



City Council

Regular Meeting

~ Final ~

36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103
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Gladys Oyola-Lopez
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Monday, September 13, 2021

7:00 PM

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Possible Public Speak-Out Time 6:30 PM

Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on September 13, 2021 at Virtual Meeting (Zoom) , Virtual Meeting, N/A, NA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Melvin A. Edwards	Ward 3 Councilor	Present	
Jesse Lederman	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Gumercindo Gomez	Ward 1 Councilor	Absent	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Sean Curran	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Tracye Whitfield	Vice President	Present	7:13 PM
Orlando Ramos	Ward 8 Councilor	Present	
Malo Brown	Ward 4 Councilor	Present	
Kateri B. Walsh	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Victor Davila	Ward 6 Councilor	Present	
Michael A. Fenton	Ward 2 Councilor	Present	
Justin Hurst	At Large Councilor	Present	
Marcus J Williams	President	Present	

Moment of Silence - Pledge of Allegiance

Reports of Committee

- Councilor Edwards reported on the REO Sub Committee
- Councilor Hurst reported on the Audit Sub Committee
- Councilor Lederman reported on the COVID-19 Response Team
- Councilor Whitfield reported on the Finance Sub Committee

Reports accepted

Informational

1. Order (ID # 6403)

July Revenue Vs. Expenditure Report

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Patrick Burns spoke to the first month of FY22. The first payment of the annual pension appropriation payment was made on July 1, 2021. The total payment was 75.3 million. 52.2 was the City portion paid and 23.1 was the School portion paid.

Councilor Tim Allen referred to the FY21 payment of the pension appropriation saying it was "broke in half" last year and paid in two pieces. Patrick Burns replied saying the City, due to the Covid pandemic, was afraid of a cash flow shortage and therefore made 6 one month payments and 2 quarterly payments.

In FY22 the City has returned to the timeline as dictated by their funding schedule.

All Councilors present voted to in favor of receiving the July Revenue Vs. Expenditure Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

- July Revenue Vs. Expenditure Report (PDF)

RESULT: RECEIVE REPORT

2. Informational 2021-1

Confirmation of the Appointment of Judith Crowell to the Historical Commission

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Councilor Williams asked if there was anyone present to speak in favor of the appointment of Judith Crowell to the Historical Commission.

Mrs. Crowell spoke in favor of her own appointment.

Councilor Davila asked if the seat Mrs. Crowell was being nominated for was an open seat.

Alvin Allen, Principal Planner for the COS, stated that Mrs. Crowell would be replacing Victoria Rowe who held a residency seat on the Historic Commission.

Councilor Walsh supported the nomination and welcomed more women. Explained that nominations typically come through the Maintenance and Development Committee and asked if that practice has been changed. She stated that having the appointments go through the M&D Committee allows the committee to properly vet candidates and prepare them for the questions of the whole council.

Councilor Williams stated that no the practice has not changed. He asked Mr. Allen if he was aware of that practice to which Mr. Allen stated that no he was not.

Councilor Ramos echoed Councilor Walsh's sentiments about women in government as something that is needed. He alluded to his service on the License Commission and applauded the nominee on her willingness to serve. Asked the nominee to share some more details on her background.

Judith Crowell asked what exactly the Council would like to know. Mrs. Crowell stated that she is a Boston resident and moved to Springfield in 2002 into a historic district. Works for the Springfield Police Department. Started employment with the COS as Law Dept employee.

Councilor Ramos - Mrs. Crowell's living in a historic home is a huge plus.

Councilor Fenton - Speaks in the most strong terms possible in favor of her appointment. Has worked with her and says it has been a pleasure to work with her. He supports her appointment.

Councilor Edwards - Echoed some of the comments of Councilor Fenton. Noted that Mrs. Crowell is a member in good standing of the Maple High Six Corners Neighborhood Council. He supports her appointment.

Councilor Lederman- I too want to thank Mrs. Crowell for her willingness to serve. Stewarding a historic home is not always easy. Happy to see the appointment of an owner that is familiar with the process be appointed. Thank you for your work on the certification and accreditation process.

Councilor Whitfield - Spoke positively to Ms. Crowell's appointment to the Historic Commission. Said she is very thorough in her research. Thrilled to see more women in government and more women of color for that matter.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Judith Crowell Appointment Letter (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Michael A. Fenton, Ward 2 Councilor
SECONDER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

Grants

3. Order (ID # 6404)

Parks - Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program Action Grant - \$2,000,000 - Match Required

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#3 - Municipal Vulnerability Grant (match) 2 million dollars, Pat Sullivan reported that this was one of the largest awards from the Commonwealth.

Motion to approve. Motion accepted.

ATTACHMENTS:

- MVP Grant Forestry Operations Center & Community Outreach (PDF)

- CAFO Cert- Parks MVP Grant- Forestry Operations Center (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Malo Brown, Ward 4 Councilor
SECONDER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

4. Order (ID # 6380)

COVID-19 Case Investigation and Contact Tracing- No Match Required \$600,000.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#4 - COVID-19 no match Contact Tracing Grant (\$600,000), Helen Caulton-Harris reported.

Motion to approve. Motion accepted.

ATTACHMENTS:

- FY22 HHS COVID-19 INVESTIGATION & CONTACT TRACING-\$600,000.00 (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
SECONDER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

5. Order (ID # 6399)

FY22 Senior Community Service Employment Grant - in Kind Match Required - \$523,879.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#5 - FY22 Senior Community Service Grant (\$523,879), Sandy Federico reported.

Motion to approve. Motion accepted.

ATTACHMENTS:

- SCSEP GRANT FY22 \$523,879.00 (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER: Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

6. Order (ID # 6400)

EOHHS Youth Homelessness Grant Increase - \$636,589.00 - No Match

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#6 - State EOHSS Youth Homelessness Grant Increase, Gerry McCafferty reported. (\$636,589) - final number. The original amount needed to be amended.

Motion to amend. Motion amended. Motion for approval. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- FY22 Homeless Youth Grant (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED AS AMENDED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
SECONDER:	Kateri B. Walsh, At-Large Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

7. Order (ID # 6369)

Health Services for the Homeless Grant Increase - No Match Required - \$69,543.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#7 - Health and Human Service for the Homeless no match grant (\$69,543), Helen Caulton-Harriis reported.

Councilor Walsh commented.

Motion to approve. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- SHHS Homeless(PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

8. Order (ID # 6379)

FY22 Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) Grant- No Match Required \$50,000.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#8 - FY22 Mass Board of Library Commissioners Grant for (\$50,000), Molly Fogarty reported.

Motion to approve. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Libraries MBLC ARPA \$50K Outreach Van (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
SECONDER: Tracie Whitfield, Vice President
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

9. Order (ID # 6402)

American Rescue Plan Act Funding - No Match-\$29,836,165

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#9 - American Rescue Plan Act Fund no match (\$29,836,165), TJ Plante reported.

Councilors Ramos, Walsh, Whitfield, Davila, Fenton and Brown commented about how the funds are allocated, and future plans for the money.

Motion to approve the grant. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- County Reallocation CLFRF ARPA Funding (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Tracie Whitfield, Vice President
SECONDER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

10. Order (ID # 6386)

FY22 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Leadership Scholarship - No Match - \$10,000

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- FY22 Grant Setup Form Scholarship (PDF)
- FY22 PSAP Award Letter (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 Councilor
SECONDER: Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

11. Order (ID # 6353)

Springfield City Library Donation - \$150.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Libraries Donation \$150.00 Noony Burack (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 Councilor
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

12. Order (ID # 6401)

Police CIT/HOPE Grant - No Match Required - \$100,000

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CIT22 (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Kateri B. Walsh, At-Large Councilor
SECONDER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

13. Order (ID # 6346)

Springfield City Library Donation - \$100.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Libraries Donation \$100.00 Ashley Kuselias (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 Councilor
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

14. Order (ID # 6389)

Libraries Cash Donations - \$52.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- FY22 Cash Donations Libraries (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 Councilor
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

15. Order (ID # 6387)

Donation of Goods - Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC)

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Items#10, 11, 13, 14, 15 - Various grants and donations made to Library. Motion to take all items for approval together. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- FY22 MLBC Hotspots Donation (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Orlando Ramos, Ward 8 Councilor
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

Orders**16. Order (ID # 6382)**

Bond Authorization - MSBA ARP Project - \$6,275,387.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#16 - Order approval for High School of Science and Technology, TJ Plante reported. Grant total \$6,275,387.

Councilor Brown commented about the locker rooms in all the high schools.

Motion to approve order. Motion approval.

*Motion to suspend Rule 19. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CAFO Cert - Bond Order - FY22 MSBA Project Sci Tech (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [11 TO 0]**
MOVER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER: Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez
AWAY: Kateri B. Walsh

17. Order (ID # 6383)

Order Approving a Contract Over 3 Years for Lease Purchase Financing Of a Pierce Enforcer 1500 GPM 750 Gallon Water Pumper Apparatus for the Springfield Fire Department

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#17 - Order for 6 year lease to replace water pump apparatus (Pumper Truck). TJ Plante reported.

Motion to approve. Motion approved.

*Motion to suspend Rule 19. Motion approved.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER: Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

18. Order (ID # 6409)

Order Approving Permanent Easement for June's Way

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COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#18- Order for June's Way (Private Way), Atty Ed Pikula reported.

Councilor Davila commented and wanted clarification on the order.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Proposed Agreement for Judgment-Aug. 2021 (DOCX)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER: Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

19. Order (ID # 6419)

Order Accepting an Easement from American International College for Certain Real Property on State Street in Furtherance of the City's Bike Share Program

The Easement is granted at no cost to the City.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#19 -Easement for AIC Campus new installation of bike station, William Marcos Gonzalez reported.

Councilor Whitfield had a question regarding sanitizing the bikes after use, but this is just to set up the bike station.

Motion to send this item to the Maintenance and Development Committee. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Exhibit #1 - Easement, and Exhibit A - Map of Easement Area (PDF)

RESULT:	REFER COMMITTEE VOTE [9 TO 3]	Next: 9/27/2021 1:00 PM
AYES:	Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams	
NAYS:	Melvin A. Edwards, Jesse Lederman, Malo Brown	
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez	

20. Order (ID # 6406)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund Cottage Hill Square Grove

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#20 - CPC for Cottage Hill Grove project (\$250,000), Bob McCarrol and Karen Lee reported.

Councilors Whitfield, and Ramos commented and wanted to know if there will be new benches.

Motion to approve the order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

21. Order (ID # 6407)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the (Hotel) Rainville & New Court Terrace Apts

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#21 - CPC for renovations for 4 Apartment Buildings by WayFinders, James Linfield reported.

Councilors Brown, Davila and Ramos had questions/clarifications on the issue.

Motion to send this item to the Finance Committee. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	REFER COMMITTEE VOTE [12 TO 0]	Next: 10/4/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Orlando Ramos, Marcus J Williams	
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams	
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez	

22. Order (ID # 6405)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund Blunt Park Tennis Courts

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#22 - CPC recommendation to fund Blunt Park tennis courts (\$250,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilors Brown and Hurst commented that the gravel track needs work.

Motion to approve the order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Kateri B. Walsh, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

23. Order (ID # 6408)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Historic Renovation to 2612 Main Street

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#23 - CPC to fund Historic 2612 Main Street (\$250,000) for exterior renovations, Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilors Fenton, Ramos, Lederman, Walsh, Brown, Edwards, Hurst and Davila had questions/clarification.

Motion to send this item to Committee. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	REFER COMMITTEE VOTE [10 TO 2]	Next: 10/4/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Jesse Lederman, Marcus J Williams	
SECONDER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor	
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Ramos, Brown, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams	
NAYS:	Tracye Whitfield, Kateri B. Walsh	
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez	

24. Order (ID # 6424)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Kilroy House Exterior Renovation (Phase 2)

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#24 - CPC to fund Kilroy House on Chestnut Street (\$250,000), Bob McCaroll and Kay Simpson reported.

Councilors Lederman, Whitfield, Walsh, Brown, Davila and Ramos commented and wanted to more about the property.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Kateri B. Walsh, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

25. Order (ID # 6420)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Stone Soul Memorial Garden

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#25 - CPC to fund a portion of Blunt Park "Stone Soul Memorial Garden" (\$248,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Brown commented.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tracye Whitfield, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Kateri B. Walsh, At-Large Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

26. Order (ID # 6411)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Forest Park Picnic Grove

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#26 - CPC to fund the Forest Park Picnic Grove Pavillion (\$242,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Whitfield commented that a bathroom would be beneficial.

Councilor Davila commented.

Motion to approve the order. Motion approved.

*Motion to continue meeting due to time 10pm. Council agreed to proceed until 10:30pm.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

27. Order (ID # 6417)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Magazine Park Phase 1

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#27 - CPC Magazine Park Phase 1 (\$210,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Brown commented.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Tracye Whitfield, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER: Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

28. Order (ID # 6418)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Marshall Roy Spray Structure

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#28 - CPC recommendations to rebuild Spray Center at Marshall Roy Field (\$209,300), Bob McCaroll reported.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Michael A. Fenton, Ward 2 Councilor
SECONDER: Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

29. Order (ID # 6425)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Drama Studio Restoration

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#29 - CPC for Drama Studio Restoration on Oakland Street (\$175,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
MOVER: Victor Davila, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER: Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
AYES: Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT: Gumersindo Gomez

30. Order (ID # 6416)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Hubbard Park Tennis Courts

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#30 - CPC recommendation to fund the Hubbord Park Tennis Courts (\$164,979), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Ramos commented.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

31. Order (ID # 6422)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the City of Springfield Down Payment Assistance

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#31 - CPC recommendation for Down Payment Assistance (\$160,000), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Davila inquired about eligibility and location.

At the meeting held on October 7, 2021, Councilor Curran stated that he wished to go on record and change his vote on this item from a No to a Yes. The Clerk changed his vote.

Motion to approve order. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tracye Whitfield, Marcus J Williams
SECONDER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

32. Order (ID # 6423)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the East Springfield Library Outdoor Reading Room

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Item#32 - CPC East Springfield Library Outdoor Reading Room (\$85,500), Bob McCaroll reported.

Councilor Fenton commented.

Motion to send to the Finance Committee. Motion approved.

*Motion to suspend Rule 19 for Items 22, 24, 25 -31. Motion approved.

*Motions to continue Items 33-43 along with the Executive Session. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	REFER COMMITTEE VOTE [12 TO 0]	Next: 10/4/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Michael A. Fenton, Ward 2 Councilor	
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President	
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams	
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez	

Motion To: Suspension of Rule 19

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Suspension of Rule 19 on previous items

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
SECONDER:	Timothy C. Allen, Ward 7 Councilor
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

33. Order (ID # 6410)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Classical High Façade Restoration

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

RESULT:	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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34. Order (ID # 6421)

Order Approving CPC Recommendation to Fund the Westminster Street Playground Phase 2

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPA Orders Appropriation account codes (XLSX)

35. Order (ID # 6426)

Legal Opinion Request-Residency Ordinance

Motion To: Motion to Continue Items 33-43

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

A motion was made by Councilor Davila and seconded by Councilor Whitfield to continue items 33-43 on the agenda to the next regular meeting.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

Zoning Ordinances

36. Zoning Change (ID # 6351)

To Change the Zoning of the Properties Known as SS Boston Road (01655-0667, 0665 & 0664), ES Gilbert Avenue (05650-0127) and WS Arnold Avenue (00650-0008 & 0009) from Residence a and Commercial P to Business a and SS Boston Road (01655-0663) from Commercial P to Business A. .

PETITIONER: Caring for Others Health Agency, LLC

ADDRESS: SS Boston Road, et.al.

CHANGE REQUESTED: Res A and Com P to Bus A

HISTORY:

08/18/21	Planning Board	MOTION TO CONTINUE
Next: 09/01/21		

09/01/21	Planning Board	APPROVED
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ATTACHMENTS:

- 20210729113953845 (PDF)
- 3224_SS_Boston_Rd_2021_PB_Report (PDF)
- 3224_SS_Boston_Road_2021 (PDF)

37. Zoning Change (ID # 6352)

To Change the Zoning of the Properties Known as SS Morris Street (08850-0046, 0038, 0037, 0036 & 0035) and NS Central Street (02560-0009, 0010, 0013, 0015, 0017 & 0019) from Industrial a to Residence C and the Properties Known as NS Morris Street (08850-0013, 0016, 0018 & 0019) from Commercial P to Residence C.

PETITIONER: Springfield Planning Board

ADDRESS: SS Morris Street, et.al.

CHANGE REQUESTED: Ind A and Com P to Res C

HISTORY:

08/18/21	Planning Board	MOTION TO CONTINUE
Next: 09/01/21		

09/01/21	Planning Board	APPROVED
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ATTACHMENTS:

- 20210729115454435 (PDF)
- 3223_SS_Morris_St_2021_PB_Report (PDF)
- 3223_SS_Morris_St_2021 (PDF)

38. Zoning Change (ID # 6368)

To Change the Zoning of the Property Known as 797 Berkshire Avenue (01340-0402) and Rear Berkshire Avenue (01340-0356) from Business a to Business B.

PETITIONER:**1626 Bay Street, LLC****ADDRESS:****797 Berkshire Avenue. et.al.****CHANGE REQUESTED:****Bus A to Bus B****HISTORY:****09/01/21****Planning Board****MOTION TO CONTINUE****Next: 09/15/21**

RESULT:	CONTINUE [12 TO 0]	Next: 10/25/2021 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor	
SECONDER:	Jesse Lederman, At-Large Councilor	
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams	
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez	

Petitions**39. Petition (ID # 6385)**

658 Berkshire Ave.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

ITEM TAKEN OUT OF ORDER

Item#39 - 658 Berkshire Avenue, no petitioner present.

Motion to continue this item. Motion approved.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CMA-Berkshire Ave Report (PDF)
- 21-0826529-00 Pro Drawing REV00 (PDF)
- Springfield City Council Letter 658 Berkshire Ave (PDF)

RESULT:	CONTINUE VOTE [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Kateri B. Walsh, At-Large Councilor
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, Vice President
AYES:	Edwards, Lederman, Allen, Curran, Whitfield, Ramos, Brown, Walsh, Davila, Fenton, Hurst, Williams
ABSENT:	Gumersindo Gomez

Ordinances

(40.) **ORD-2021-11 Amendment to Chapter 45-Article II Historic Districts, Section 45-5**

AMENDING CHAPTER 49 ARTICLE II, SECTION 49-5 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, AS AMENDED, BY INSERTING NEW LANGUAGE

1. CHAPTER 49 section 49-5 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, as amended, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new CHAPTER 45 section 49-5, hereto as follows:

“CHAPTER 49 section 49-5 – Quadrangle-Mattoon Street Historic District

There is established under the provisions of and in accordance with the Historic Districts Act, so-called, as mentioned in this chapter, the Quadrangle-Mattoon Street Historic District as shown on the map labeled Exhibit 27-2A, entitled ‘Quadrangle-Mattoon Street Historic District’; said map to be considered a part of this chapter. In accordance with Section 8, Paragraph b of said Historic Districts Act, so-called, the authority of said Commission shall, however, be limited so as not to extend to any buildings, structures or properties however owned or controlled by the Springfield Library and Museum Association and Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Springfield. “Notwithstanding the above, the limitation set forth herein shall not apply to 220 State Street (also known as the Springfield Science Museum) or 222 State Street (also known as the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum).”

2. The effective date for the amendments listed above shall be November ##, 2021.

Approved as to form,
Associate City Solicitor

ATTACHMENTS:

- Letter to City Council on GWVS Museum (PDF)

(41.) **ORD-2021-10 Aunchman House LHD/51-53 Bay Street**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield, as follows:

Chapter 49, Article II of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, as amended, entitled “Historic Districts” be amended by the addition of the following section:

Subsection “49-26”:

49-26 Aunchman House Local Historic District.

- A. There is further established under the provisions of and in accordance with the Historic Districts Act, so-called, as mentioned in this chapter, the Aunchman House Local Historic District as shown on the map labeled Exhibit 27-2T, entitled "Aunchman House Local Historic District"; said map to be considered part of this chapter.
- B. Exemption from controls:
- 1) Temporary structures or signs, subject to such conditions as to duration of use, location, lighting, removal and similar matters as the Commission may reasonably specify.
 - 2) Terraces, walks, driveways, and sidewalks, provided that any such structure is substantially at grade level.
 - 3) The reconstruction, substantially similar in exterior design, of a building, structure or exterior architectural feature damaged or destroyed by fire, storm or other disaster, provided such reconstruction is begun within one year thereafter and carried forward with due diligence.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Holy_Trinity_Church_LHD_Request (JPG)

(42.) ORD-2021-9 Elias Brookings LHD

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield, as follows:

Chapter 49, Article II of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, as amended, entitled "Historic Districts" be amended by the addition of the following section:

Subsection "49-25":

49-25 Elias Brookings Local Historic District.

- A. There is further established under the provisions of and in accordance with the Historic Districts Act, so-called, as mentioned in this chapter, the Elias Brookings Local Historic District as shown on the map labeled Exhibit 27-2S, entitled "Elias Brookings Local Historic District"; said map to be considered part of this chapter.
- B. Exemption from controls:
- 1) Temporary structures or signs, subject to such conditions as to duration of use, location, lighting, removal and similar matters as the Commission may reasonably specify.

- 2) Terraces, walks, driveways, and sidewalks, provided that any such structure is substantially at grade level.
- 3) The reconstruction, substantially similar in exterior design, of a building, structure or exterior architectural feature damaged or destroyed by fire, storm or other disaster, provided such reconstruction is begun within one year thereafter and carried forward with due diligence.

Resolutions

43. Resolution 2021-4

Eversource Overdue Payment

Executive Session

Executive Session for the purpose of discussing strategy with regard to certain litigation involving the ongoing settlement discussions with the U.S. Department of Justice and other pending or threatened litigation involving Civil Rights matters and the Springfield Police Department, where open session may be detrimental to the City's litigating position.

The Council will not reconvene in open session.