

**CITY OF WORCESTER**  
**JOURNAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Tuesday, July 21, 2026**  
**Esther Howland (South) Chamber**  
**Convened: 6:08 P.M.**  
**Adjourned: 10:17 P.M.**

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**MAYOR**

Joseph M. Petty

**AT-LARGE COUNCILORS**

**Morris A. Bergman**  
**Khrystian E. King**  
**Satya B. Mitra**  
**Gary Rosen**  
**Kathleen M. Toomey**



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**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**

**CITY CLERK**

**Nikolin Vangjeli**

**CITY MANAGER**

**Eric D. Batista**

**CITY AUDITOR**

**Robert V. Stearns**

City Hall - 455 Main Street Worcester, Massachusetts

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**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. STAR SPANGLED BANNER**

**3. ROLL CALL - All present with the Mayor as the Chair.**

**4. PROCLAMATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, MOMENTS OF SILENCE**

**5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- 5a.** Order - That the City Council of the City of Worcester hereby approves the minutes of the City Council Meeting of June 16, 2026.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt items #5a CC and #5b CC. Order adopted**

- 5b.** Order - That the City Council of the City of Worcester hereby approves the minutes of the City Council Meeting of June 23, 2026.

**Order adopted (See Item #5a CC)**

## 6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**6a.** Mayor Petty read the item and recognized the following Speakers:

1. Mary Sacksteder, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
2. Fred Nathan, Worcester resident, neither in favor of nor opposed to items #10.35A CM through #10.35J CM
3. Tom Marino, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
4. Gary Hunter, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
5. Idella Hazard, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
6. Felicia Campanale, Worcester resident, spoke concerning an item not listed on the agenda
7. Abby Mortillaro, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
8. Kiara Munz, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #11a CC and spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
9. William Gardner, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
10. Ellen Shemitz, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
11. Elizabeth O'Callahan, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
12. Aretha Kharashquah, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
13. Janet Davis, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
14. Giselle Rivera-Flores, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
15. Roberto Diaz, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
16. Yadania Tino, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
17. Echo Louissaint Collins, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
18. Amy Ebbeson, Rutland resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
19. Margot Barnet, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
20. Sue Mailman, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
21. Andrew Marsh, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
22. Ashley Spring, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
23. Charles Hopkins, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM and spoke in favor of item #12e CC
24. David Coyne, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
25. Feanna Jattan-Singh, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
26. Amanda Cronin, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
27. Sheila Brenner, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
28. Mystie Greene, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
29. Jermoh Kamara, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
30. Gordon Jon Davis, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #9m CC
31. Gordon Davis, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #9m CC
32. Noah Meister, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
33. Tia Christina Kuffour, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #11a CC
34. Maydee Morales, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
35. Terri Kelley, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
36. Sarah Bertrand, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
37. Etel Haxhiaj, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
38. Tom Brenner, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM

39. Matthew Mullaney, Worcester resident, spoke concerning an item not listed on the agenda and spoke in favor of item #10.5A CM
40. Dr. Tasia Cerezo, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #8t CC
41. Randy Feldman, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
42. Deb Powers, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
43. Geoffrey Killebrew, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #13h CC and spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
44. Lynn Key, Millville resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
45. Noah (no last name given), Northampton resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
46. Wilson Lam, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of item #7g CC
47. Nelly Medina, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
48. Sean Manson, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor of nor opposed to item #12a CC
49. Benjamin (no last name given), Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM
50. David Webb, West Boylston resident, spoke in opposition to item #10.5A CM

## **7. PETITIONS - Part I**

- 7a. Lawrence O. Freed request removal of large stone deposits washed into Lake Quinsigamond from Coal Mine Brook (see attached).  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #7a CC through #7e CC to the Department of Public Works. Referred to the Department of Public Works.**
- 7b. Lawrence O. Freed request Poor Farm Brook Dam be removed for the purpose of increasing water flow to the brook and to mitigate the dying fish issue (see attached).  
**Referred to the Department of Public Works (See Item #7a CC)**
- 7c. Lawrence O. Freed request the stone wall located on Highland St. from Newton Sq. to Doherty Memorial High School be cleaned and repaired.  
**Referred to the Department of Public Works (See Item #7a CC)**
- 7d. Lawrence O. Freed request the two (2) stone columns at the entrance of Logan Field, located at 539 Mill St., be cleaned, repaired, and maintained.  
**Referred to the Department of Public Works (See Item #7a CC)**
- 7e. Lawrence O. Freed request the stone wall at Logan Field, located at 539 Mill St., along Mill St. and Airport Dr. be repaired.  
**Referred to the Department of Public Works (See Item #7a CC)**
- 7f. George Markopoulos on behalf of 95 Vernon Street LLC request the Zoning Map be amended to establish the Adaptive Reuse Overlay District (AROD) over the property located at 95 Vernon St. (MBL: 05-38B-U-101), currently located only within the Business,Office (BO-2.0) zoning district.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to the Planning Board. Referred to Planning Board**

- 7g.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Michael Brennan request street resurfacing on Pine View Ave.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #7g CC through #7p CC to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee**
- 7h.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Bill Metterville request sidewalk repair in front of Worcester State University, located at 486 Chandler St.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7i.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk resurfacing from 31 Mower St. to 67 Mower St.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7j.** Councilor Luis A. Ojeda request sidewalk resurfacing on Boyden St.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7k.** Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of streetlights on Wigwam Hill Dr.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7l.** Lawrence O. Freed request sidewalk repair on Mill St. from 503-505 Mill St. to Logan Field, located at 539 Mill St.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7m.** Mikeoll Echeverria on behalf of Stockton Street Development, LLC request sanitary sewer main extension on Stockton St. to serve a proposed two-unit residential development located on Lot 1 Stockton St. (Parcel ID: 10-007-0936A).  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7n.** David F. Dick, Jr. request walking path to Thorndyke Road School from the Lindale Rd. cul-de-sac to the southwest corner of Thorndyke Street School be repaired.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7o.** David F. Dick, Jr. request sidewalks be constructed on the northerly side of Rexhame Rd. between Burncoat St. and Beverly Rd.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7p.** Adela Melendez request existing sidewalk on Ararat St. be extended to include 139 Ararat St. to its intersection with Indian Hill Rd.  
**Referred to Public Works Committee (See Item #7g CC)**
- 7q.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Caitlyn Austin request installation of resident permit parking on Beaver Brook Pkwy.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #7q CC through #7z CC to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee, Traffic and Parking Committee**
- 7r.** Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of a "Go Slow Children" sign on the portion of Ames St. between Vernon St. and Stockton St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**

- 7s. Councilor Luis A. Ojeda on behalf of Brenda Jenkins request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 11 Benefit St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7t. Councilor Luis A. Ojeda on behalf of Brenda Jenkins request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 13 Benefit St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7u. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of speed humps on Cutler St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7v. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of speed humps in the vicinity of 35 Fairfax Rd.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7w. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of a truck ban/weight restriction for the through traffic of trucks on Hamilton St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7x. Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of a truck ban/weight restriction for the through traffic of trucks on Lake Ave.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7y. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Grove St. and North St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**
- 7z. Mayor Joseph M. Petty on behalf of Dana Felicitti request installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at the crosswalk on Grove St. at its intersection with Chadwick St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #7q CC)**

## **8. PETITIONS - Part II**

- 8a. Mayor Joseph M. Petty on behalf of Dana Felicitti request installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at the crosswalk on Gold Star Blvd. at its intersection with Chadwick St.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #8a CC through #8z CC to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee**
- 8b. Mayor Joseph M. Petty on behalf of Dana Felicitti request installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at the crosswalk in the vicinity of 60 Gold Star Blvd.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8c. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of thru way street signage at the northern corner of Tampa St., in the vicinity of 47 Tampa St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**

- 8d. Councilor John P. Fresolo requests establishment of an overnight (10 p.m. to 7 a.m.) quiet zone at the railroad crossings at Blackstone River Rd. and McKeon Rd.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8e. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Nathalie Gibson request installation of warning signage on Coes St. adjacent to the Stearns Tavern in both directions to alert motorists of the sharp curve.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8f. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of crosswalks at appropriate locations on North Lake Ave. between North Rd. and Belcourt Rd.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8g. Councilor Satya B. Mitra request installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Richmond Ave. and Pleasant St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8h. Jarelys Castillo et al. request removal of the handicap parking space at 13 Vesper St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8i. Mariah Murphy request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 200 Fairmont Ave.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8j. Mari Al-Saad request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 48 Esther St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8k. Sameerah Mohammed request installation of a handicap parking space at 131 Chino Ave.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8l. Patricia and Brian Rivers request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on the even side of Arbor Vitae St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8m. Bobbielynn Johnson request installation of speed humps on Canterbury St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8n. Bobbielynn Johnson request installation of speed humps on Southgate St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8o. Dawn Edmonds request Cutler St. be reviewed for the installation of traffic calming measures, including speed humps.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8p. Dawn Edmonds request Aetna St. be reviewed for the installation of traffic calming measures, including speed humps.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8q. Raymond Augustine request installation of radar enforced speed limit warning signage facing both direction in the vicinity of 22 Valmor St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**

- 8r. Raymond Augustine request installation of a speed hump in the vicinity of 22 Valmor St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8s. Lee Silverstein request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 4 Hartshorn Ave.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8t. Tasia Cerezo on behalf of Meryl's Safe Haven, Inc. request installation of resident permit parking for the area surrounding 5 May St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8u. Alexander Volkov request installation of "Children" signage in front of 457 Granite St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8v. Sheryl Reidy request installation of speed humps on Fales St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8w. Songsong Le request installation of stop signage at the intersection of Newton Ave. North and Terrace Dr.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8x. Mario Makhluf request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage in front of the pathway located at 26 King St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8y. Therese Richardson request installation of speed humps on Byron St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**
- 8z. Therese Richardson request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on one side of lower Byron St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #8a CC)**

## **9. PETITIONS - Part III**

- 9a. Yamilet Perez Rivera request installation of speed humps on Channing St. between Orne St. and Forbes St.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer items #9a CC through #9l CC to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee**
- 9b. Stephen Poplawski request installation of speed humps on Acton St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9c. Stephen Poplawski request installation of speed humps on Ashwood St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9d. Jillian St. Pierre request removal of "No Parking Anytime" restriction on Theodore Tonna St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**

- 9e. Quoc Le request resident permit parking on Pilgrim Ave. be extended to include 249 to 251 Pilgrim Ave., with existing handicap parking space located in the vicinity of 249 be removed and said resident permit parking area be installed in its place.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9f. Giuseppa Girardi request the handicap parking space located at 249 Pilgrim Ave. be relocated to 252 Pilgrim Ave.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9g. Brian DeLac request installation of temporary speed humps on Montague St. between Baker St. and Autumn St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9h. Janet Moore request installation of right traffic control signals at the intersection of Mountain St. East and Mountain St. West onto West Boylston St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9i. Rebecca Distefano request removal of handicap parking space in front of 41 Everard St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9j. Rebecca Distefano request removal of handicap parking space in front of 49 Everard St.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9k. Nicholas Burnham on behalf of the Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) request installation of one (1) new inbound bus stop on the western side of Constitution Ave. in front of the apartment building located at 258-268 Constitution Ave., approximately 25 feet west of building driveway, with bus stop signage being installed on streetlight pole ten (10) in conjunction with existing "No Parking" signage.  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9l. Nicholas Burnham on behalf of the Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) request re-activation of one (1) outbound bus stop on the northern side of Constitution Ave. opposite from 165-175 Constitution Ave., approximately 118 feet east of playground driveway, with said bus stop signage being installed on streetlight pole seven (7).  
**Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee (See Item #9a CC)**
- 9m. Gordon Jon Davis request City Council request City Manager review the attached requests related to a sump pump at 10 Varnum St. (see attached).  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to the City Manager. Referred to the City Manager**
- 9n. CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location at: 38-40 SOUTHBRIDGE ST.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to set hearings for items #9n CC through #9r CC for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m. Hearing set for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m.**
- 9o. NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: FLORENCE ST.  
**Hearing set for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m. (See Item #9n CC)**

**9p.** NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: GRAFTON ST.

**Hearing set for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m. (See Item #9n CC)**

**9q.** NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: GROVE ST.

**Hearing set for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m. (See Item #9n CC)**

**9r.** NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for a jointly-owned pole at:  
WEST BOYLSTON ST.

**Hearing set for August 18, 2026 at 6 p.m. (See Item #9n CC)**

## **10. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER**

**10.1 APPOINTMENTS**  
**Non-City Council Confirmation**

**10.2 APPOINTMENTS**  
**City Council Confirmation**

- A. Recommending the appointment of Candice Mero-Carlson to the Worcester Redevelopment Authority.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege - Bilotta**

- B. Recommending the appointment of Jared Madison to the Trust Funds Commission.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege - Bilotta**

- C. Recommending the appointment of Che Anderson to the Civic Center Commission.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege - Bilotta**

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

- A. Recommend adoption of salary ordinance amendments that will bring the ordinance in compliance with the changes enacted in the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget, as well as current organizational priorities and operational needs.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to advertise the four (4) proposed Ordinances. Voted to advertise four (4) proposed Ordinances on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Toomey absent)**

**10.4 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
**Peter Dunn, Chief Development Officer**

- A. Recommend adoption of a zoning map amendment relative to 128 Providence St.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Planning Board. Referred to Planning Board**

- B. Recommend adoption of a resolution establishing a Tax Increment Financing Zone for GreenTech Park.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Economic Development Committee. Referred to Economic Development Committee

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

- A. Transmitting informational communication relative to a report and recommendation regarding a municipal civilian review board.

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.

Held Under Privilege – King

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

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

- A. Transmitting informational communication relative to an update on the Keep Worcester Clean Program in quarters 1 and 2 of 2026.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee

- B. Transmitting informational communication relative to utility restoration warranty periods.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee

- C. Transmitting informational communication relative to June 2026 Bulk Waste Facility Pilot.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee

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

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

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

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

- A. Recommend adoption of an ordinance establishing a commercial loading zone and two-hour metered parking on a portion of Main Street.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee**

- B. Transmitting informational communication relative to the Construction Progress Report for the month ending June 30, 2026.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Bilotta.**

**Mayor Petty moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee**

**10.12 FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**Martin Dyer, Fire Chief**

**10.13 POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**Paul B. Saucier, Police Chief**

**10.14 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**  
**Charles R. Goodwin, Commissioner**

**10.15 LAW DEPARTMENT**  
**Alexandra H. Kalkounis, Esq., City Solicitor**

**10.16 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**  
**Administration**  
**Nicholas Antanavica, Commissioner**

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

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

- 10.19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Administration**  
**Seema Dixit, Commissioner**
- 10.20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Division of Elder Affairs**  
**Amy Vogel Waters, Director**
- 10.21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Division of Veterans Services**  
**Alex R. Arriaga, Interim Veterans Services Director**
- 10.22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**Division of Youth Opportunities**  
**Raquel Castro-Corazzini, Director**
- 10.23 WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**Jason L. Homer, Executive Director**
- 10.24 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**  
**Election Commission Division**  
**Nikolin Vangjeli, City Clerk**
- 10.25 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**  
**Brian Allen, Superintendent**
- 10.26 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**  
**Administration**  
**Timothy McGourthy, Chief Financial Officer**

- A. Recommend approval of the transfer of funding from the Massachusetts School Building Authority Stabilization Fund to the New High School Fund and the Closure of the MSBA Stabilization Fund.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Ojeda, who recused himself from the item and left the room.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda recused)**

- B. Recommend approval of the expansion of the purposes of the New High School Fund to include the Burncoat High and Middle Schools project.

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Ojeda, who moved to recuse himself from the item and left the room.

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda recused)

- C. Transmitting informational communication relative to the extension of the time period for repayment of private street conversions.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee

- D. Transmitting informational communication relative to a financial update for the period ending on May 31, 2026.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee

**10.27 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

**Assessing Division**

**Samuel E. Konieczny, City Assessor**

**10.28 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

**Budget Office Division**

**Erin E. Taylor, Director**

**10.29 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

**Purchasing Division**

**Christopher Gagliastro, Director**

**10.30 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE**

**Treasury and Collections Division**

**Francisco Hernandez, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes**

**10.31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES**

**James Bedard, Chief of Public Facilities**

**10.32 DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE**

**John W. Odell, Chief Sustainability Officer**

**10.33 DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Michael P. Hamel, Chief Information Officer**

## **10.34 FINANCE ITEMS**

### **Capital Transfers**

- A. Recommend approval of year end capital transfers to make adjustments to municipal projects accounts as part of Fiscal Year 2026 closing procedures.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt items #10.34A CM, #10.35A CM through #10.35J CM, #10.36A CM through #10.36F CM, and #10.37A CM through #10.37I CM. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays**

## **10.35 FINANCE ITEMS**

### **Grants and Donations**

- A. Recommend adoption of a resolution to accept a donation in the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00) from Mr. Anastasio Parafestas of the Profesta Foundation, to support the Worcester Fire Department.

**Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- B. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Three Million One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Dollars and No Cents (\$3,183,690.00) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Office of Preparedness and Emergency Management.

**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- C. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Five Hundred Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$505,000.00) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Substance Addiction Services under the Diversion to Care grant program.

**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- D. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Two Hundred Ninety-One Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Dollars and No Cents (\$291,370.00) from the Massachusetts Department of Secondary and Elementary Education.

**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- E. Recommend adoption of a resolution to file and accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$30,000.00) from the Friends of Worcester's Senior Center.

**Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- F.** Recommend adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) in support of the Worcester Senior Center.  
**Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- G.** Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Six Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and No cents (\$639,200.00) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Aging & Independence FY27 COA Formula Grant.  
**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- H.** Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Dollars and No Cents (\$17,230.00) from the United Way of Central Massachusetts.  
**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- I.** Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) from the Greater Worcester Community Foundation.  
**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- J.** Recommend adoption of a resolution to file, accept and expend a grant in the amount of Twelve Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and No Cents (\$12,495.00) from the Office of the Attorney General to support Summer Youth Employment Programs.  
**Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

## **10.36 FINANCE ITEMS**

### **Operational Transfers**

- A.** Recommend that Six Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars and Three Cents (\$624,159.03) be transferred from Cable Funds and be appropriated to various accounts to provide funding for cable related expenses, which represents the Fiscal Year 2027 Cable PEG program allocation.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- B.** Recommend that Four Million Seventy Six Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One Dollars and No Cents (\$4,076,561.00) be accepted from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Year LII Community Development Block Grant program, and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars And No Cents (\$75,000.00) in anticipated Year LII Program Income, be appropriated, when and as received, to provide financing for eligible projects and programs.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- C.** Recommend that Three Hundred Eighty Three Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$383,000.00) be transferred between various CDBG grant accounts.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- D.** Recommend Adoption of an Order Amending the FY2027 Table of Organization for the Executive Office of Economic Development, Division of MassHire Central Region Workforce Board.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- E.** Recommend that Three Hundred Seventy-One Dollars and Ninety Cents (\$371.90) be transferred from Fund # FD313, Damage Settlements, and be appropriated to Cost Center #CC1076-610100, Parks Ordinary Maintenance, to fund repairs to a Parks vehicle that was damaged in a motor vehicle accident.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- F.** Recommend approval of year end operating transfers to make adjustments to municipal accounts to balance the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

## **10.37 FINANCE ITEMS**

### **Prior Year**

- A.** Recommend that Eleven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Twenty Three Cents (\$11,477.23) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1061, Budget Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of a prior year invoice.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**
- B.** Recommend that Eleven Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars and Eleven Cents (\$11,139.11) be authorized from Cost Center #CC1081, for the payment of prior year invoice.  
**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- C. Recommend that Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twelve Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$6,812.50) be authorized from the Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1010, Elections Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of a prior year invoice.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- D. Recommend that Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty Five Dollars and Eighteen Cents (\$5,345.18) be authorized from the Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1010, Election Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of a prior year invoice.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- E. Recommend that Nine Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$9,000.00) be authorized from FY2027 Cost Center #CC1004, Economic Development Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of a prior year invoice.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- F. Recommend that Four Thousand Twelve Dollars and Fifty Five Cents (\$4,012.55) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1044, Fire Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- G. Recommend that One Hundred Nine Dollars and Fifty-Three Cents (\$109.53) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1065, Golf Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- H. Recommend that Three Thousand Eight Hundred One Dollar and Thirty Three Cents (\$3,801.33) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1014, Unemployment Compensation, for the payment of a prior year invoice.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

- I. Recommend Twenty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Eleven Dollars and Seventy-Nine Cents (\$23,411.79) be authorized from various Fiscal Year 2027 Worcester Police Department cost centers to pay prior year invoices.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #10.34A CM)**

## **10.38 FINANCE**

### **Loan Orders**

## **10.39 MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA TRANSMITTALS**

## 11. CHAIRMAN'S ORDERS

- 11a.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Request City Manager provide City Council with a draft ordinance for a zoning amendment to reduce the minimum off-street parking requirements throughout the city that is consistent with testimonies provided by both the public and Standing Committee at the June 25, 2026 Economic Development Committee hearing.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt items #11a CC through #11j CC. Order adopted**
- 11b.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the feasibility of establishing a Sports Commission.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11c.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Inspectional Services provide City Council with a report detailing remedial steps required of food establishments to regain a food license after failing an inspection.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11d.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide City Council with a report detailing incentives and efforts provided by other cities and towns relative to recruiting lateral police transfers.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11e.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY - Request City Auditor provide City Council with an updated analysis of the Worcester Police Department's (WPD) Body Worn Camera (BWC) program performance in two (2) years.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11f.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility paint stop lines at the existing stop sign controlled approaches of Tallawanda Dr. at Brookline St.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11g.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility work with Rice Square Elementary School Administration/School Department, Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Our Lady of Loreto Parish and the surrounding community to address issues related to parking in the neighborhood.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**
- 11h.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide increased traffic enforcement on Mount Ave.  
**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**

**11i.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Police Chief provide increased traffic enforcement on Hope Ave.

**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**

**11j.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility conduct a ninety (90) day trial of treatments to limit traffic in the Montvale Historic District neighborhood. Further, request a report detailing the findings related to such treatments be provided to City Council at the conclusion of the trial.

**Order adopted (See Item #11a CC)**

## 12. ORDERS - Part I

- 12a. Request City Manager organize a neighborhood meeting between the leadership of St. Joan of Arc Church, entertainment/event/function organizers at the church, the Police Chief, the Commissioner of Inspectional Services, representation from the City Manager's Office and membership of the License Commission to resolve outstanding issues associated with chronic neighborhood noise and loud music coming from the "function" facility/parking lot of the church. Said neighborhood meeting should be conducted prior to any additional functions or events occur at the church. (Economou, Toomey, Rosen, Bilotta)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou and Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.

Councilor King then moved to, "Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing timelines associated with instances of excessive and unreasonable noise stemming from functions hosted at St. Joan of Arc Church. Said timeline should include efforts to mitigate chronic neighborhood noise, any reports, correspondence and/or notices received relative to continued noise violations, the status the church's event permits, and the rules of engagement around excessive and unreasonable noise violations." (See Item #29b CC).

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Mitra, who moved to add his name as a sponsor of the item.

Mayor Petty moved to take the item up collectively with items #13b CC and #13c CC.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Economou for a second time, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bilotta and Councilor Toomey, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King for a second time, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Fresolo, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Fresolo.

Mayor Petty moved to adopt items #12a CC and #13c CC and refer item #13b CC to Public Safety Committee. Order adopted

**12b.** Request City Manager request Police Chief provide increased overnight enforcement of illicit activities, including public indecency, occurring on Beaver Brook Pkwy. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to, “Request City Manager provide City Council with a report outlining concerns related to public indecency at all locations throughout the city.” (See Item #29c CC).**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

**12c.** Request City Manager request Police Chief provide increased speed enforcement on June St. from May St. to Mill St. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

**12d.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works review the sidewalk in front of 618 Pleasant St. for the purpose of completing any necessary emergency repairs required at the location. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

**12e.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Emergency Communications and Management research best practices associated with providing residents with a 911 follow-up survey/post-incident feedback questionnaire for the purposes of implementing such a program. (King)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Rivera, who moved to add his name as a sponsor of the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Bergman, Economou absent)**

- 12f.** That the City Council, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 90 Section 18, does hereby vote to rescind the posted 35 and 30 mph special speed regulations for Hope Ave. and return the public way to the statutory speed limit, under M.G.L. Chapter 90 Section 17C. (Rivera)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rivera and Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.

Councilor King then moved to, "Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning efforts to enhance pedestrian safety in the vicinity of 137 Hope Ave., including increased lighting in the area." (See Item #29d CC).

Councilor King then moved to, "Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning any issues related to traffic patterns or markings in the vicinity of 137 Hope Ave. that contributed to the fatal accident at the location, in an effort to ensure said issues are remedied and not present in other parts of the city." (See Item #29e CC).

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Toomey, who moved to, "Request City Manager ensure signage related to the statutory speed limit of 25 miles per hour be immediately installed following the rescinding of the special speed limit on Hope Ave. Further, request said statutory 25 mph speed limit signage be reviewed and installed where appropriate throughout the city." (See Item #29f CC).

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays

- 12g.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works review the sidewalk in front of Worcester State University, located at 486 Chandler St., for the purpose of completing any emergency sidewalk repairs required at the location. (Rivera)

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted

**12h.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing the potential annual debt service payment schedule should the city undertake a loan order of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000) annually for each of the next five (5) fiscal years, for a total authorization of One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00). Said loan order should be used for the purpose of a capital investment program dedicated to the resurfacing and rehabilitation of the city's main street arteries and sidewalks (see attached for Worcester's Total Outstanding Long-Term Debt and General Fund Debt Service). (Mitra)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra and Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.

Councilor King then moved to, "Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the strategy and priorities the city intends to follow relative to a capital investment program for the improvement of street repaving and infrastructure repairs throughout the city." (See Item #29g CC).

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Rivera, Councilor Toomey and Councilor Rosen, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Rosen.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Mitra for a second time, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bergman, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved the question.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Rivera for a second time, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 7 Yeas and 3 Nays (Yeas – Bergman, Economou, Fresolo, Mitra, Rivera, Toomey, Petty) (Nays – Bilotta, Ojeda, Rosen) (King abstained)

**12i.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing the number of streetlights out of operation in the city, the length of time said lights have been out of operation, reasons for maintenance and repairs to take several months to complete, and timelines associated with completing said maintenance and repairs for the purpose of informing the residents and business owners when to expect street lights to be back in operation. (Economou)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted

- 12j.** Request City Manager convene an immediate meeting with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) to identify and implement immediate safety solutions to address the high number of traffic accidents along Grove St., with particular focus on the corridor between Drummond Rd. and Nelson Place. (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who moved to add his name as a sponsor of the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12k.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing cooling center operations, including what resources, supplies and staff are provided to cooling center sites. (Bilotta)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Bilotta.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12l.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funding and other project scopes for the Bigelow Davis Pkwy. and Lake Ave. intersection project. (Bilotta)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12m.** Request Standing Committee on Public Works meet jointly with the Standing Committee on Traffic and Parking for the purpose of reviewing and discussing the city's strategic pavement management plan. Further, request Commissioner of Public Works and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility attend the joint committee meeting to present the city's 2025 Pavement Management, prepared by Apex Companies, LLC and Cyvl.ai. (See Attached). (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee and Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee and Traffic and Parking Committee**

- 12n.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report outlining the city's handling of the Town of Holden sewer use lawsuit. Said report should include a summary of the city's process and decision-making throughout the case, a timeline of the city's communications with the appropriate state officials to resolve the matter, and an explanation of the legal factors that resulted in the city paying the final settlement. (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou and Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.**

**Councilor King then moved to add his name as a sponsor of the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bergman, who moved to amend the item: Further, request City Manager request City Solicitor provide in said report details relative to any qualifications and/or privileges related to conversations had with state officials to resolve the matter."**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item as amended. Order adopted as amended**

- 12o.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works review all street signage on Kinnicutt Rd. and replace any street signs that are not spelled correctly. (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12p.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works fill all potholes along the entire length of Westbrook Rd. (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12q.** Request City Manager request Police Chief provide speed and traffic enforcement on Windsor St. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12r.** Request City Manager provide City Council with quarterly reports concerning outreach efforts and police activity in the Canal District regarding unhoused individuals. Said report should include caseworker and outreach data from service providers, the city's Health and Human Services department, and Quality of Life team. Further, said report should also include police data on service calls and arrests of any unhoused individuals. (Bilotta)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege - Bilotta**

- 12s.** Request City Clerk work with the Board of Health and the Division of Public Health Burial Agent to evaluate the city's death certificate process to provide City Council with a report detailing ways to improve efficiency and reduce processing times of establishing said records. (Bilotta)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12t.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install temporary bollards to help with illegal parking at O'Connell Field, located at 155 Grove St., and in the vicinity of 173 Grove St. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rivera, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12u.** Request City Manager provide City Council with an update concerning a previously adopted order from February 3, 2026, which read, "Request City Manager, in honor of our Nation's 250th anniversary and as a permanent gift to the city's residents, consider finding funding sources for the commission of a statute of the historic reading of the Declaration of Independence by Isaiah Thomas, to be placed at the proper location in front of City Hall." (Bergman, Economou, Rivera, Mitra, Fresolo)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bergman, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Toomey and Councilor King, who moved to their names as sponsors of the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor King.**

**Councilor King then moved to amend the item: "Further, request the existing plaque on the ground be refurbished until such a new statue be erected."**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item as amended. Order adopted as amended**

- 12v.** Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold a meeting with representatives from the Board of Health, selected medical professionals and youth advocacy agencies to discuss youth exposure and addiction to tobacco, nicotine and vaping, among others. (Rosen)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rosen, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to add the entire City Council, except for Councilor Bilotta, as sponsors of the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bilotta, Councilor Bergman and Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Ojeda, who moved to amend the item to include appropriate representatives from the Worcester Public Schools.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the City Manager, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Ojeda.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Rosen for a second time, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Public Health and Human Services Committee. Referred to Public Health and Human Services Committee on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays**

- 12w.** Request City Manager work with appropriate parties to create an educational campaign ensuring the city's residents are taught how to properly dispose of pet waste. Said educational campaign should include ensuring residents do not dispose of pet waste in the city's storm drains/catch basins. (Mitra)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Economou, who moved to amend the item: "Further, request City Manager include in any education campaign information relative to fines for improperly disposing of pet waste."**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item as amended. Order adopted as amended**

- 12x.** Request City Manager install a portrait of Esther Howland within the Esther Howland (South) Chamber in City Hall (see attached for potential portrait location). (Mitra)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12y.** Request City Manager organize a meeting between appropriate city representatives and local business owners on Southbridge St. in the vicinity of Guertin Graphics, located at 134 Southbridge St., to discuss ways to remedy concerns around cleanliness and illicit activities occurring in the area. (Mitra)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Ojeda, who moved to add his name as a sponsor of the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 12z.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works work with the City Solicitor to provide City Council with a report concerning the responsibility, available waivers and possible cost-sharing options available when roots associated with a public shade tree are documented to have repeatedly damaged or contributed to the failure of a residential building sewer, including as it relates to the application of Revised Ordinances Chapter 5, §13; Chapter 12, §28; and Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 87, §3 (see attached). (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized the City Clerk, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Economou.**

**Mayor Petty moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee**

### **13. ORDERS - Part II**

- 13a.** Request City Manager request Chief Development Officer convene a meeting with appropriate stakeholders to discuss and create a plan related to the appropriate amount of land being deeded to conservation land, in light of our current housing crisis. (Economou)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou and Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 13b.** Request Standing Committee on Public Safety hold a discussion to review the city's ordinance relative to excessive and unreasonable noise. Further, request said discussion include the feasibility of amending the noise ordinance to allow for the creation of a special noise variance application for churches, festivals, or organizations holding certain events (see attached for Worcester noise ordinance, as well as other municipalities' processes). (Economou, Rivera, Toomey, Rosen, Bilotta)

**Referred to Public Safety Committee (See Item #12a CC)**

- 13c.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing the process the city has in place for residents to report excessive and unreasonable noise in neighborhoods. (Economou, Rivera, Toomey, Rosen, Bilotta)

**Order adopted (See Item #12a CC)**

- 13d.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility ensure the crosswalk at the intersection of Huntley St. and Pleasant St. that was not repainted following a recent repaving at the location be replaced as soon as possible, in the interest of safety for students crossing to attend Midland Street School. (Rivera)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rivera, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to adopt the item. Order adopted**

- 13e.** Request City Manager install signage at appropriate locations throughout the city stating the property may not be used for civil immigration enforcement activities. Further, request City Manager create a draft ordinance for City Council consideration related to the enforcement of such signage (see attached for an image of such signage in the City of Lynn). (King)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege – King**

- 13f.** Request City Manager, as part of any draft ordinance related to the prohibition of civil immigration enforcement activities on certain and appropriate properties, ensure language be included in said ordinance that requires signage be listed at such properties in all appropriate languages. (King)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege – King**

- 13g.** Request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a legal opinion relative to whether the developers of 4 Brandt Ln. would be prohibited from traversing and using heavy equipment on Pine Hill Rd. due to the road's private status. Further, request said legal opinion also include information concerning whether the city can require the developers to repave disrupted portions of the private road at the completion of the project. (Fresolo)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Fresolo, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bergman, who moved amend the item: "Further, request City Manager request Chief Development Officer include in said report information concerning what restrictions, if any, are put on the developer at the conclusion of any construction that damages roadwork."**

**Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item as amended. Order adopted as amended on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Bilotta absent (King abstained)**

- 13h.** Request City Manager work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to explore working with FamJam to help youth apply for independent contractor work permits that would provide an opportunity for them to participate in busking and vending at Jam spots created in the city. (King)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to refer the item to Education Committee. Referred to Education Committee**

#### **14. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY CLERK**

- 14a.** Transmitting an informational communication relative to one (1) vacancy within the support staff of the Office of the City Council.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.**

**Held Under Privilege – King**

- 14b.** Transmitting an informational communication relative to various options available for making changes to the City Charter.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee**

- 14c.** Transmitting an informational communication relative to advertisements for the Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations meeting on Monday, August 17, 2026 related to a discussion of the City Charter.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee**

- 14d.** Transmitting an informational quarterly report outlining the various City Council Orders and Chairman's Orders adopted over the previous three (3) months, for the period of April 1, 2026 to June 30, 2026.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee**

#### **15. COMMUNICATION**

- 15a.** Communication of Paul Matthews, Executive Director and CEO of the Worcester Regional Research Bureau, transmitting, "Mapping the Next Opportunity: Worcester County's OZ Zones."

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Economic Development Committee. Referred to Economic Development Committee**

## 16. REPORTS OF THE PLANNING BOARD

- 16a.** REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD Upon the Petition of George Markopoulos on behalf of 321 Greenwood Street LLC request to amend the City of Worcester Zoning Map, as referenced in Article III, Section 2 of the Worcester Zoning Ordinance, by changing the zoning designation of the portion of 321 Green Wood St. (MBL: 29-043-00003) that is currently within the Manufacturing, Limited (ML-0.5) zoning district to the Business, Limited (BL-1.0) zoning district as shown on the map attached.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take items #16a CC and #16b CC collectively.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Fresolo, who moved to, “Request City Manager request Chief Development Officer provide City Council with a detailed report concerning the project associated with the proposed zone change at 321 Greenwood St.” (See Item #29h CC).**

**Mayor Petty moved to refer the item to Economic Development Committee. Referred to Economic Development Committee**

- 16b.** 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.

**Referred to Economic Development Committee (See Item #16a CC)**

## 17. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 17a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to Tree Canopy Protection: recommend Communication be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept items #17a CC, #17b CC and #17e CC. Accepted**

- 17b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to hosting NCAA events in Worcester: recommend Communication be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #17a CC)**

**17c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Upon the Order of Councilor Khrystian E. King and Councilor Jose A. Rivera - Request Standing Committee on Economic Development discuss the strengthening any future submission of a bid by College of the Holy Cross and or the Patriot League to the NCAA in efforts to host a preliminary round of the Division I Men's and Women's March Madness Tournament. Further, request said discussion also include any bids available related to the Division II and Division III NCAA Basketball tournaments. Further, request said discussion also include the potential of hosting NCAA tournaments for additional sports. Further, request representatives from Discover Central Massachusetts be invited to said discussion to provide any suggestions related to submitting future bid submissions. Further, request all requirements relative to bringing the NCAA March Madness Tournament to the city be outlined. Further, if such NCAA bids are found to be unfeasible, request the Standing Committee on Economic Development discuss the process for the city to be a host future National Invitation Tournaments (NIT): recommend Order be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept the item. Accepted on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 1 Nay (Nay - King)**

**17d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Upon the Order of Councilor Morris A. Bergman – Request Standing Committee on Economic Development explore the criteria and deadlines for the city to apply to be a host city for each sports' NCAA tournament for the purpose of providing City Council with timeframes and the process relative to said individual applications: recommend Order be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept the item. Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 1 Nay (Nay - King) (Bilotta absent)**

**17e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Upon Report of the Planning Board Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to minimum off-street parking requirements: recommend Report be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #17a CC)**

## **18. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY**

**18a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY** Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to the transition to a risk based food permitting inspection system for establishments serving food: recommend Communication be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take items #18a CC through #18c CC collectively.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to accept the items. Accepted**

**18b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY** Upon the Communication of the City Auditor transmitting an informational communication relative to a follow-up of the 2023 investigation into Worcester Police Department's overtime and details policies and procedures, as well as a report issued on January 15, 2024, as presented by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP's Forensic Services Team: recommend Communication be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #18a CC)**

**18c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY** Upon the Communication of the City Auditor transmitting an informational communication of an analysis of the Worcester Police Department's (WPD) Body Worn Camera (BWC) Program Performance by CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA): recommend Communication be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #18a CC)**

## **19. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS**

**19a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of David Reed request the existing sidewalk on the odd side of Rexhame Rd. be extended to include the Rexhame Rd. side of 205 Burncoat St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept and adopt items #19a CC through #19m CC. Accepted and Adopted**

**19b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Rocco DeMalia et al. request installation of a sidewalk on Mower St. from the intersection of Mower St. and Westmorland Dr. to West Tatnuck Elementary School, located at 300 Mower St., in the interest of ensuring safe passage way to students walking to school on the street: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**

**19c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Kendall Homes request Myrick Ave. be extended 300-foot with associated sewer service for the construction of three (3) single-family dwellings located at 0 Myrick Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**

**19d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request Oleum Ct. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**

**19e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Chester D. DiLeo et al. request street resurfacing from 62 Trinity Ave. to the intersection of Trinity Ave. and Simmons Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**

- 19f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Matthew Rabasco request Commodore Rd. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request the sidewalk on Chrome St. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request the sidewalk from 264 Shrewsbury St. to 278 Shrewsbury St. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19i.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request the sidewalk on Sherburne Ave. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19j.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request sidewalk resurfacing on Hastings Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request sidewalk resurfacing on Boyd St. from Huntington Ave. to Scrimgeour Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Michael Brennan request sidewalk repair on Pine View Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou request sidewalk repair on Winifred Ave., in the vicinity of Duffy Field: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #19a CC)**
- 19n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta on behalf of James Berthel request installation of a guardrail in front of 43 Proctor St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who moved to amend the recommendation and to accept and adopt the item.**  
  
**Mayor Petty moved to accept and adopt the item. Accepted and Adopted**

- 19o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Order of Councilor Jenny Pacillo, Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson, Councilor Luis A. Ojeda, Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey, Councilor Morris A. Bergman, Councilor Donna M. Colorio and Mayor Joseph M. Petty - Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the processes in place to hold Public Works Department contractors responsible to a timeline and their quality of work: recommend Order be placed on file.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept items #19o CC through #19v CC. Accepted**
- 19p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to general winter storm operations and DPW's activities related to snowstorm and winter weather emergency of January 23-26, 2026: recommend Communication be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19q.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting an informational communication concerning the number of pothole-related calls received by 311 since the beginning of the 311 program: recommend Communication be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19r.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to Keep Worcester Clean: recommend Communication be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19s.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Communication of the City Manager Transmitting informational communication relative to the Construction Progress Report for the month ending May 31, 2026: recommend Communication be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19t.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request the repaving of Vinton St., in consideration of recent utility infrastructure work: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19u.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request the repaving of Gilman Rd., in consideration of recent utility infrastructure work: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**
- 19v.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request the repaving of Norton St., in consideration of recent utility infrastructure work: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.  
**Accepted (See Item #19o CC)**

- 19w. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of traffic bollards at 173 Grove St., to the north and south of driveway to prevent illegal parking and improve driver, cyclist and pedestrian visibility: recommend refer to Traffic and Parking Committee.
- Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Traffic and Parking Committee.  
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee

## **20. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Part I**

- 20a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Luis A. Ojeda request installation of resident permit parking on the entire length of Lodi St., on both sides, at all times: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
- Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to advertise the proposed Ordinances associated with items #20a CC through #20m CC. Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained)
- 20b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Jane Beahn request removal of a stop sign at the bottom of the hill on Chester St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
- Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained)  
(See Item #20a CC)
- 20c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Gary P. Peters request the three (3) way stop signs at the intersection of Parkton St. and Chester St. be replaced with two (2) yield signs and one (1) stop sign as previously configured: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
- Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained)  
(See Item #20a CC)
- 20d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of the residents of Saxon Rd. request installation of stop signage at the intersection of Greenbriar Ln. and Saxon Rd.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
- Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained)  
(See Item #20a CC)
- 20e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Brendalee Clander-Soto request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 151 Beacon St. (Amended March 18, 2026): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
- Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained)  
(See Item #20a CC)

- 20f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Sherri Way request removal of the handicap parking space in front of 19 Kosta St. (Amended March 18, 2026): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Frank Kuffuor request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 188 Austin St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of William R. Robbins, Jr. request the handicap parking space in front of 61 Dorchester St. be relocated to the Arlington St. side of the property near the garage: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20i.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Manuel Vasquez Rivas request removal of two (2) handicap parking spaces in front of 26A Marjorie St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20j.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Luis A. Ojeda on behalf of Sarai Rivera request removal of the handicap parking space in front of 7 Lucian St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Tal Klayman request removal of two (2) handicap parking spaces in the vicinity of 605 Millbury St. at the intersection of Millbury St. and Maxwell St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Marilyn Rosa request installation of handicap parking space in front of 20 Shepard St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**

- 20m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Luis A. Ojeda request Beaver St. from Park Ave. to 575 Park Ave. driveway be made a two-way street. Further, request installation of stop sign and right turn only sign on Beaver St. at Park Ave. (Amended March 18, 2026): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.  
**Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (See Item #20a CC)**
- 20n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Julie Miller request installation of flashing crosswalk signage at the intersection of Salisbury St. and Monadnock Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept and adopt items #20n CC through #20y CC. Accepted and Adopted**
- 20o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of flashing pedestrian crossing signs on Belmont St./Route 9 at the intersection of Belmont St./Route 9 and Stanton St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**
- 20p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Christopher J. Shea request installation of enhanced crosswalk signage at the two (2) existing crosswalks on Salisbury St. in the vicinity of the main campus entrance of Assumption University, located at 500 Salisbury St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**
- 20q.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Catherine Holmes request installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Tallawanda Dr. and Brookline St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**
- 20r.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Henry Halpern request installation of a stop line at Indian Hill Rd. and Ararat St. intersection: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**
- 20s.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Suzanne O'Brien request installation of "Not A Truck Route" signage on Knox St. at its intersection with Webster St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**
- 20t.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Morris A. Bergman on behalf of Paul and Aurora Brule request installation of 25 mph signage on North Pkwy.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.  
**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20u.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Joyce Thienel request installation of signage indicating Mapleleaf Rd. is a private road: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20v.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Joyce Thienel request installation of signage indicating Lauf St. is a private road: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20w.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Heather Flavin request installation of 25 mph speed limit signage on May St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20x.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a curb bump out in front of 197 Belmont St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20y.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Chad A. Dawkins on behalf of Jesse Burkett Little League request the parking spaces located on Chandler St. in the vicinity of Coughlin Field, from 542 Chandler St. to the Worcester State University north entrance, be repainted as diagonal parking spaces: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

**Accepted and Adopted (See Item #20n CC)**

**20z.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Julie Miller request the crosswalk at the intersection of Salisbury St. and Monadnock Rd. be repainted: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept the item. Accepted**

## **21. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Part II**

**21a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Tina Langill request the protected pedestrian crossing time at the intersection of Main St., Pleasant St. and Front St. be extended: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept items #21a CC through #21z CC. Accepted**

**21b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Satya B. Mitra on behalf of Darren Lewandowski request removal of the stop sign on Venus Dr. at its intersection with Green Farms Rd.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

- 21c.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Morris A. Bergman on behalf of Paul and Aurora Brule request the installation of a stop sign on North Pkwy. at its intersection with Davidson Rd.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21d.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Petition of Nathalie Gibson request solid white line be repainted on Mill St. from Gates Ln. to 169 Mill St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21e.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Anival Correa request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage in front of 21 Lodi St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Madison Valducci request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage in front of 9 Moore Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Sonia Rodriguez request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage in front of 8 Englewood Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a Commercial Loading Zone in front of 62 Green St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21i.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor John P. Fresolo request establishment of a Residential Permit Parking zone on the west side of Indiana St. from a point 260 ft. north of Batavia St. to Batavia St. (Amended May 27, 2026): recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21j.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Mayor Joseph M. Petty and Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Lois Bourget request increased enforcement of the truck ban/weight restriction on Mount Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Joseph DiGregorio request increased speed enforcement on Hope Ave., in the vicinity of the exit ramp off I-290: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Aitchison St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Aitchison St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing in the vicinity of 482 Shrewsbury St. at the entrances to Picadilly Plaza and McDonalds be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting in the vicinity of 482 Shrewsbury St. at the entrances to Picadilly Plaza and McDonalds: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Prentice St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21q.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Prentice St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

- 21r.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Adams St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21s.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Adams St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21t.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Seward St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21u.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Seward St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21v.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing in the vicinity of East Park, located at 176 Shrewsbury St., at its intersection with Fantasia Dr. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21w.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association Request crosswalk repainting in the vicinity of East Park, located at 176 Shrewsbury St., at its intersection with Fantasia Dr.: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**
- 21x.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Lyon St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.  
**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21y.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Lyon St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

**21z.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Shamrock St. and Cross St. be reviewed.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #21a CC)**

## **22. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Part III**

**22a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with Shamrock St. and Cross St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to accept items #22a CC through #22h CC. Accepted**

**22b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with South Hill St. and Hill St. be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22c.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at its intersection with South Hill St. and Hill St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22d.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. in the vicinity of 50 Shrewsbury St. and 45 Shrewsbury St. be reviewed and repaired: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22e.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. in the vicinity of 50 Shrewsbury St. and 45 Shrewsbury St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22f.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request the crosswalk traffic control timing on Shrewsbury St. at Washington Square be reviewed: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22g.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Shrewsbury St. at Washington Square: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

**22h.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of WPD Officer Sean M. Lovely on behalf of the Shrewsbury Street Merchants Association and the Shrewsbury Street Residents Group Association request crosswalk repainting on Mount Carmel Way at its intersection with Shrewsbury St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

**Accepted (See Item #22a CC)**

## **23. LOAN ORDER TO BE ADOPTED**

**23a.** That the sum of Forty Three Million Four Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Sixteen Dollars and No Cents (\$43,468,416.00) be appropriated to the following accounts to pay for costs associated with the following capital improvements, planning and equipment, as well as any related architectural and engineering services in connection therewith, and including any costs incidental or related thereto; provided however, that the City of Worcester may change the account numbers listed below and/or move funds from one account to another for administrative purposes without further amendment or approval from this Council, provided that such change and/or move does not alter the project for which the funds are hereby authorized to be expended.

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Loan Order adopted on a roll call vote of 8 Yeas and 3 Nays (Yeas – Bergman, Economou, Fresolo, Mitra, Rivera, Rosen, Toomey, Petty) (Nays – Bilotta, King, Ojeda)**

## **24. TO BE ORDAINED - Part I**

- 24a.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For A Stop Sign Facing June Street At Hadwen Road And Brownell Street.  
**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to ordain items #24a CC through #24z CC. Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays**
- 24b.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide For A No Parking Zone On Ward Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24c.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide 15 Minute Parking On A Portion Of Grand Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24d.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking On Underwood Road Adjacent To #452 Chandler Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24e.** Amending Section One of the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 relative to Emergency Overtime Pay for Water Filtration Plant Supervisors.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24f.** Amending Chapter Five Section Twenty-Six of the Revised Ordinances of 2008 Relative to Sewer User Charge (FY 2027).  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24g.** Amending Section 45 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide For A Passenger Loading Zone On A Portion Of Barclay Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24h.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide For A No Parking Zone On Franklin Street At Kiara Drive.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24i.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For A Stop Sign On Brussels Street At Crompton Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24j.** Amending Section 68 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Rescind One-Way Designations On A Portion Of Elm Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24k.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking On Illinois Street In Front Of #99 And #101 Illinois Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24l.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking On Ararat Street Adjacent To #1 Marconi Road.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**

- 24m.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking In Front Of #33 Glen Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24n.** Amending Sections 42 And 47 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Prohibit Parking On School Days On The North Side Of Thorndyke Road.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24o.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Prohibit Parking On A Portion Of Cutler Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24p.** Amending Section 46 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove The Commercial Loading Zone In Front Of 237 Millbury Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24q.** Amending Section 45 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide For A Passenger Loading Zone In Front Of 13 Scott Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24r.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For A Stop Sign On Judson Road At Grove Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24s.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For All Way Stop Signs On Harding Street At Ellsworth Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24t.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking In Front Of #9 North Ashland Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24u.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #65 Eastern Avenue.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24v.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #22 Plantation Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24w.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #34 Beacon Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**
- 24x.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #4 Gage Street.  
**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**

**24y.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For All Way Stop Signs On Westbrook Road At Kinnicutt Road.

**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**

**24z.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For A Stop Sign On Saxon Road At Westbrook Road.

**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #24a CC)**

## **25. TO BE ORDAINED - Part II**

**25a.** Amending Section 29 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For All Way Stop Signs On Davenport Street At Dutton Street.

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to ordain items #25a CC through #25c CC. Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays**

**25b.** 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 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 E – Fiscal for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group EM - Executive Management for Multiple Positions.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group K – Library for the WPL Communications and Community Engagement Specialist.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group M – Recreation for the Assistant Head Golf Course Professional.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group N – Police for the Detention Attendant (Part-Time) Position.

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.

**Fourteen (14) Ordinances Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #25a CC)**

**25c.** Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996, Relative to Non-Bargaining Unit Employees.

**Ordained on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #25a CC)**

## 26. HELD UNDER PRIVILEGE

- 26a. ORDER of Councilor Jose A. Rivera - Request City Auditor provide City Council with a report detailing a full financial audit and accounting of both the completed and currently underway work being done at the Beaver Brook Dog Park. (Held Under Privilege - Rivera June 16, 2026 and June 23, 2026)

**Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rivera, who spoke concerning the item.**

**Mayor Petty moved to place the item on file. Placed on file**

- 26b. COMMUNICATION of the City Clerk transmitting an annual survey to the City Council regarding the administration and operations of the City Council Office. (Held Under Privilege - King June 23, 2026)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take the item up collectively with item #26c CC.**

**Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Items Under Privilege for a second time. Held Under Privilege for a second time on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 1 Nay (Nay – Bilotta).**

**Held Under Privilege – King**

- 26c. COMMUNICATION of the City Clerk transmitting an informational communication concerning the process required for City Council to hire and oversee City Council Office Staff. (Held Under Privilege - King June 23, 2026)

**Held Under Privilege - King (See Item #26b CC)**

- 26d. COMMUNICATION of the City Clerk transmitting an informational communication regarding the City Council Office staff's implementation of a new employee mileage-tracking process when conducting official city business. (Held Under Privilege - King June 23, 2026)

**Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee**

## 27. TABLED ITEMS

- 27a. 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)

**No action taken**

- 27b. 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)

**No action taken**

**27c.** ORDER of Councilor Etel Haxhijaj 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 - Haxhijaj July 18, 2023 and Tabled - Haxhijaj August 22, 2023)

**No action taken**

**27d.** 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)

**No action taken**

**27e.** 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)

**No action taken**

**27f.** COMMUNICATION of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative 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 April 29, 2025 and May 6, 2025 and Tabled - King May 13, 2025)

**No action taken**

**28. BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the June 23, 2026 City Council meeting.**

**28a.** ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager request Police Chief provide City Council with a report detailing any forms of community policing utilized by the Worcester Police Department (WPD) on Boylston St. – Item #18a CC Order adopted on a roll call vote of 7 Yeas and 3 Nays

**29. NEW BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the July 21, 2026 City Council meeting.**

**29a.** Motion Petty @ #6a CC – That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby suspend its rules to allow for the public participation section of the agenda on July 21, 2026 to occur one (1) hour beyond the typically allotted thirty (30) minutes.

**Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #6a CC)**

**29b.** Motion King @ #12a CC – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing timelines associated with instances of excessive and unreasonable noise stemming from functions hosted at St. Joan of Arc Church. Said timeline should include efforts to mitigate chronic neighborhood noise, any reports, correspondence and/or notices received relative to continued noise violations, the status the church’s event permits, and the rules of engagement around excessive and unreasonable noise violations.

**Order adopted (See Item #12a CC)**

**29c.** Motion King @ #12b CC – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report outlining concerns related to public indecency at all locations throughout the city.

**Order adopted (See Item #12b CC)**

**29d.** Motion King @ #12f CC – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning efforts to enhance pedestrian safety in the vicinity of 137 Hope Ave., including increased lighting in the area.

**Order adopted (See Item #12f CC)**

**29e.** Motion King @ #12f CC – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning any issues related to traffic patterns or markings in the vicinity of 137 Hope Ave. that contributed to the fatal accident at the location, in an effort to ensure said issues are remedied and not present in other parts of the city.

**Order adopted (See Item #12f CC)**

**29f.** Motion Toomey @ #12f CC – Request City Manager ensure signage related to the statutory speed limit of 25 miles per hour be immediately installed following the rescinding of the special speed limit on Hope Ave. Further, request said statutory 25 mph speed limit signage be reviewed and installed where appropriate throughout the city.

**Order adopted (See Item #12f CC)**

**29g.** Motion King @ #12h CC – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the strategy and priorities the city intends to follow relative to a capital investment program for the improvement of street repaving and infrastructure repairs throughout the city.

**Order adopted (See Item #12h CC)**

**29h.** Motion Fresolo @ #16a CC – Request City Manager request Chief Development Officer provide City Council with a detailed report concerning the project associated with the proposed zone change at 321 Greenwood St.

**Order adopted (See Item #16a CC)**