



**City Council**  
**General Government**  
**Meeting**

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

**Councilor Victor Davila (Chair)**

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**September 4,  
2025**

**4:00 PM**

**City Hall - Room 200**

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**Call To Order**

3:00 PM Meeting called to order on September 4, 2025 at Hybrid Room 200, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

**Roll Call**

**In person:**

Councilor Davila  
Councilor Walsh  
Councilor Allen  
Mary Johnson  
Gerry Martin  
Cathu Buono (CAFO)  
Steve Lonergan (Collectors)

**Zoom:**

Councilor Govan  
Councilor Whitfield  
Councilor Santaniello  
Keith O'Connor (Code Enforcement)  
Mike Jachym (Code Enforcement)  
Jennifer Silberman (Public Relations/Dollar Store)  
Shannon Thompson (Dollar Store)  
Attorney Shea  
Jeff Melli (Dollar Store)  
Sarah Pupka (Dollar Store)  
Rachel Wilson (Dollar Store)  
Lindsey Hackett (Deputy CAFO)  
Webb Mitchell (Dollar Store)  
Suehaley Arce (SPD)

## **Public Portion**

1. Follow-Up Discussion on Dollar Tree Violations. Purpose: Review the status of previously identified violations, assess corrective actions, and determine next steps for compliance.

## **Minutes:**

### **Quick Recap**

The General Government Committee met to review ongoing issues at several Dollar Tree locations, including code violations, exterior cleanliness, litter, unauthorized vendors, and improper waste disposal. Improvements were noted at the Island Street location, while continued concerns remain at the State Street and Allen Street locations. Medical and dental waste being improperly disposed of in shared dumpsters was a primary concern. The committee discussed updated district manager oversight, enhanced cleaning procedures, community impacts, and the need for continued enforcement and follow-up.

### **Next Steps**

- Jennifer to provide the updated cleanliness policy and district manager contact information to the committee.
- Jeff to re-send the district manager contact list and his contact information to the distribution list.
- Jennifer to work with Steve and Kathy to resolve the \$2,150 outstanding balance at the State Street location.
- Code Enforcement to follow up with the Health Department regarding medical waste disposal at the dentist office.
- Jennifer to confirm and email the dentist's office name to the Code Enforcement/Committee.
- Keith/Code Enforcement to visit the dentist's office regarding proper medical waste disposal.
- Jennifer is to ensure dumpsters are locked overnight.
- Jennifer to have store managers from Allen Street and State Street attend the next meeting.
- Suhaly Arce to coordinate a police special attention detail at the State Street location.
- Dollar Store/Committee to schedule a follow-up meeting in approximately 30 days.

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