



City Council

Regular Meeting

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Monday, December 19, 2022

7:00 PM

Springfield City Hall -- Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

7:00 PM Meeting called to order on December 19, 2022 at Springfield City Hall -- Council Chambers, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Maria Perez		Present	
Lavar Click-Bruce	Ward 5 City Councilor	Remote	
Sean Curran	At-Large Councilor	Present	
Kateri B. Walsh	At-Large Councilor	Remote	
Malo Brown	Ward 4 Councilor	Remote	
Victor Davila	Ward 6 Councilor	Present	
Justin Hurst	At Large Councilor	Remote	
Melvin A. Edwards	Ward 3 Councilor	Present	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Zaida Govan	Ward 8 City Councilor	Present	
Michael A. Fenton	Ward 2 Councilor	Present	
Tracye Whitfield	At Large City Councilor	Remote	
Jesse Lederman	President	Present	

Informational

1. Order (ID # 7162)

November Revenue Vs. Expenditure Report

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Pat Burns presented the November Revenue Vs. Expenditure report.

ATTACHMENTS:

- November Revenue Vs. Expenditure Report (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Perez, Click-Bruce, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman

Report of Committee

Whitfield - Finance Committee December 19th Meeting- Vote unanimously on accepting all items- councilors will get a listing on all organizations that were approved for the Shannon grant

Fenton - Government 12/12/22 Meeting-discussed update to residency compliance committee and Councilor Hurst proposal regarding warrants for municipal agents to conduct assessments

Davila - Public Safety December 13th Meeting discussed current status of crisis division in City of Springfield- The police commission did not show up to meeting Davila is trying to make sure they do show up next meeting- the Police Commission does not have rules and regulations & the council has questions.

Whitfield - December 7th Finance Subcommittee on ARPA Funds - all applications for small business have moved to planning and eco dev & finance will be handling the senior house hold applications.

Grants

2. Order (ID # 7159)

FY23 Shannon CSI Grant - In-Kind Match Required - \$1,201,514.08

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Lindsay Hackett , Deputy CAFO 80 Tamarack Drive, spoke on the item.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Request for Grant Set-Up 2023 (signed) (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Perez, Click-Bruce, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman

3. Order (ID # 7152)

MassWorks Infrastructure Grant - No Match - \$700,000

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Brian Connors , ECO DEV, 274 Springfield Street, spoke on this item.

ATTACHMENTS:

- grant 1 (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Perez, Click-Bruce, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman

4. Order (ID # 7163)

FY23 State Aid to Public Library- No Match Required - \$499,059.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Molly Fogarty, Library Director, spoke on this item.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Library FY23 State Aid Grant Setup (PDF)

- Library State Aid Award (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

5. Order (ID # 7160)

Brownfields Assessment Grant - No Match - \$100,000

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Brian Connors spoke on the item.

ATTACHMENTS:

- grant 2 (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

6. Order (ID # 7168)

FY23 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant - No Match - \$41,375.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

#6 & #7 voted together

ATTACHMENTS:

- Fire Equipment Grant Combined (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

7. Order (ID # 7167)

TERT Program Grant - No Match Required - \$10,000.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

#6 & #7 voted together

ATTACHMENTS:

- TERT Combined File (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
AYES: Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY: Lavar Click-Bruce

Orders

8. Order (ID # 7169)

Budget Transfer Across Departments - \$36,544.41

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Budget Transfer Across Departments - \$36,544.41

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Pat Burns spoke on this item.

Funds for firefighter who was active duty military

ATTACHMENTS:

- CAFO Cert Comptroller Transfer Updated (PDF)
- Military Service Fund Letter (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
AYES: Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY: Lavar Click-Bruce

9. Order (ID # 7166)

Parks Department - Donation - \$2,173.67 - No Match Required

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Lindsay Hacket, Deputy CAFO, spoke on this item.

For riverfront park improvement and maintenance.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Parks- Riverfront Park Donation (PDF)

RESULT: **ADOPTED [12 TO 0]**
AYES: Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY: Lavar Click-Bruce

10. Order (ID # 7164)

Elder Affairs Donation- \$2,000.00

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Ciara Hanlon, Budget Analyst spoke on the item.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Elders Donation \$2000_Redacted (PDF)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

11. Order (ID # 7050)

Order Approving Increase of Retirement Board Member Annual Stipends to \$4500

HISTORY:**10/17/22****City Council****REFERRED TO COMMITTEE****Next: 12/19/22****COMMENTS - Current Meeting:**

Councilor Fenton spoke on the item

Councilor Davila spoke in support.

Councilor Perez spoke in support.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

(12.) ORD-2022-8 Increase in Compensation

AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 61

ORD. NO. ____

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, 1986, AS AMENDED, BY DELETING ARTICLE I, § 61-1.

Chapter 61, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, 1986, as amended, is hereby further amended by DELETING ARTICLE I, § 61-5.

Chapter 61, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, 1986, as amended, is hereby further amended by INSERTING A NEW ARTICLE I, § 61-1 as follows:

The annual compensation of the President of the City Council shall be \$28,500, and the annual compensation of all other members of the City Council shall be \$28,000 per annum, effective January 1, 2024, and thereafter. Said sums shall be paid in equal installments at the end of each month of service.

Chapter 61, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, 1986, as amended, is hereby further amended by INSERTING A NEW ARTICLE I, § 61-5 as follows:

The annual compensation of the Mayor shall be \$175,000, effective January 1, 2024.

Chapter 61, of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, 1986, as amended, is hereby further amended by INSERTING A NEW ARTICLE IV, § 61-7 as follows:

The annual compensation of the School Committee shall be \$18,000, effective January 1, 2024.

Increase in Compensation

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Kateri B. Walsh, At-Large Councilor
AYES:	Perez, Click-Bruce, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:
2nd & 3rd step

Motion To: Motion to Move to Question

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion made by Councilor Davila. Second Councilor Whitfield.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Victor Davila, Ward 6 Councilor
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, At Large City Councilor
AYES:	Perez, Click-Bruce, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman

Motion To: Invoke Rule 22C

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion made by Councilor Edwards. Second Councilor Whitfield.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [12 TO 0]
MOVER:	Melvin A. Edwards, Ward 3 Councilor
SECONDER:	Tracye Whitfield, At Large City Councilor
AYES:	Perez, Curran, Walsh, Brown, Davila, Hurst, Edwards, Allen, Govan, Fenton, Whitfield, Lederman
AWAY:	Lavar Click-Bruce

End of Year Business

Informal Caucus to Elect President and Vice-President of the City Council for the 2023 Legislative Session

Councilor Melvin Edwards was elected as Vice President for 2023 (Victor Davila was a no vote).

Councilor Jesse Lederman was unanimously elected as President for 2023.