



MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
TELECONFERENCE
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
JUNE 04, 2020 AT 7:00 PM

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the City of Westfield City Council will be conducted via remote participation. Specific information can be found on the City of Westfield website at www.cityofwestfield.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so by tuning into Channel 15 or online at westfieldtv.org. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City's website an audio recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

The City Clerk called the roll. All thirteen Councilors were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the President.

Upon motion of Councilor Beltrandi, it was
VOTED: That record of the meeting of May 21st, 2020 be ACCEPTED.

Councilor Sullivan submitted an email for public comment regarding the school budget from Laura Marx, 8 Demond Avenue.

Councilor Sullivan submitted an email for public comment relative to the school budget from Trish Wysocki, 77 Overlook Drive.

Councilor Flaherty presented an email for public comment relative to the City budget from Ed Ziskowski, 34 Northridge Road request a 10% pay cut to all City employees.

Councilor Onyski questioned, for resident Kathy Hillman, when the public will be able to have public participation in Zoom Council meetings.

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, it was
VOTED: Under immediate consideration that a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 from Free Cash to fund the FY2021 budget be APPROVED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Figy informed the Council that after considerable discussion the decision was made to use Free Cash for the revenue side of FY21 budget and that the \$1,500,000.00 will go to the School side of the budget. Councilor Allie questioned the Mayor, who was participating remotely, how this will impact the school budget. Mayor Humason informed the Council that there was an original deficit of \$8.1 million and that the School was requested to cut \$4 million and the City was requested to cut \$4.1 million. The Superintendent and the Business Manager cut \$2 million which included layoffs and used \$1 million from the CARES ACT and still had a \$1 million deficit. At the last School Committee meeting parents and teachers expressed their disagreement with the cuts and concern for how the schools could operate efficiently with the cuts. At that point they were asked to hold their budget in order to find more revenue. The projected revenue prior to June 1st was lower than the revenue received after June 1st when the real estate bills came in, therefore, with that increase to the revenue, there was the ability to transfer \$1.5 million from Free Cash to the FY21 budget and target that money to the School Department. And it is the hope that this additional money to their budget will ease the amount of anticipated layoffs. The School Department will meet June 10th, 2020 to vote on the budget. Prior to COVID-19 there were no cuts anticipated to the School budget. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that there is still a deficit of \$1.5 million and questioned how the School Department will protect the labor side and are there any stipulations to protect the music programs and special ed. Mayor Humason informed the Council there are no stipulations on the additional revenue to their budget, but would anticipate the Superintendent and Business Manager would go through the budget and try to preserve as many positions as possible and to preserve music and special ed. Councilor Mello requested to have the Mayor's word of honor for this money to go to the programs for the children. The Mayor informed the Council that he cannot promise that but that he is fairly certain that the School Committee members would put this money into those programs. Councilor Bean informed the Council that the Council does not have the ability to earmark the money, it is up to the School Committee members. Councilor Harris informed the Council that she has worked with the Superintendent and School Committee and they are extremely

dedicated to their students and their attentions are pure and you can trust them. Councilor Flaherty clarified that the first \$1 million out of the this \$1.5 million will make up for the cut that they didn't already make out of the original \$4 million they were asked to cut, so only a half of million is new money. This money will be helping to make up a deficit that already exists so there will still be a significant impact to the Schools even with this additional money. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that he submitted questions to City Auditor Caputo asking why Free Cash is being used and it is the recommendation of the Auditor not to use Free Cash based on the local economy. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that the Auditor believes, based on information within his Auditor's State group that the Chapter 70 money will be cut 10 to 20 percent. Councilor Allie questioned how much money will come from the sweeping of the accounts and where will that money go. The Mayor informed the Council that he does not know how much there will be in the sweeping and that there are unanticipated end of the year costs that the money will be used for. Councilor Sullivan informed the Council that the Auditor stated at the Finance Committee meeting there is \$3.5 million currently in Free Cash and that there is a projection of \$1 million of new Free Cash and after this deduction and deductions for snow and ice and medical bills that leaves \$2 million. There will be money coming in from marijuana and increases in tuitions which will bring Free Cash up to \$2 to \$3 million so the transfer of the \$1.5 million on tonight's agenda is not as risky as being portrayed. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that the end of the year to date expenses have just recently been received and are higher than expected and that the City Auditor informed him that there are a lot of open PO's still out there that have not been closed because the office is a little behind due to COVID-19 and not being able to be in the office so he doesn't know how much is left over at this time but that it won't be the usual \$5 or \$6 million.

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: Under immediate consideration, that a Resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTFIELD APPROVING A LIGHTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WESTFIELD AND MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AT STATE ROUTE 10 & US 202 (SOUTHWICK ROAD) OVER LITTLE RIVER (COWLES BRIDGE) be ADOPTED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Onyski informed the Council that the agreement is that the State will put the lights on the bridge and the City will take care of them.

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, it was

VOTED: Under immediate consideration, that the Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 from Baystate Noble Hospital FY2020 Community Grant to the Health Department, Coalition Outreach Recovery Education (CORE) program be ACCEPTED. These funds are associated with Opioid Prevention, Treatment, Recovery and Referral opportunity.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, it was

VOTED: That items 6. And 7. under "Communications from the Mayor" be read by the Clerk and REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Clerk read from the Agenda as follows:

6. Appropriation of \$410,662.47 from Free Cash to Health Insurance Benefits account #19140000-519400.

7. \$569,719.57 from Free Cash to the following Snow & Ice Budget: \$277,896.38 to Snow & Ice, Purchase of Services account #14230000-520000; \$291,823.19 to Snow & Ice Supplies account #14230000-540000.

Upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was

VOTED: That the rules of the City Council be SUSPENDED in order to act upon an item received at tonight's meeting.

Upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was

VOTED: That the appointment of Sarah Scott, 455 Falley Drive as a member of the Westfield Cultural Council for a term to expire the first Monday of June, 2023, be CONFIRMED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Harris informed the Council that Ms. Scott is the Librarian at Westfield Middle School recommending reading and research material to students, supporting classroom curriculum and managing Chromebooks for all students and staff which includes instruction, troubleshooting problems, managing repair requests. She also applies for grant money for cultural activities at the Middle School. Previously, she was a Librarian at Westfield State University and the Westfield Athenaeum. She is a lifelong supporter of the Arts and has been a volunteer at the Springfield Museums for many years, regularly attends plays and concerts, and supports local cultural events and activities. She has a B.A. in English from Mt. Holyoke College and a Masters in Library and Information Science from Simmons College and her expertise in the grant process. She is a perfect fit for the Cultural Council, whose job is to distribute State Grant money to the Arts and related endeavors. Councilor Matthews-Kane spoke in support of Ms. Scott. She informed the Council that she worked closely with Ms. Scott at the Westfield State University library and other projects and that her professionalism would be a strong asset to the Commission.

A PUBLIC HEARING was held on layout orders for Devon Terrace, Gloria Drive, Hillary Lane, Nancy Circle, Frank Circle, Rachael Terrace and Hillcrest Circle, so-called as City

Ways. (To participate in the Public Hearing please call 1-929 205-6099, Meeting ID: 875 9086 1223, Password: 039499)

Councilor Onyski was present to represent the application. He informed the Council that this is the last step to allow the public to speak on the accepting private ways to public ways. He informed the Council that this process has taken a year and a half to get to this point. He informed the Council that he has received a dozen emails that are on the share drive in favor of the acceptance of the streets. He informed the Council that the streets are all in good shape and about 20 years old. They have been approved by DPW and Engineering. All 190 residents have signed and had notarized the release deed document and then they will have to be recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds. The acceptance of the streets will add a small amount of Chapter 90 money. Councilor Allie thanked Councilor Onyski for his hard work on this matter as well as the 190 residents who signed and supported it. Councilor Matthews-Kane questioned if the streets are accepted will the City be responsible for the half of a million dollars in repairs as presented on the letter from City Engineer Mark Cressotti. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that no repairs have been identified that cost is for repairs that may be needed and puts them in line with other public roads repairs. Councilor Beltrandi informed the Council that the City is already taking care of the streets and that by accepting the street the City will receive Chapter 90 money. Councilor Flaherty thanked Councilor Onyski for taking on this project and questioned if the development of another site will bring in new money. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that by accepting the streets as public way it opens up a development of a building lot which will bring in approximately \$7,000.00 a year in additional taxes to the City. Councilor Morganelli thanked Councilor Onyski for his work on the project and explaining the process. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that not only did he work on the project but members of the Devon Manor Homeowners Association and Hillcrest Drive residents also helped get the signatures. The following called in and spoke in favor of the acceptance of the streets: Mr. John Romanelli, 79 Devon Terrace; Mr. James Papadimitriou, 12 Rachael Terrace.

With no others to be heard, and upon motion of Councilor Sullivan, it was VOTED: That the Public Hearing be CLOSED.

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was VOTED: That the acceptance of the streets be FAVORABLE, per voice vote.

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, for the Finance Committee, it was VOTED: That the sum of \$16,621.49 be appropriated from Free Cash to Emergency Management P/T Salary account #12910000-511010.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	No
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Figy informed the Council that the Emergency Management position is part time and went to full time for the COVID-19 pandemic and that the full time salary is reimbursable. Councilor Bean questioned if this is a salary position and what is this appropriation for. Councilor Figy informed the Council that the salary is \$20 a month usually and since the pandemic the Emergency Management Director has been working 70 hours a week. Councilor Bean question if it's a Union position with only 20 hours a month how is the position eligible for overtime. Councilor Figy informed the Council that the contract is for 20 hours a month and those hours have been all used up. Councilor Bean informed the Council that he did not understand that in other crisis situations the Director worked more than 20 hours and there was not an increase in the salary. Councilor Figy informed the Council that the past emergency crisis situations only lasted a few days, not months like the current COVID-19 pandemic. Councilor Adams informed the Council that the Director has kept many people alive with the supplies he provided, he has put in a lot of hours, he has done a wonderful job, the money will come back to the City because it is reimbursable and he extended a thank you to him for doing what he's doing. Councilor Flaherty agreed with Councilor Adams. He informed the Council that he is retiring this month and there is no one ready to take his place that has his leadership skills. Councilor Burns informed the Council that he appreciates everything Mr. Wiggs has done during this pandemic and that the Police and Fire said he was invaluable and that this is a minor amount of money for the 700 hours he has worked during the pandemic. Councilor Mello questioned if this would set up a precedence for other department heads. Councilor Mello agreed that Mr. Wiggs should be compensated for the many hours he worked. Councilor Allie informed the Council that this employee is paid for only 20 hours a month and there are no other employees that work 20 hours a month so it would not be setting a precedence. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that for 700 hours the pay is less than \$25.00 which is low for a professional and he has no problem approving the appropriation. Councilor Sullivan agreed Mr. Wiggs did a phenomenal job and doesn't have a problem with it because it is reimbursable, but also questioned if this would set a precedence because the Health Director Joe Rouse also put in

several extra hours and would he be compensated. Councilor Bean informed the Council that he's not supporting the appropriation because the person took the position for 20 hours and that he is concerned it is a Union position and that plenty of people worked tirelessly during the COVID-19 pandemic. Councilor Mello questioned if there was another mechanism that doesn't set a precedence. Councilor Bean informed the Council that he did not think so and it's a little late to figure it out. Councilor Harris reiterated that the appropriation is reimbursable from the State and that she would support the appropriation and then at another time Councilor Bean's concerns should be looked into.

Upon motion of Councilor Figy, for the Finance Committee, it was VOTED: That the Mayor be ALLOWED to transfer money between departments and within departments and also between personal services and expenses for the purpose of expediting transfers up to \$10,000.00 and eliminating the need to carryover over payments into FY21.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Figy informed the Council that this is an annual vote. There was no amount on the letter from the Mayor and that Councilor Flaherty had suggested the limit be \$5,000.00 but it's usual to set the amount to \$10,000.00. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that he suggested \$5,000.00 because sometimes things get moved around and broken up into smaller transfers not to hit the maximum amount. He informed the Council that last year the Law Department paid a legal bill that was over \$10,000.00 because it was broken up into separate requests. He requested that a report be given to show what the transfers were used for. Councilor Matthews-Kane questioned why this was an annual vote. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that this is money that is not spent in the current year departmental budgets and it gives the Mayor the ability to sweep money out of those accounts to pay other line items and that it is a common practice all over the state.

Upon motion of Councilor Burns, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was VOTED: That a Resolution entitled "A "RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTFIELD AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DEVELOPMENT WITH WAL-MART FOR EXTENSION OF SIDEWALKS" be ADOPTED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Burns informed the Council that the signal improvement project on Route 20/Springfield Road being paid for by a grant from Massworks, did not originally have the extension of sidewalks on to the Wal-Mart property and this will allow for the extension of the sidewalks beyond the state highway layout onto the Wal-Mart to connect with onsite pedestrian access. Councilor Mello questioned who is responsible for the snow removal on the sidewalks. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that it will be the owner of the property, the same for all owners of property.

Upon motion of Councilor Burns, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (to revise Ordinance No.1567, Article 2, section 37, "persons requesting appropriation, ordinances, etc. to make a statement.") be given first reading by title only.

The Ordinance was given first reading by title and upon motion of Councilor Burns, it was

VOTED: That the Ordinance be PASSED TO SECOND READING.

Prior to the vote, Councilor Burns informed the Council that the amendment is relative to immediate consideration of an appropriation allowing for a written statement from either the Mayor or the Department Head whereas currently as written the Mayor or Department must come in person before the Council for an immediate consideration of an appropriation. Councilor Figy informed the Council that he requested this amendment because it is common practice of the Council now to accept a written statement. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that when a grant is coming in for immediate consideration the Mayor gives a written statement and this amendment codifies it. Councilor Flaherty explained that this is for appropriations only, not grants, and that appropriations requesting immediate consideration are rare and that the Mayor and/or Department Head should be present to answer questions. Councilor Allie informed the Council that usually the Mayor does give an explanation to the Chair of the Finance Committee to be presented to the Council and that if need be the item can be referred to Finance Committee. Councilor Figy informed the Council that after the Mayor gives an explanation to the Chair of Finance Committee, if need be the Department Head will

be called into the meeting. Councilor Morganelli expressed he has mixed feelings on the amendment. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that if the Mayor was not present tonight to explain the immediate consideration of the \$1.5 million he would not have supported it. Councilors Mello and Matthews-Kane shared Councilor Flaherty's concerns. Councilor Onyski explained that it still does need unanimous consent for an immediate consideration. It's just a way for expediency when needed. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that it's a disservice to rush things through.

Councilor Adams, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, offered a motion, which was duly seconded to revise Ordinance No. 1567 Article I, Section 27(a)(2) "L&O Committee". Councilor Adams informed the Council that the L & O committee would investigate and give recommendation on all resolutions, ordinance and orders, except financial orders. Councilor Flaherty if Bond Orders are included. Councilor Figy informed the Council that he did not take bond orders into consideration. Councilor Allie questioned if the language, except bond orders could be added. Councilor Adams suggested that the item remain in committed. Councilor Onyski expressed his concern that this is trying to fix something that is not broken and that it is working out fine the way it is.

Upon motion of Councilor Adams, it was

VOTED: That the item REMAIN IN COMMITTEE to address the Bond Order issue.

Upon motion of Councilor Adams, for the Legislative and Ordinance Committee, it was

VOTED: That a Special Purpose Schools of Westfield Stabilization Fund NOT be established.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	No
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Prior to the vote, Councilor Adams informed the Council that, per Assistant City Solicitor Shanna Reed, the wording submitted by Councilor Flaherty on where the money is going to go is insufficient and if this type of a fund is being done for the School Department then other departments are going to want the same kind of fund. Councilor Matthews-Kane asked what the Superintendent's view is on this. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that the Superintendent is against doing this. Councilor Figy informed the Council that the Mayor can put the money where he wants it to go and that he was originally for this an now changed

his mind on it. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that the school has \$600,000.00 from this year's money and he was trying to help them retain that money.

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was
VOTED: That Orders accepting and laying out Devon Terrace, Gloria Drive, Hillary Lane, Nancy Circle, Frank Circle, Rachael Terrace and Hillcrest Circle, so-called, as City Ways be given second reading by title only.

The Orders were given second reading by title only and upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That the Orders be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was
VOTED: That Order entitled "AN ORDER APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF NINETEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY (\$19,750.00) DOLLARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECORDING RELEASE DEEDS TO BE ABLE TO ACCEPT CERTAIN STREETS AS PUBLIC WAYS" be given second reading by title only.

The Order given second reading by title only and upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That the Order be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 17 Section 17-93 Left Lane must turn left: Southwick Road, northbound at approximately sta 06+58R and Mill Street, southbound at Southwick Road) be given second reading by title only.

The Ordinance was given second reading by title and upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That the Ordinance be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WESTFIELD, ADOPTED JUNE 17, 1993" (Chapter 17 Section 17-94 Right Lane must turn right: Mill Street southbound at Southwick Road) be given second reading by title only.

The Ordinance was given second reading by title and upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was

VOTED: That the Ordinance be PASSED TO BE ORDAINED.

The vote on the foregoing was as follows:

Nicholas Morganelli, Jr.	Yes
William Onyski	Yes
Richard Sullivan, Jr.	Yes
James Adams	Yes
Dan Allie	Yes
Brent Bean II	Yes
John Beltrandi III	Yes
Michael Burns	Yes
Ralph Figy	Yes
Dave Flaherty	Yes
Cindy Harris	Yes
Bridget Matthews-Kane	Yes
Kristen Mello	Yes

Upon motion of Councilor Bean, it was

VOTED: That all ordinances and licensing around outdoor dining be reviewed and be REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE and LAW DEPARTMENT.

Councilor Bean informed the Council that he would like to see what is on the books and have it amended if needed due to the reopening of restaurants due to COVID-19. Councilor Matthews-Kane submitted a letter from Jonathon McHatton, 42 Arnold Street in favor of a fast track for the reopening of restaurants. Councilor Flaherty informed the Council that outdoor dining came up a year ago and is in favor of a fast track option and informed the Council on his concern for those businesses in the CORE district able to use City property whereas other businesses not in the CORE have to use their own property. He informed the Council to look at liabilities relative to using a public way when amending the ordinance. Councilor Harris questioned if the Health Department should be involved for the regulations relative to the service of food. Councilor Bean agreed and upon motion of Councilor Bean, it was VOTED: to amend the above motion to also have the item REFERRED TO HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Councilor Sullivan spoke in support of the fast tracking during COVID-19 and informed the Council that the licensing of the alcohol still has to happen within the License Commission, per the State guidelines. Councilor Adams agreed to fact track it and to also look at the liabilities. Councilor Onyski informed the Council that the Ordinance passed last year addressed the liability issue. Councilor Mello requested that parity among the businesses be established.

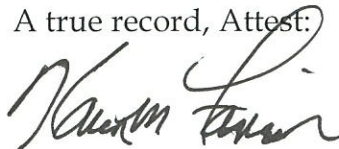
Upon motion of Councilor Bean, it was

VOTED: That the motion of Councilors Bean and Figy to request the Mayor to consider using Stabilization and Free Cash when building the FY2021 budget and Refer to Mayor and Finance Committee be WITHDRAWN.

Councilor Figy informed the Council that the Finance Committee of the Whole budget review and Public Hearing on the budget have been posted and all meetings will be held via ZOOM.

At 9:18 PM, and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was VOTED: To ADJOURN.

A true record, Attest:



Karen M. Fanion
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

Presented to the Mayor

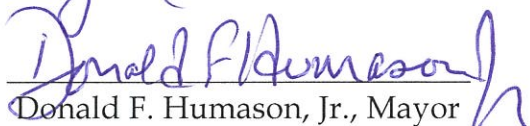
Approved by the Mayor

For approval June 18 2020



Karen M. Fanion, City Clerk

June 24 2020



Donald F. Humason, Jr., Mayor