CITY OF WORCESTER
AGENDA OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, November 10, 2026
Esther Howland (South) Chamber
6:30 P.M.

MAYOR
Joseph M. Petty

AT-LARGE COUNCILORS
Morris A. Bergman
Khrystian E. King
Satya B. Mitra
Gary Rosen
Kathleen M. Toomey

DISTRICT COUNCILORS
Tony Economou - District 1
Robert A. Bilotta - District 2
John P. Fresolo - District 3
Luis A. Ojeda - District 4
Jose A. Rivera - District 5

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1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2. **STAR SPANGLED BANNER**

3. ROLL CALL

4. PROCLAMATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, MOMENTS OF SILENCE

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5a Adopt

5a. Order - That the City Council of the City of Worcester hereby approves the minutes of the City Council Meeting of October 13, 2026.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - a person may speak for no more than two (2) minutes on any items appearing on the agenda

6a. Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 and in order to ensure active, public engagement, the City of Worcester currently allows for both in-person and remote participation at all City Council and Standing Committee meetings. To partake in the "Public Participation" section of the meeting, you may attend the meeting in-person within the meeting location, follow the below link to join via Zoom or dial the direct line as indicated. If you join a Zoom meeting by dialing in with a phone number, you can raise your hand by dialing *9.

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7. HEARINGS AND ORDERS - 6:30 P.M.

7a Hold Hearings and Adopt

7a. Hearing: CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location at: 135 KENBERMA RD.

Granting permission to CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location at: 135 KENBERMA RD.

7b. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: MAIN ST.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: MAIN ST.

7c. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: NEWBURY ST.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: NEWBURY ST.

8. PETITIONS - Part I - a Petitioner may speak up to three (3) minutes the first time their petition appears on an agenda

8a Refer to Planning Board

8a. Donald J. O'Neil on behalf of 416 Belmont St., LLC request the zoning map be amended to include the premises situated at 416 Belmont St. (MBL #17-012-01 + 03), 5 Alvarado Ave. (MBL #17-012-00004), 7 Alvarado Ave. (MBL #17-012-00006) and 6 Coburn Ave. (MBL #17-012-05 + 07) within the Commercial Corridor Overlay Zoning District (CCOD).

8b Refer to Public Health and Human Services Committee

8b. Emily Hughes and Oliana Prado Gleckel request installation of Community Clothing Closets in the vicinity of Woo Fridges to provide individuals with comfortable and weather-appropriate clothing.

8c - 8j Refer to Public Works Committee

8c. Gete Alamdew request installation of a streetlight on the existing pole located directly in front of 424 Granite St.

8d. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Bruce Trotta request sidewalk resurfacing on the even side of Biltmore Rd.

8e. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Bruce Trotta request street resurfacing on Biltmore Rd.

8f. Richard Pascarelli et al. request private way temporary repairs on Mohican Rd.

8g. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request Sturgis St. be resurfaced.

8h. Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk repair at the corner of New York St. and Delaware St.

8i. Samuel Kirua request the fire hydrant located on Gibbs St. at Weldon Ave. be moved to between the driveways located at 53 and 55 Gibbs St.

8j. Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk installation on Clover St. from South Ludlow St. to Heard St.

8k - 8z Refer to Traffic and Parking Committee

8k. Robin Adams request installation of speed humps in the vicinity of the intersection of Burncoat St. and Apthorp St.

8l. Vanessa Serrano request removal of the bus stop in front of 10 Everett Gaylord Blvd.

8m. James Alexandre request installation of speed humps on Arlington St.

8n. James Alexandre request increased speed enforcement on Arlington St.

8o. Richard Pascarelli request installation of signage indicting Mohican Rd. is a private way at all of its entrances.

8p. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a crosswalk across North Pkwy. at its intersection with Davidson Rd.

8q. Tayla Cusson request installation of flashing pedestrian crosswalk signage at the crosswalk in the vicinity of 250 Webster St.

8r. Tayla Cusson request installation of 25 MPH speed limit signage on Knox St.

8s. Tayla Cusson request installation of speed humps on Knox St.

8t. Francisco Crisostomo Arias request installation of two (2) speed humps on Laurel St., at each intersection with Everett Gaylord Blvd.

8u. Francisco Crisostomo Arias request installation of two (2) crosswalks across Laurel St. at each intersection with Everett Gaylord Blvd.

8v. Mary Stanley request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 89 Plantation St.

8w. Natasha Houston request a traffic study be conducted in the vicinity of 480 Salisbury St. to determine appropriate speed calming measures for the area, including the installation of a traffic control signal, installation of a stop sign, or installation of speed humps.

8x. Richard Labak request speed hump construction on Standish St. be reviewed to ensure speed humps are not installed in the vicinity of 5 Standish St. and are instead installed twenty (20) ft. south towards Cohasset St., due to flooding concerns.

8y. Jose A. Ortega request installation of speed humps on Marsh Ave.

9. PETITIONS - Part II

9a - 9z Refer to Traffic and Parking Committee

9a. Oscar Cavanzo request removal of the handicap parking space in front of 37 Plantation St.

9b. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of stop signage at the intersection of Flint Pond Rd. and Westborough St.

9c. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of speed humps on Flint Pond Rd. in the vicinity of 8 Flint Pond Rd.

9d. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on the northeast side of Blackstone River Rd. that encompasses 25 and 29 Blackstone River Rd.

9e. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Christine Ciociolo request installation of a stop sign and stop bar on Academy Rd. at its intersection with Metcalf St.

9f. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Alex Nicholson request a traffic and speed study be conducted on Salisbury St. at its intersection with Flagg St. to determine the best and most practical methods available for speed calming at the location.

9g. Councilor Tony Economou request the double yellow lines on Barry Rd. Ext. be repainted.

9h. Councilor Tony Economou request double yellow lines be painted on West Chester St.

9i. Henry Martin and Gary Olson request installation of two (2) speed humps on Northboro St.

9j. Natasha Houston request installation of "Watch Children; Autistic Child at Play" signage in the vicinity of 480 Salisbury St.

9k. Arber Gozhina request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 92 Shrewsbury St.

9l. Lillian Bertone request the existing residential permit parking zone permissions be extended to include the residential building located at 1002-1008A Main St., 2-2A Marble St., and 3-3A Clement St.

9m. Brian Dutremble request installation of signage indicating left turns from Salisbury St. onto Park Ave. are protected turns when there is a green light.

9n. Patrick Grady request installation of flashing beacons at the crosswalk located at the intersection of Mill St. and Ball St. in the vicinity of Coes Pond/Stearns Tavern.

9o. Victor Torres et al. request installation of resident permit parking on Sycamore St.

9p. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Kelly Lynch request installation of speed humps on Nizam Dr.

9q. Damaris Acevedo request installation of a green arrow at the traffic control signal located at the intersection of Salisbury St. and Grove St. in all directions.

9r. Damaris Acevedo request installation of a green arrow at the traffic control signal located at the intersection of May St. and Park Ave. in all directions.

9s. Damaris Acevedo request installation of a green arrow at the traffic control signal located at the intersection of Chandler St. and June St. in all directions.

9t. Kevin Sanders et al. request installation of wayfinding signage in the vicinity of The Lakeshore Condominiums, located at 65 Lake Ave., for the purpose of directing hospital visitors to the correct location of UMass Memorial Medical Center, located at 55 Lake Ave. North.

9u. Councilor Satya B. Mitra on behalf of Bridgette Murphy request installation of speed humps in the vicinity of 10 Westport Rd.

9v. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta on behalf of Bernadette Forget request installation of a crosswalk on Merrifield St. in the vicinity of 9 Merrifield St.

9w. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Cathy DeCaire request installation of a “Right Turn Only” lane on Goddard Memorial Dr. before Parsons Hill Dr. and after Beatrice Dr.

9x. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Cathy DeCaire request installation of "Right Turn Only" signage for vehicles exiting Beatrice Dr. onto Goddard Memorial Dr.

9y. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Colin O'Connor request installation of rapid flashing beacons at the existing crosswalk at the intersection of Burncoat St. and King Philip Rd., in the interest of public safety.

9z. Councilor Jose A. Rivera request a 20 mph School Zone be established on Main St. at Our Lady of the Angels School, 1222 Main St.

10. PETITIONS - Part III

10a - 10c Refer to Traffic and Parking Committee

10a. Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey request installation of a diagonal crosswalk at Lincoln Square, as the majority of pedestrians moving from one Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (MCPHS) campus to another are walking diagonally.

10b. Councilor Morris A. Bergman request installation of a stop sign at the top of Oak Hill Rd. and Aylesbury Rd.

10c. Councilor Morris A. Bergman request installation of speed humps on Aylesbury Rd.

10d and 10e Set Hearing for November 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

10d. NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: 116 RODNEY ST.

10e. NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: 124 RODNEY ST.

10f. Frederick Rushton, Esq., attorney for Richard Bradshaw, request adoption of an ordinance authorizing the establishment and operation of licensed cannabis social consumption establishments within the City of Worcester, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G, Section 3(b)(3), and the regulations promulgated by the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission.

11. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

11.1 APPOINTMENTS
Non-City Council Confirmation

Informational Communication

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to the appointment of Danielle E. Delgado to the Community Preservation Committee.

Informational Communication

B. Transmitting informational communication relative to the reappointment of Asuncion (Shonee) Austriaco to the Elder Affairs Commission.

Informational Communication

C. Transmitting informational communication relative to the appointment of Richard Mattioli to Constable.

Informational Communication

D. Transmitting informational communication relative to the appointment of Kevin Derry to Constable.

11.2 APPOINTMENTS
City Council Confirmation

Recommend Appointment

A. Recommend reappointment of Benetta Kuffour to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees.

Recommend Appointment

B. Recommend reappointment of Isabelo Cruz, Ammar Asbahi, Michael Richard, Theodore Kostas, and Casey Thomas to the Citizens Advisory Council.

11.3 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
William Bagley, Jr., Esq., Chief Human Resources Officer

11.4 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Peter Dunn, Chief Development Officer

Recommend Adoption

A. Recommend adoption of resolution for a Housing Development Certified Project Application and consideration of a Tax Increment Exemption Agreement for 27 Chandler St. and 53 Irving St.

11.5 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION
Kevin Lovaincy, Chief Equity Officer

11.6 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION
Division of Human Rights and Accessibility
Patricia M. LaFore, Director

11.7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Administration Division
John K. Westerling, Commissioner

11.8 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Engineering and Architectural Services Division
John K. Westerling, Commissioner

11.9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
Operations Division
John K. Westerling, Commissioner

11.10 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CEMETERY
Robert C. Antonelli, Jr., Commissioner

Informational Communication

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to Forestry Update on Tree Inspection Response Times.

11.11 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY
Stephen S. Rolle, P.E., Commissioner

11.12 FIRE DEPARTMENT
Martin Dyer, Fire Chief

11.13 POLICE DEPARTMENT
Paul B. Saucier, Police Chief

11.14 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
Charles R. Goodwin, Commissioner

11.15 LAW DEPARTMENT
Alexandra H. Kalkounis, Esq., City Solicitor

Informational Communication

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to rodeo draft ordinance.

11.16 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES
Administration
Nicholas Antanavica, Commissioner

11.17 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES
Building and Zoning Division
David Horne, Deputy Building Commissioner

11.18 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES
Housing and Health Inspections Division
Lee R. Hall, Director

11.19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Administration
Seema Dixit, Commissioner

Informational Communication

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to the relocation of the Division of Veterans Services.

Informational Communication

B. Transmitting informational communication relative to 2026 Veterans Day Events.

11.20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division of Elder Affairs
Amy Vogel Waters, Director

11.21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division of Veterans Services
Alex R. Arriaga, Interim Veterans Services Director

11.22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division of Youth Opportunities
Raquel Castro-Corazzini, Director

11.23 WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
Jason L. Homer, Executive Director

11.24 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
Election Commission Division
Nikolin Vangjeli, City Clerk

11.25 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Brian Allen, Superintendent

11.26 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Administration
Timothy McGourthy, Chief Financial Officer

Informational Communication

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to August 2026 Financial Update.

Recommend Adoption

B. Recommend City Council review two (2) proposed regulations related to the FY27 Tax Classification package, with a further recommendation for City Council to adopt the preferred regulation.

Informational Communication

C. Transmitting informational communication relative to FAQ on FY27 Tax Rate.

Recommend Adoption

D. Recommend City Council review two (2) proposed adjustments related to the FY27 Budget, with a further recommendation for City Council to adopt the preferred adjustment.

Recommend Adoption

E. Recommend adoption of an order relative to the Elderly Exemption Program.

Informational Communication

F. Transmitting informational communication relative to $1M Investment in Street & Sidewalk Resurfacing.

11.27 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Assessing Division
Samuel E. Konieczny, City Assessor

11.28 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Budget Office Division
Erin E. Taylor, Director

11.29 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Purchasing Division
Christopher Gagliastro, Director

11.30 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
Treasury and Collections Division
Francisco Hernandez, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

11.31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES
James Bedard, Chief of Public Facilities

11.32 DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE
John W. Odell, Chief Sustainability Officer

11.33 DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY
Michael P. Hamel, Chief Information Officer

11.34 FINANCE ITEMS
Capital Transfers

11.35 FINANCE ITEMS
Grants and Donations

Recommend Adoption

A. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of up to Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($350,000.00) from the National Endowment for the Humanities under the Collections Stewardship program.

Recommend Adoption

B. Recommend approval of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars and Twenty-Five Cents ($192,247.25) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, State 911 Department, under the Primary Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) grant program.

Recommend Adoption

C. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($200,000) from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Second Education (DESE) for the Recreation Worcester program.

Recommend Adoption

D. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and No Cents ($23,800.00) from the United Way of Central Massachusetts for the Worcester Cares 4 Kids (WC4K) program.

Recommend Adoption

E. Recommend adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents ($500.00) from the Greater Worcester Community Foundation on behalf of the Clarence S. Arms Family Fund.

11.36 FINANCE ITEMS
Operational Transfers

Recommend Adoption

A. Recommend that Thirty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents ($39,124.88) be transferred to and from various CDBG grant accounts.

11.37 FINANCE ITEMS
Prior Year

Recommend Adoption

A. Recommend that Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Four Dollars and Sixty Cents ($11,204.60) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1062, Treasury Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.

Recommend Adoption

B. Recommend that Two Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Eighty-Eight Cents ($2,849.88) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1031, Department of Innovation and Technology Ordinary Maintenance, to provide funding for the payment of a prior year invoice.

Recommend Adoption

C. Recommend that One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Seventeen Cents ($1,773.17) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1078, Parks Ordinary Maintenance, to allow payment of prior year invoices.

Recommend Adoption

D. Recommend that Twenty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents ($27,819.48) be authorized from various Fiscal Year 2027 Department of Public Works cost centers for the payment of prior year invoices.

Recommend Adoption

E. Recommend that One Thousand Seventy-Nine Dollars and Twenty-Six Cents ($1,079.26) be authorized from Fiscal year 2027 Cost Center #CC1049, Youth Opportunities Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.

Recommend Adoption

F. Recommend that Six Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents ($696.95) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1044, Fire Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.

11.38 FINANCE
Loan Orders

11.39 MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA TRANSMITTALS

12. CHAIRMAN'S ORDERS

12a - 12m Adopt

12a. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing the pros and cons of exempting developers who are building for-sale housing units from the city's Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance's three (3) percent payment in lieu of constructing affordable housing for housing developments.

12b. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing best methods practiced by other cities and towns to mitigate owned cats from roaming freely throughout the city. Further, request said report include an estimated cost analysis to implement and enforce such potential regulation changes and any incentives for pet owners to spay/neuter their cats.

12c. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Health and Human Services provide City Council with a report detailing xylazine related overdoses in the city.

12d. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install statutory 20 ft. No Parking Anytime signage at the intersection of West St. and William St.

12e. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility paint stop bar at the stop sign on Valley Hill Ln. at the intersection of Valley Hill Dr.

12f. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility paint double yellow traffic lines for 50 ft. on Valley Hill Ln. at the intersection of Valley Hill Dr.

12g. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide traffic enforcement at the intersection of Valley Hill Ln. and Valley Hill Dr.

12h. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility evaluate and install appropriate traffic warning signage at the intersection of Englewood Ave. and Minthorne St.

12i. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility implement a protected left turn phasing for Mountain St. East and Mountain St. West at West Boylston St., pending funding.

12j. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility consider reviewing Apthorp St. as a potential location for speed humps.

12k. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install flex posts at the intersection of Hamilton St. and Fairmont Ave.

12l. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility design and construct a curb extension on Hamilton St. at its intersection with Fairmont Ave., pending funding.

12m. FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility review the traffic directionalities of Fairmont Ave. and Ingleside Ave. for the feasibility of reversing said directionalities.

13. ORDERS

13a. Request City Manager consider working with the city's colleges and universities to establish a program wherein graduates of said colleges and universities who work for the City of Worcester or Worcester Public Schools receive student loan repayment or forgiveness assistance after completing at least five (5) years of work. Further, request City Manager consider creating a fund for such a program as part of each college/university's Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement. (Mitra)

13b. Request City Manager consider creating an emergency preparedness plan to ensure the city is prepared to properly protect and educate residents during any emergencies, demonstrations or civil moments of unrest, as such events are occurring throughout Europe. (Toomey)

13c. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Inspectional Services provide increased code enforcement, including imposing fines as appropriate, at 256 Lincoln St. to address lack of property maintenance. (Bilotta)

13d. Request City Manager request Chief Development Officer provide City Council with a report concerning how the city can recruit developers to build in Worcester due to restrictive zoning policies in effect in Boston (see attached). (Toomey)

13e. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Parks review the utility patch work on Dana Ave. to ensure proper grading of the road is completed prior to the end of the construction season. Further, request the road in front of 198-206 Dana Ave. be specifically reviewed to ensure curb-to-curb paving is completed. (Fresolo)

13f. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility provide City Council with a report detailing an action plan that ensures parents/guardians do not park in the "No Parking Anytime" zones on Grafton St. and surrounding Roosevelt Elementary School, located at 1006 Grafton St., when picking up and dropping off their children during the winter months, as cones currently in place are scheduled to be removed for plowing purposes. (Fresolo)

13g. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility provide City Council with a report detailing potential solutions the city can implement to increase walkability in the city. Said review should include but not be limited to 1) adding flashing yellow lights to all crosswalks that are not at stop light or stop sign intersections and/or middle of road crosswalks; 2) changing the crosswalk system to activate with green lights, similar to New York City; and 3) adding diagonal crosswalks, where appropriate. (Economou)

13h. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works reach out to the developer of the housing units on Marmion Ave. to ensure the contractor repairs the pothole created by construction vehicles traveling on that section of the roadway near King Philip Rd. (Economou)

13i. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility ensure reflective tape is placed at appropriate locations in the vicinity of new permanent speed humps until such a time that permanent markings are painted. (Economou)

13j. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility repaint the crosswalk at the intersection of Sturgis St. and Lincoln St. (Bilotta)

13k. Request City Manager provide City Council with an update concerning appointments to the city's Commission on Homelessness. (Bilotta)

13l. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility develop a plan to implement seasonal/summer pedestrian safety measures at the intersection of Lake Ave. and Anna St., in an effort to improve pedestrian safety and slow traffic on Lake Ave. (Bilotta)

13m. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Cemetery review the feasibility of installing lights at the downtown dog park on Foster St. (Bilotta)

13n. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Cemetery review the city's existing request-based street tree replacement policy with the goal of establishing an automatic replacement process for dead or removed street trees during the next available planting season, consistent with the goals of the Worcester Urban Forest Master Plan. Further, request abutting property owners be notified by postcard or other appropriate means and provided an opportunity to opt out of the replacement wherein if no response is received within the designated notification period, the replacement proceeds. (Rivera)

13o. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to review and make recommendations concerning providing students at Worcester Dual Language Magnet School, located at 525 Chandler St., with a safe student drop-off area during construction associated with the lowering of the water aqueduct in the area. (Rivera)

13p. Request City Manager provide City Council with an update concerning a previously adopted order on February 24, 2026, which read, “Request City Manager provide City Council with a report and draft ordinance to allow those with a veteran license plate and/or placard to park for free at city on-street meters and surface lots. Further, request said report include information concerning whether any reduction in revenue would be realized, as well as best practices used in other communities to ensure there is no abuse of the parking regulations from non-veterans.” (Bergman)

13q. Request City Manager review best practices in regard to further addressing public safety concerns caused by “swerving” and “playing chicken” with bicycles and e-bikes. (Bergman)

13r. Request City Manager request Commissioner of Emergency Communications and Management provide City Council with an update concerning Next Generation 911 (NG911). (Toomey)

13s. Request City Manager ensure the artifacts from the World War II Museum formerly located at Sullivan Middle School and founded by Nate Mencow be located and stored for future display in a Worcester Public School. (Bergman)

14. RESOLUTION

14a. That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby go on record recognizing Worcester resident, veteran of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and Army National Guard Brig. Gen. Richard P. Cipro, for taking command of the National Guard's 42nd Infantry Division headquartered in Troy, NY. (Rosen)

15. COMMUNICATION OF THE CITY CLERK

15a Accept

15a. Transmitting an informational communication regarding the filling of four (4) vacancies on the Library Board of Directors.

16. COMMUNICATIONS

16a and 16a Adopt on a roll call

16a. Kristi L. Turgeon, Clerk of the School Committee, transmitting a request for the City Council to authorize the Worcester Public Schools (WPS) and City of Worcester to approve an easement to National Grid for property situated on the northeasterly side of Oberlin Street and the northwesterly side of Woodland Street.

16b. Kristi L. Turgeon, Clerk of the School Committee, transmitting a request for the City Council to authorize the Worcester Public Schools (WPS) and City of Worcester to enter into a five (5) year lease agreement for ten (10) special education buses to support vehicle replacement cycles and ensure continuous specialized transportation services.

17. REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

17a Refer to Public Works Committee

17a. REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Paul Foster request Marmion Ave., from Kalmar St. north to King Philip Rd., be converted from a private street to a public street.

18. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

18a - 18e Advertise proposed Ordinances

18a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Petition of Todd Rodman request to change the underlying zoning classification for the following properties from Manufacturing, General (MG 2.0) to Business, General (BG 3.0) in accordance with the attached plan: 1) 7 Brookfield St. (MBL 13-038-00002); 2) 8 Brookfield St. (MBL 13-039-00007); 3) 19 Glennie St. (MBL 13-30C-00010); 4) 284 Grove St. (MBL 13-039-00008); 5) 288 Grove St. (MBL 13-032-02+09); 6) 300 Grove St. (MBL 13-032-10+11); 7) 278 Grove St. (MBL 09-026-0000C); 8) 270 Grove St. (MBL 09-026-00045); 9) 15 North St. (MBL 09-026-00026); 10) 4R Powers Ct. (MBL 09-026-00023); 11) 4A Powers Ct. (MBL 09-026-0023A); 12) 4 Brookfield St. (MBL 09-020-00021); and 13) 2 Powers Ct. (MBL 09-026-00025): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

18b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Petition of Todd Rodman request to change the underlying zoning classification for the following properties from Manufacturing, General (MG 2.0) to Residential, General (RG - 5), in accordance with the attached plan: 1) 15 Milton St. (MBL 13-039-00004); 2) 17 Milton St. (MBL 13-039-00005); and 3) 19 Milton St. (MBL 13-039-00006): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

18c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Petition of Meletios Chacharone request to amend the City of Worcester Zoning Map by changing the zoning designation of the property known as and located at 455 Grove St. (MBL: 20-030-46+47) owned by CP 58 Gardner Street, LLC from the current split zoning designation of partially RL-7, Residence, Limited, and partially BG-3.0, Business, General, to be entirely BG-3.0, Business, General, as shown on the attached plan: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

18d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Amended Communication of the City Manager recommend adoption of a zoning map amendment relative to Belmont Street / Plantation Street Corridor: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

18e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Petition of Jonathan Finkelstein on behalf of Centro Las Americas, Inc, request the Zoning Map be amended by extending the BG-3 zoning district and CCOD-E overlay district to wholly encompass 9, 15 and 25 Charlton St.; 26, 38, 42 and 46 Hermon St.; and 0 Beacon St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

19. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

19a - 19g Accept

19a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Petition of Cristina DePina request regulations be established to ensure cats are not allowed to roam freely: recommend Petition be placed on file.

19b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Petition of Brian Dutremble request the banning of the sale of miniature alcohol bottles, or "nips," in the city to reduce litter and alcohol abuse: recommend Petition be placed on file.

19c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Order of Councilor Gary Rosen and Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services review Metrik, the Commonwealth's new public health data and workflow platform. With Metrik, the Department of Public Health (DPH) strives to help municipalities reduce administrative burdens, improve visibility into local trends, enhance the ability of communities to provide efficient and effective public health services, and ensure access to the same secure, high-quality reporting tools throughout the Commonwealth: recommend Order be placed on file.

19d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Order of Councilor Gary Rosen - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services meet with representatives of the Department of Public Health, the Division of Youth Opportunities, the Worcester Police Department and the seven (7) city teens who worked on the city's Sticker Shock Campaign, for the purpose of discussing the successes of the program and further supporting similar initiatives in the future. Said Sticker Shock Campaign is designed to discourage adults from purchasing alcohol for minors, reinforce ID checks at the point of sale, is a youth-led public health effort aimed at curbing underage drinking before it starts, and is part of a broader set of prevention initiatives combining education, enforcement and community outreach: recommend Order be placed on file.

19e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Order of Councilor Gary Rosen, Councilor Morris A. Bergman, Councilor Robert A. Bilotta, Councilor Tony Economou, Councilor John P. Fresolo, Councilor Khrystian E. King, Councilor Satya B. Mitra, Councilor Luis A. Ojeda, Councilor Jose A. Rivera, Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey and Mayor Joseph M. Petty - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold one or more public hearings, far in advance of next winter, in an effort to help the city identify and to secure a sufficient number of safe and secure emergency shelter locations that serve the needs of the unhoused population during the winter of 2026-2027. Further, request said public hearings should also focus on strategies to increase the number of individuals who volunteer at said emergency shelter locations as well as training for said individuals: recommend Order be placed on file.

19f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting Informational Communication Relative to the City of Worcester Opioid Allocation: recommend Communication be placed on file.

19g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to the Worcester Senior Center: recommend Communication be placed on file.

20. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

20a - 20c Accept and Adopt on a roll call

20a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Asaad Challab request sewer extension of approximately eighty-five (85) feet for 72A and 72B Arlington St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

20b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Donald J. O'Neil, Attorney, on behalf of Tiffany Nguyen request extension, at the expense of the petitioner, the combined sewer main in Henchman St. from its current terminus, near the vicinity of Moen St. and Henchman St., easterly a distance of approximately 146 feet to provide sewer service to the petitioner's properties located at 1 Frederick St. and 114 Lincoln St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

20c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Donald J. O'Neil, Attorney, on behalf of Tiffany Nguyen request extension, at the expense of the petitioner, the combined sewer main in Henchman St. from its current terminus, near the vicinity of the intersection of Moen St. and Henchman St., easterly a distance of approximately 40' to provide sewer service to the petitioner's land: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - PART I

21a - 21j Accept and Adopt

21a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Igor Bison request installation of "No Parking Here to Corner" signage at the intersection of Rodney St. and Catharine St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of “No Parking” signage on both sides of Blackstone River Rd., 20’ from its intersection with Whipple St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of “No Parking” signage on both sides of Whipple St., 20’ from its intersection with Blackstone River Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request installation of “Not A Truck Route” signage at the intersection of West Chester St. and Chester St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request installation of “Not A Truck Route” signage at the intersection of Chester St. and Grove St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Robert Phillips request installation of a crosswalk on Reactory Dr. across from the existing sidewalk on the western side of the site entrance: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Report of the Committee on Public Works Upon the Petition of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj on behalf of Jeffery Mack request installation of an ADA compliant curb ramp on Heard St. across from its intersection with Waterman St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21h. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Christina Foley request installation of a crosswalk and flashing crosswalk alert signal at the intersection of Miscoe Rd. and Massasoit Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21i. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of two (2) permanent speed monitors on Belmont St., between Officer Manny Familia Way and Lincoln Sq., eastbound and westbound: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21j. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta and Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of bollards, curb extensions and/or another type of barrier on Hamilton St. from 96 Hamilton St. to its intersection with Fairmont Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

21k - 21z Accept

21k. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of David Corazzini request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 50 Bristol St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21l. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Nicole Colon request the handicap parking space in front of 34 Newbury St. be removed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21m. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Maria Castillo request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage at the driveway of 8 Chapin St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21n. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Igor Bison request the intersection of Rodney St. and Catharine St. be reviewed for appropriate parking restrictions, such as a permanent winter parking ban or "No Parking Anytime" signage: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21o. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Sara Espino request installation of four-way stop signage at the intersection of West St. and William St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21p. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of the residents of Valley Hill Dr. and Valley Hill Ln. request installation of three (3) way stop signs with stop bars at the intersection of Valley Hill Dr. and Valley Hill Ln., in the interest of public safety: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21q. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request installation of a stop sign on Clive St. at its intersection with Minthorne St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21r. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request installation of a stop sign on Englewood Ave. at its intersection with Minthorne St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21s. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request installation of a stop sign at the intersection of May St. and Lovell St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21t. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Dayana Mora request installation of One Hour Parking in front of 326 Shrewsbury St. from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21u. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Paul Lizotte request the permanent snow ban on Hamilton St. from Harrington Way to Coburn Ave. be removed or be modified to only encompass being in effect from Harrington Way to Middlesex Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21v. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request the existing winter parking ban provisions on Providence St. between Waverly St. and Winthrop St. be replaced with an odd side ban, when declared: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21w. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Chairman's Order from the Committee on Traffic and Parking - Request Standing Committee on Traffic and Parking review the feasibility of amending the permanent winter parking ban on Providence St. to be a declared winter parking ban: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21x. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Satya B. Mitra on behalf of Kalli Hess request installation of school safety zone signage in the vicinity of Thorndyke Road School, located at 30 Thorndyke Rd., including but not limited to signage indicating appropriate and inappropriate locations for vehicles to turn onto the road: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21y. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Janet Moore request installation of right traffic control signals at the intersection of Mountain St. East and Mountain St. West onto West Boylston St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

21z. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Rozann Fowler et al. request installation of fog lines on Lovell St. in the vicinity of Columbus Park Preparatory Academy, located at 75 Lovell St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

22. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - PART II

22a and 22b Accept

22a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Michelle Murphy request a traffic calming study be conducted in the vicinity of Apthorp St. specifically looking at issues related to speeding: recommend Petition be placed on file.

22b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request the installation of two (2) permanent speed monitors on Shrewsbury St., westbound and eastbound: recommend Petition be placed on file.

23. TO BE ORDAINED

23a - 23c Ordain on a roll call

23a. Amending Section 37(Q) Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Establish A Tow Zone On Portions Of Albany Street And Fantasia Drive.

23b. Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group A – Administrative and Supervisory for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group AA – Legislative for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group B – General Administrative for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group C – Information Services for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group D – Stores And Purchasing for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group E – Fiscal for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group EM – Executive Management (Merit Pay) for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group F – Inspection for the Public Health Educator Position.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group GA – Public Health Nursing Services for the Supervising Nurse, Public Health Position.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group H – Technicians for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group K – Library for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group L – Social Services for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group M – Recreation for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group N – Police for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group NA – Fire for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group O – Engineering And Allied for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group P – Foreman And Supervisor for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group Q – Trade Inspection for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group R – Laborer And Craftsman for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group S – Custodial for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group SA – Security for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group V – Election Officers for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group W – Miscellaneous for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group WT – Miscellaneous Temporary Pool for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group X – Human Services, Law Enforcement Public Health for Multiple Positions.

23c. Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996, Relative to Members of Local 495, NAGE.

24. HELD UNDER PRIVILEGE

24a. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide City Council with an update concerning previously requested additional information related to how the U.S. Department of Justice's report on the Worcester Police Department differs from the account of the municipality. (Held Under Privilege - King October 20, 2026)

25. TABLED ITEMS

25a. ORDER of Councilor Konstantina B. Lukes - Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a legal opinion regarding the process of instituting a residential rent control program and the resulting impact of implementing such a program. (Held Under Privilege - Lukes September 17, 2019 and September 24, 2019 and Tabled - Lukes October 15, 2019)

25b. RESOLUTION of Councilor Khrystian E. King - That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby support Representative Rebecca Rauch and Senator Sonia Chang-Diaz's SD 699 HD 1283, An Act effectuating equity in COVID-19 Vaccination Bill. (Held Under Privilege - Bergman February 9, 2021 and Tabled - Bergman February 23, 2021)

25c. ORDER of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj and Councilor Thu Nguyen - Request City Manager work with appropriate departments and stakeholders to establish an Office of Housing Stability in an effort to prevent the involuntary displacement of city residents who are in the process of being evicted or at the risk of losing their housing, as well as to enact policies to combat displacement, homelessness and enhance tenants' rights. (Held Under Privilege - Haxhiaj July 18, 2023 and Tabled - Haxhiaj August 22, 2023)

25d. PETITION of Gordon Davis request City Council request Standing Committee on Public Safety investigate the issue of systemic racism and public safety with public hearings included. (Tabled - Toomey May 14, 2024)

25e. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request City Manager conduct an equity audit of all city departments every five (5) years. (Held Under Privilege - Mero-Carlson December 10, 2024 and Held Under Privilege - Toomey December 17, 2024 and Tabled - Nguyen January 7, 2025)

26. BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the October 20, 2026 City Council meeting.

26a. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility provide City Council with a report concerning research and data related to why pedestrian hybrid beacons would be ruled out at the intersection of Fremont St., Canterbury St. and Cambridge St., if appropriate. – Item #16a CC Order adopted

26b. ORDER of Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey – Request Mayor consider creating an informational statement educating residents of the pros and cons of voting in favor or opposed to Question 8 on the State Election Ballot on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. – Item #16b CC Order adopted

26c. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with example ordinances from similarly populated municipalities related to imposing escalating fines on blighted properties. – Item #16c CC Order adopted

26d. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a report detailing the federal and state regulations related to zoning ordinances establishing locations to launch drones on publicly-owned land. – Item #16d CC Order adopted

26e. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager request Police Chief provide City Council with an update concerning previously requested additional information related to how the U.S. Department of Justice's report on the Worcester Police Department differs from the account of the municipality. – Item #16e CC Held Under Privilege

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Scheduled Meetings of the Standing Committees

Monday, Nov. 9, 2026 05:00 PM	**Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee** Chairperson Satya B. Mitra, Morris A. Bergman, Gary Rosen	Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026 05:00 PM	**Public Works Committee** Chairperson Tony Economou, John P. Fresolo, Satya B. Mitra	Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026 05:30 PM	**Traffic and Parking Committee** Chairperson Jose A. Rivera, Robert A. Bilotta, Luis A. Ojeda	Esther Howland (South) Chamber

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