenty Corporation c/o United Capital
By: Andrew Kasman
Petitioner: Community Bank c/o NES Group, Inc.
By: Kurt Pomeranke

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

KURT POMERENKE SPOKE ON THE ITEM.

ANDREW KASMAN, NES GROUP, SPOKE ON THE ITEM.

COUNCILOR ALLEN ASKED FOR THE TIME FRAME ON THE PROJECT AND FOR DETAILS ON THE DEMOLITION. MR. KASMAN RESPONDED.

COUNCILOR SANTANIELLO AND COUNCILOR WHITFIELD NOTED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE SPECIAL PERMIT.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Boston_Rd_1387_Tax_Formal (PDF)
- Boston_Rd_1387_2024 (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton
ABSENT:	Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan

On the Reasons

COUNCILORS WALSH, ALLEN, CLICK-BRUCE, BROWN, DAVILA, CURRAN, SANTANIELLO, EDWARDS, WHITFIELD, PEREZ AND FENTON VOTED TO APPROVE THE REASONS.

COUNCILORS DELGADO AND GOVAN WERE ABSENT.

Zoning Changes

10. Zoning Change (ID # 8172)

To Change the Zoning of the Property Known as WS Connecticut Avenue (03130-0047) from Residence a to Residence B.

PETITIONER:	Viktor Savonin
ADDRESS:	WS Connecticut Avenue
CHANGE REQUESTED:	Residence A to Residence B

HISTORY:

08/21/24	City Planning Board	DENIED
09/16/24	City Council	RECEIVED 1ST STEP

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

THE PETITIONER ASKED FOR THE ITEM TO BE CONTINUED DUE TO A FAMILY EMERGENCY. COUNCILOR DAVILA MADE A MOTION TO CONTINUE TO OCTOBER 28, 2024. COUNCILOR WHITFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION.

COUNCILORS WALSH, ALLEN, CLICK-BRUCE, BROWN, DAVILA, CURRAN, SANTANIELLO, EDWARDS, WHITFIELD, PEREZ AND FENTON VOTED IN FAVOR OF CONTINUANCE.

COUNCILORS DELGADO AND GOVAN WERE ABSENT.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 3247_WS_Conn_Ave_2024_Revised (PDF)
- 3247_WS_Connecticut_Ave_2024_PB_Report (PDF)

RESULT: CONTINUE VOTE

Next: 10/28/2024 7:00 PM

11. Zoning Change (ID # 8173)

To Change the Zoning of the Property Known as SS Wisteria Street (12413-0048) from Residence a to Residence B.

PETITIONER: JETS Property Development, LLC

ADDRESS: SS Wisteria Street

CHANGE REQUESTED: Residence A to Residence B

HISTORY:

08/21/24 City Planning Board **CONTINUE**
Next: 09/04/24

09/04/24 City Planning Board **APPROVED**

09/16/24 City Council **RECEIVED 1ST STEP**

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

COUNCILOR WHITFIELD ASKED TO BE MARKED AS RECUSED DUE TO HER
JELANI BLAND, 500 OCEAN AVE REVERE MASSACHUSETTS, SPOKE ON THE ITEM.

COUNCILOR ALLEN ASKED IF A LETTER HAD BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. COUNCILOR FENTON NOTED THAT THE PINE POINT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL HAS SUBMITTED A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE ZONE CHANGE.

COUNCILORS, DAVILA, CLICK-BRUCE AND COUNCILOR PEREZ NOTED THE NEED FOR HOUSING AND ALSO THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE ZONE CHANGE.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 3248_SS_Wisteria_St_2024 (PDF)
- 3248_SS_Wisteria_St_2024_PB_Report (PDF)

RESULT: APPROVED [11 TO 0]

AYES: Walsh, Allen, Click-Bruce, Brown, Davila, Curran, Santaniello, Edwards, Whitfield, Perez, Fenton

ABSENT: Jose Delgado, Zaida Govan