



City Council

Health and Human Services

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Wednesday, November 14, 2018

5:15 PM

City Hall -- Room 200

I. Call to Order

5:15 PM Meeting called to order on November 14, 2018 at City Hall -- Room 200, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Kenneth E. Shea	Ward 6 Councilor	Absent	
Kateri B. Walsh	At-Large Councilor	Absent	
Jesse Lederman		Present	
Melvin A. Edwards	Ward 3 Councilor	Present	
Tracye Whitfield	Financial Analyst	Present	

II. Public Portion

III. Ordinances

1. Ordinance (ID # 4821)

Plastic Bag Reduction

Chapter 280-Plastic Bag Reduction

HISTORY:

10/15/18

City Council

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Next: 11/19/18

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The Health and Human Services committee met to discuss and the plastic bag reduction ordinance that will be on the Agenda of the City Council meeting Monday, November 19th at 7pm.

Councilor Lederman called the meeting to order. Representatives from the Green Committee, Chamber of Commerce and Arise were in attendance. The discussion brought to light how destructive plastic bags are to the environment and the community. Written in the proposed ordinance is a fee for using plastic bags if you don't bring reusable bags with you to shop. There are 80 communities in the State of Massachusetts that have a Plastic Bag Reduction ordinance in place.

Councilor Lederman is going to present the ordinance with some changes. There will be a follow up meeting of the Health and Human Services committee after the full City Council reviews the ordinance Monday night.

Meeting was adjourned.