

CITY OF WORCESTER
JOURNAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, August 18, 2026
Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Convened: 6:05 P.M.
Adjourned: 8:02 P.M.

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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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

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. STAR SPANGLED BANNER

3. ROLL CALL - All present with the Mayor as the Chair, except for Councilors Economou, King and Ojeda. Councilor King arrived at 6:10 P.M. and Councilor Ojeda arrived at 6:44 P.M. Councilors King, Ojeda and Toomey participated remotely.

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 30, 2026.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 8 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, King, Ojeda absent)

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

1. Fred Nathan, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of items #13g CC and #13j CC and spoke neither in favor of nor opposed to items #13m CC and #25h CC
2. David Webb, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of items #23g CC through #23i CC, #24f CC, #24d CC, and #24e CC and spoke in opposition to items #11.36A CM and #13l CC
3. Nathan Nicks, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to item #16a CC

7. HEARINGS AND ORDERS

7a. Hearing: CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location at: 38-40 SOUTHBRIDGE ST.

Granting permission to CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS for a conduit location at: 38-40 SOUTHBRIDGE ST.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to open the hearings for items #7a CC through #7e CC. Mayor Petty's motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent).

Mayor Petty asked if any abutters wished to be heard on the item. Hearing no speakers, Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to close the hearings. Mayor Petty's motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent).

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to approve the item. Hearing held and Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

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

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

Hearing held and Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #7a CC)

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

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

Hearing held and Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #7a CC)

7d. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: GROVE ST.

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

Hearing held and Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #7a CC)

- 7e. Hearing: NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for a jointly-owned pole at: WEST BOYLSTON ST.

Granting permission to NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for a jointly-owned pole at: WEST BOYLSTON ST.

Hearing held and Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #7a CC)

8. PETITIONS

- 8a. Patrick Grady request the picnic tables at Morgan Landing, located at 580 Grove St., be replaced.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #8a CC and #8b CC to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cemetery. Referred to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cemetery on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 8b. Patrick Grady request the tennis/pickleball court at Morgan Landing, located at 580 Grove St., be repaired and repainted.

Referred to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cemetery on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 8c. Brian Dutremble request the banning of the sale of miniature alcohol bottles, or "nips," in the city to reduce litter and alcohol abuse.

Mayor Petty read the item and 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 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 8d. Councilor Khrystian E. King on behalf of Thomas and Charlene Keefe request installation of sidewalks on the even side of Clark St. from Burncoat St. to Mountain St. East.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #8d CC through #8z CC, except item #8r CC, to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 8e. Narissa Whyte request the existing sidewalk on Upland St. be extended from Mallard Rd./Bella Cir. to Greenwood St.

Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)

- 8f. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Daniel Bradley request Laconia Rd. be resurfaced.

Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)

- 8g. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of June Vo request installation of "Please Pick Up After Your Dog" signage at the intersection of Malden St. and West Boylston St. that includes the penalty for not picking up after your dog.

Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)

- 8h.** Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of additional street lighting, with a preference for pedestrian scale lighting, on both sides of Lincoln St. between Norton St. and Harlow St.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8i.** Edward Weisser request installation of sidewalks on Lake Ave. North from Quinsigamond State Park, located at 10 Lake Ave. North, to Lincoln St.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8j.** Edward Weisser request installation of sidewalks on Winneconnett Rd.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8k.** Edward Weisser request installation of sidewalks on Dominion Rd.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8l.** Edward Weisser request installation of sidewalks on Belcourt Rd.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8m.** Edward Weisser request installation of sidewalks on Natural History Rd.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8n.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Pamela Stefanllari request Neptune Rd. be resurfaced.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8o.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Pamela Stefanllari request the sidewalks on Neptune Rd. be resurfaced.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8p.** Donald J. O'Neil, Attorney, on behalf of Tiffany Nguyen request extension, at the expense of the petitioner, the combined sewer main in Henchman St. from its current terminus, near the vicinity of Moen St. and Henchman St., easterly a distance of approximately 146 feet to provide sewer service to the petitioner's properties located at 1 Frederick St. and 114 Lincoln St.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8q.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Sheila Loughnane request removal of the streetlight in the vicinity of 10 Ware St.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)

- 8r.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Paul Foster request Marmion Ave., from Kalmar St. north to King Philip Rd., be converted from a private street to a public street.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Planning Board. Referred to Planning Board on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 8s.** Councilor Satya B. Mitra request Marconi Rd. be resurfaced.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8t.** Councilor Tony Economou request installation of a sidewalk on the odd side of Northeast Cutoff from the David Clark Company at 125 Northeast Cutoff to the intersection of Clark St., in the interest of public safety.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8u.** Idella Hazard request sidewalk resurfacing in front of 75 Providence St.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8v.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Clifford Rose request sidewalk resurfacing in front of 50 Marland Rd.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8w.** David Pederson request removal of sidewalk mural on the corner of Elm St. and Chestnut St., with no further sidewalk murals being installed due to concerns over chemicals being dumped into the drains.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8x.** Sherry Rice request streetlight in the vicinity of 76 Copperfield Rd. be reviewed to ensure it does not shine in on personal property.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8y.** Brian Dutremble request electronic notification be sent to residents prior to the occurrence of street sweeping actions.
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)
- 8z.** Caleigh McLaren and Stefanie Covino request additional information be provided concerning the Long Term Control Plan to address Combined Sewer Overflow (see attached).
Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #8d CC)

9. PETITIONS - Part II

- 9a. Councilor John P. Fresolo on behalf of Joseph Monfette request installation of speed humps on Vale St. in the vicinity of Acton St.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #9a CC through #9z CC, except item #9h CC, to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 9b. Councilor John P. Fresolo on behalf of Devan Wilson request “No Parking Anytime” signage on the even side of McGill St. be removed.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9c. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Sheila Reid request traffic enforcement of the stop signs at the intersection of Beechmont St. and Bancroft Tower Rd., in the interest in public safety.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9d. Councilor Tony Economou request installation of a stop sign and stop bar on Pasadena Pkwy. at its intersection with Tacoma St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9e. Daily Toribio request installation of a handicap parking space with ADA accessible curb cut at 62 Circuit Ave. North.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9f. Omar Almsoni et al. request installation of additional speed limit signage on Bauer St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9g. Omar Almsoni et al. request installation of speed humps on Bauer St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9h. Vilson Castelo Branco request sidewalk repairs on Norfolk St. from Suffolk St. to Groton Pl.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved to refer the item to Public Works Committee. Referred to Public Works Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9i. Jose A. DeJesus and Margarita Aguilar request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 90 Chino Ave.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)

- 9j. Samia Fatima request a traffic study be conducted at the intersection of Oriol Dr. and Lincoln St. for traffic calming solutions.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9k. Joanna Parafinowicz request the handicap parking space in the vicinity of 78 Seymour St. be removed.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9l. Cheryl and Michael Brennan request a traffic study be conducted on Kenberma Rd. for traffic calming solutions.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9m. Tanya Gaston request the handicap parking space located at 14 Ingalls St. be relocated across the street.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9n. Iva Lika et al. request installation of speed humps on Ledgecrest Dr.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9o. Ian McGinnes request the existing resident permit parking on Shamrock St. be extended to include 36 and 38 Shamrock St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9p. Dayana Mora request installation of One Hour Parking in front of 326 Shrewsbury St. from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9q. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request increased speed enforcement on West Chester St., in the interest of public safety.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9r. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request installation of “Not A Truck Route” signage at the intersection of West Chester St. and Chester St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9s. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request installation of “Not A Truck Route” signage at the intersection of Chester St. and Grove St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)

- 9t. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Christine Dolat request increased speed and traffic enforcement on Delawanda Dr., in an effort to deter speeding and illegal vehicle use in the neighborhood.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9u. Sheryl Reidy request installation of stop signage on Leeds St. at its intersection with Fales St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9v. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Carol Shaw request installation of speed humps on Institute Rd. between Park Ave. and Haviland St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9w. Enxhi Muharremi request installation of speed limit signage on Whittier St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9x. Thomas Vincent request the traffic lights at the intersection of Shore Dr. and Norton Dr. be reviewed for the purpose of extending the Shore Dr. light turning onto Norton Dr.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9y. Thomas Vincent request installation of additional wayfinding signage on West Boylston Dr. for the purpose of directing trucks onto MA-12 to access the interstate.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)
- 9z. Thomas Vincent request the green left turn signal on Shore Dr. at its intersection with Holden St. be extended.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a CC)

10. PETITIONS - Part III

- 10a. Thomas Vincent request a traffic study on Shore Dr. in the vicinity of Bancroft School, located at 110 Shore Dr., for the purpose of reconfiguring traffic patterns for vehicles entering and exiting the school.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #10a CC through #10r CC to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 10b. William A. Soucy request installation of speed humps on Lakewood St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)

- 10c.** William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Baker St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10d.** William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Elmer St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10e.** William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Manomet St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10f.** William A. Soucy request installation of a truck ban/weight restriction for the through traffic of trucks and busses on Lakewood St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10g.** Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Jack Arakelian request installation of speed humps on Bailey St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10h.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Ronald Prapuolenis request installation of “Thickly Settled” signage on Mountain St. West in the vicinity of West Boylston St. and Pullman St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10i.** Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Ronald Prapuolenis request increased speed enforcement on Mountain St. West between West Boylston St. and Pullman St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10j.** Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of a speed hump at or in the vicinity of 42 Vincent Cir.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10k.** Raymond Eliason request removal of a handicap parking space at 8 Shepard St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10l.** Raymond Eliason request installation of a handicap parking space at 50 Whipple St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)

- 10m.** Zainabu Hakili request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 67 Hollis St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10n.** Jody Gaucher request removal of the speed humps in the vicinity of 109 Heywood St., due to concerns over flooding at the location.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10o.** Julia Coyle request installation of two (2) large-scale gateway identification signs be installed on I-290, with one (1) sign being installed for traffic entering from Shrewsbury and one (1) being installed for traffic entering from Auburn (see attached for an image of proposed signage).
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10p.** Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of speed humps on Lawton St.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10q.** Christina Foley request installation of a crosswalk and flashing crosswalk alert signal at the intersection of Miscoe Rd. and Massasoit Rd.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10r.** Danica Rose request the recommissioning, disconnecting and permanent removal of Flock and Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRS) in the city.
Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10a CC)
- 10s.** Christina Foley request the city spray park hours of operation for the 2027 season be extended to provide earlier morning hours.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #10s CC and #10t CC to Veterans' Memorials, Parks and Recreation Committee. Referred to Veterans' Memorials, Parks and Recreation Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 10t.** Patrick Grady request the court lights at Morgan Landing, located at 580 Grove St., be repaired.
Referred to Veterans' Memorials, Parks and Recreation Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10s CC)
- 10u.** NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: VELANDER ST.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to set hearings for items #10u CC through #10w CC on September 8, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. Hearing set for September 8, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 10v.** NATIONAL GRID for a conduit location at: WASHINGTON SQ.
Hearing set for September 8, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10u CC)

10w. NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for a jointly-owned pole at: CHRISTINE ST.

Hearing set for September 8, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #10u CC)

10x. Patrick Grady request "Pickleball Court" be added as a dropdown option under search park features on the city's website.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to the City Manager. Referred to the City Manager on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

11. COMMUNICATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER

11.1 APPOINTMENTS

Non-City Council Confirmation

- A. Transmitting informational communication relative to the appointment of Alex Monaco to the Worcester Arts Council.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to place the item on file. Placed on file on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

11.2 APPOINTMENTS

City Council Confirmation

11.3 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

William Bagley, Jr., Esq., Chief Human Resources Officer

11.4 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Peter Dunn, Chief Development Officer

- A. Recommending adoption of an order authorizing the municipality's purchasing director to procure a contract with a four-year term.

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

- B. Recommending adoption of a resolution to approve an Urban Center Housing - Tax Increment Financing (UCH-TIF) Agreement for 16 - 32 Lakeside Avenue and 18 - 20 Garland Avenue.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Economic Development Committee. Referred to Economic Development Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

11.5 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Kevin Lovaincy, Chief Equity Officer

11.6 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Division of Human Rights and Accessibility

Patricia M. LaFore, Director

11.7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Administration Division

John K. Westerling, Commissioner

- A. Recommending adoption of an ordinance amendment relative to the placement of items for trash collection.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to advertise the proposed Ordinance. Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

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

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

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

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

A. Transmitting informational communication relative to the functional classification of streets in Worcester.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #11.11A CM through #11.11C CM to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

B. Transmitting informational communication relative to the City of Worcester's Vision Zero Annual Report.

Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.11A CM)

C. Recommending adoption of the proposed ordinance amendment to establish a tow zone on portions of Albany Street and Fantasia Drive.

Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.11A CM)

11.12 FIRE DEPARTMENT
Martin Dyer, Fire Chief

11.13 POLICE DEPARTMENT
Paul B. Saucier, Police Chief

11.14 DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
Charles R. Goodwin, Commissioner

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

- 11.16 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Administration
Nicholas Antanavica, Commissioner
- 11.17 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Building and Zoning Division
David Horne, Deputy Building Commissioner
- 11.18 DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**
Housing and Health Inspections Division
Lee R. Hall, Director
- 11.19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Administration
Seema Dixit, Commissioner
- 11.20 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Elder Affairs
Amy Vogel Waters, Director
- 11.21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Veterans Services
Alex R. Arriaga, Interim Veterans Services Director
- 11.22 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**
Division of Youth Opportunities
Raquel Castro-Corazzini, Director
- 11.23 WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**
Jason L. Homer, Executive Director
- 11.24 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**
Election Commission Division
Nikolin Vangjeli, City Clerk
- 11.25 PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**
Brian Allen, Superintendent

11.26 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Administration

Timothy McGourthy, Chief Financial Officer

- A. Transmitting informational communication relative to a financial update for the period ending June 30, 2026.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

11.27 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Assessing Division

Samuel E. Konieczny, City Assessor

11.28 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Budget Office Division

Erin E. Taylor, Director

11.29 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Purchasing Division

Christopher Gagliastro, Director

11.30 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Treasury and Collections Division

Francisco Hernandez, Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

11.31 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES

James Bedard, Chief of Public Facilities

11.32 DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE

John W. Odell, Chief Sustainability Officer

11.33 DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Michael P. Hamel, Chief Information Officer

11.34 FINANCE ITEMS

Capital Transfers

11.35 FINANCE ITEMS

Grants and Donations

- A. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of up to Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$900,000.00) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs under the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Program.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt items #11.35A CM through #11.35V CM, #11.36A CM, and #11.37A CM through #11.37H CM. Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- B. Recommend the approval of a resolution to file and accept a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation of 25 mph statutory speed limit signs at no cost.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- C. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Five Dollars and No Cents (\$199,005.00) from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) for the Shared Streets Equipment Grant Program.

Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- D. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) from Jill and Bret Goldberg in memory of Souraya Adjami, in support of the Worcester Senior Center.

Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- E. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$50.00) from Cynthia and Dennis Henderson in memory of Souraya Adjami, in support of the Worcester Senior Center.

Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- F. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) from Dana and Joe Kelly in memory of Souraya Adjami, in support of the Worcester Senior Center.

Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- G.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Twenty-Five Dollars and No Cents (\$25.00) from CJ Posk in memory of Fran Nase in support of the Worcester Senior Center.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- H.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$200.00) from Shrewsbury SNF Operations, LLC., in support of the Worcester Senior Center.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- I.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) from Anna and Christopher Shultz in memory of Souraya Adjami, in support of the Worcester Senior Center.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- J.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of One Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$100.00) from Heather and Duncan Stewart in memory of Souraya Adjami, in support of the Worcester Senior Center.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- K.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$250.00) from United HealthCare Svs, Inc. in support of the Worcester Senior Center.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- L.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Supplemental Grant in the amount of One Million Dollars and No Cents (\$1,000,000.00) from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Brownfields Program.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- M.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,500,000.00) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Lead Hazard Reduction Program.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- N.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a MassWorks Infrastructure Program Grant in the amount of One Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,650,000.00) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Economic Development.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- O.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Two Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$249,800.00) from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Economic Development.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- P.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation of Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and No Cents (\$3,263.00) from Ms. Jean Casello for the purchase and installation of a memorial bench and plaque at Green Hill Golf Course.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- Q.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of One Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$1,000.00) in Memory of Danny Rossetti for the Green Hill Golf Course, Junior Golf Program.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- R.** Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept and expend a grant in the amount of Forty-Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$44,000.00) from the MassHire North Central Workforce Board.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- S. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept with gratitude a donation in the amount of Thirteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$13,500.00) for the Nancy Meyers Bates Basketball Court at Greenwood Park from various donors.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- T. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to accept a donation in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$250.00) from an anonymous donor to support the Worcester Fire Department.
Resolution adopted with gratitude on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- U. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$92,000.00) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Jail Diversion/Arrest Diversion Grant Program.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)
- V. Recommend the adoption of a resolution to file, accept, and expend a grant in the amount of Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$40,800.00) from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners for the Central Mass Digital Preservation Hub Initiative.
Resolution adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

11.36 FINANCE ITEMS

Operational Transfers

- A. Recommend that Fifty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and No Cents (\$57,556.00) be transferred from GFT-1138, Community Fund/Gate Fees, and be appropriated to PRJ-100065, Neighborhood Improvements - CSX, for the purchase of a Worcester Police Department patrol boat for Lake Quinsigamond.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

11.37 FINANCE ITEMS

Prior Year

- A. Recommend that One Hundred Ninety Dollars and Seventy Two Cents (\$190.72) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1038, Police Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #11.35A CM)

- B.** Recommend that One Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and Eighty One Cents (\$1,496.81) 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 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- C.** Recommend that Four Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$4,500) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1062, Treasury Ordinary Maintenance for the payment of a prior year invoice.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- D.** Recommend that Two Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$2,176.28) be authorized from various Fiscal Year 2027 Parks cost centers for payment of prior year invoices.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- E.** Recommend that Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars and No Cents (\$5,780.00) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1063, Health Insurance Fringe Benefits for payment of prior year invoices.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- F.** Recommend that Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$22,148.55) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1081, Transportation & Mobility Ordinary Maintenance for the payment of a prior year invoice.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- G.** Recommend that Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars and Seventy-Four Cents (\$52,239.74) be authorized from various Fiscal Year 2027 Department of Public Works cost centers for the payment of prior year invoices.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)
- H.** Recommend that Ten Thousand Twelve Dollars and Seventy-One Cents (\$10,012.71) be authorized from Fiscal Year 2027 Cost Center #CC1007, Public Facilities Ordinary Maintenance, for the payment of prior year invoices.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
(See Item #11.35A CM)

11.38 FINANCE
Loan Orders

11.39 MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA TRANSMITTALS

12. CHAIRMAN'S ORDERS

- 12a.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility work with Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) administrators to ensure rapid transit and transit signal prioritization are implemented on Lincoln St., Main St., and Grafton St.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt items #12a CC through #12h CC. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 12b.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION - Request City Manager encourage Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA) administrators to apply for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) Microtransit and Last-Mile Transit Grant Program and Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) Community Transit Grant Program.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)
- 12c.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works, and other departments as needed, inspect the culvert located in the vicinity of 102 Wildwood Ave. and provide City Council with a report detailing the cause of current flooding conditions in the area. Further, request said report include remedial steps that can be taken to address raised water gates and/or manhole covers sticking out of the ground at the location.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)
- 12d.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility work with the School Department and the District Councilor to address traffic related issues around student pickup and dropoff at Roosevelt Elementary School, located at 1006 Grafton St.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)
- 12e.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install stop bars at the existing stop signs on Delmont Ave. facing Bedford Ave.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)

- 12f.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install stop bars at existing stop signs on Farrar Ave. facing Bedford Ave.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)
- 12g.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to ensure school bus drivers do not speed in the Westport Rd. neighborhood.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)
- 12h.** FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING - Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility evaluate and install the appropriate horizontal curve and advisory speed plaques in advance of the driveways at 425 Lake Ave.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #12a CC)

13. ORDERS

- 13a.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works conduct an immediate review of the overgrowth of Japanese knotweed in the vicinity of 45 Marcy St. and remediate the invasive plant issue at the location. (Rivera)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rivera, 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 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 13b.** Request Standing Committee on Traffic and Parking proactively hold one or more hearings to gauge public pro and con interest in having the City Council adopt legislation the state will likely pass allowing cities to install traffic speed cameras in school zones and on municipal streets. Said hearings should include discussion related to the regulation being tied to the legislature's \$575 million economic development bill, as well as that it would allow for the installation of forty (40) speed cameras in the city, which would lead to fines for drivers exceeding posted speed limits by 11 mph up to one-hundred dollars (\$100) per offense. (Rosen)

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

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 8 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (Economou, Ojeda absent)

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Ojeda, who moved for a roll call vote to reconsider the item. Reconsideration approved on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)

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

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

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Traffic and Parking Committee. Referred to Traffic and Parking Committee on a roll call vote of 8 Yeas and 0 Nays (King abstained) (Bilotta, Economou absent)

- 13c.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility review the existing crosswalk on Lincoln St. in the vicinity of 274 Lincoln St. for the purpose of making both short and long-term safety improvements to the crosswalk. (Bilotta)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized councilor Bilotta, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13d.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility work with the Commissioner of Public Works to ensure the step off the sidewalk at the intersection of King Philip Rd. and Marmion Ave., which is currently at an eleven (11) to twelve (12) inch step, is brought up to an acceptable and safe standard (see attached). (Economou)

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

- 13e.** Request City Manager request Fire Chief provide City Council with a comprehensive report concerning the status of renovations and improvements to fire stations throughout the city. Said report should include the status of equipment, including but not limited to extractors, exhaust fans, bathroom fixtures, etc., as well as all structural improvements to be completed at each station. Further, request said report also include both a timeline and estimated budget for each project. (Toomey)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Toomey, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13f.** Request City Manager provide City Council with long-range recommendation steps the city can and should take to prevent the frequent summer closures at Coes Reservoir and Indian Lake, which necessarily ban swimming, boating, fishing, and pet contact due to high levels of bacteria and toxins. (Rosen)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Rosen, 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 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Bilotta, Economou absent)

- 13g.** Request City Manager organize an event where the city's Nobel laureates, Dr. Victor Ambros and Dr. Craig C. Mello of UMass Chan Medical School, are given the opportunity to speak in front of the city's youth regarding their lives and discoveries. Further, request City Manager work with the Superintendent of Public Schools to ensure all high school-aged seniors are prominently included in such an event in hopes of inspiring the students as they continue their own educational ventures. Further, request Mayor consider providing said Nobel laureates with appropriate recognitions, including Keys to the City, at said event. (Mitra)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13h.** Request City Manager work with the Police Chief and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility to provide City Council with a report concerning the measures currently in place to ensure motorists are obeying speed and traffic laws in the city. Further, request City Manager include in said report information concerning additional measures and practices the city can implement to increase speeding and traffic law compliance throughout the city. (Mitra)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Mitra, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13i.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning public safety, cleanliness, maintenance and enforcement activation in the Worcester Common and its surrounding streets. Said report should include current conditions, existing enforcement and outreach efforts and recommended measures that can be implemented to ensure the Worcester Common is safe, welcoming and usable as a public park for residents, workers, families and visitors. (Mitra)

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

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Toomey, who moved to amend the item to include, “Further, request said report include outreach efforts made by all city departments as it relates to the homeless community on the Worcester Common, as well as information related to various arrests occurring on the Worcester Common.”

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

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

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bilotta, who moved for a roll call vote to reconsider the item. Reconsideration approved on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)

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

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

- 13j.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works provide City Council with a report concerning the sanitary sewer overflow of approximately 15,000 gallons of untreated wastewater that was discharged from an underground pipe in the vicinity of 23 Southwest Cutoff (Route 20) on July 24, 2026. (Fresolo)

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

Mayor Petty recognized Commissioner of Public Works, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Fresolo.

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to place the item on file. Placed on file on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 13k.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the current strategies in place to mitigate overgrowth in the city. Said report should also include information relative to any additional strategies the city is planning to implement concerning the issue, as well as information related to specific plans to mitigate overgrowth in the vicinity of the jersey barriers located on Route 20. (Fresolo)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Fresolo, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13l.** Request Standing Committee on Public Safety hold a public discussion regarding the closure of the Department of Justice (DOJ) investigation of the Worcester Police Department (WPD) and City of Worcester. (Toomey)

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

Held Under Privilege - Toomey

- 13m.** Request City Manager organize a meeting between the city, state delegates, and representatives from CSX to ensure railcars carrying solid waste do not idle in the city, causing foul odors to remain in the air in areas including the businesses and residential properties on and around Canterbury St. (Petty)

Mayor Petty read the item.

Vice Chairperson Councilor King recognized Mayor Petty, who moved to amend the item: "Further, request said report include any other areas of the city impacted by this issue. Further, request said report include information relative to the August 14, 2026 CSX freight train derailment and methods to prevent such an accident from occurring again in the future."

Vice Chairperson Councilor King 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 (Economou, Rosen absent)

- 13n.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install either a double or single yellow line on West Chester St., as soon as possible and in the interest of public safety. (Economou)

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

- 13o.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility repaint the double yellow lines on Barry Rd. Ext., as soon as possible and in the interest of public safety. (Economou)

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

- 13p.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility research installing in-road warning light crosswalk systems in the city to enhance pedestrian and motor vehicle safety in areas with high pedestrian traffic (see attached for links to example videos on YouTube). (King, Economou)
Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor King, who moved to Hold the Item Under Privilege.

Held Under Privilege - King

- 13q.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works immediately review and repair the stone wall in the vicinity of Burncoat Street Preparatory School, located at 526 Burncoat St., which was hit by a plow during winter snow operations. (Petty)
Vice Chairperson Councilor King read the item and recognized Mayor Petty, who spoke concerning the item.

Vice Chairperson Councilor King moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Rosen absent)

- 13r.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works and Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility review and repair the damaged curb cut at the crosswalk on the northern side of Foster St. at its intersection with Norwich St. (Bilotta)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Rosen absent)

- 13s.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Public Works ensure the trenches created by utilities at intersection of Eastern Ave., East Central St. and Mt. Carmel Way be resurfaced. (Bilotta)
Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, 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 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Rosen absent)

- 13t.** Request City Manager request Commissioner of Inspectional Services review and address concerns associated with the empty lots located at 0 Ascension St., 478 Franklin St. and 498 Franklin St. (Bilotta)
Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, 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 (Economou absent)

- 13u.** Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the open positions and overall staffing levels in the Department of Public Works. (Bilotta)

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

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

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 (Economou absent)

14. COMMUNICATION OF THE CITY CLERK

- 14a.** Transmitting an informational communication clarifying the process used by the City Clerk's Office to establish death records in the city.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

15. COMMUNICATION

- 15a.** Kristi L. Turgeon, Clerk of the School Committee, transmitting a request for the City Council to authorize the Worcester Public Schools (WPS) and City of Worcester to enter into an additional three (3) year Software License and Services Agreement with Renaissance Learning, Inc. to support reading, mathematics, and early literacy instruction.

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

16. REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

- 16a.** REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD Upon the Petition of Stephen J. Kerrigan on behalf of Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center, Inc. request the zoning map of the city, as referenced in Article III of the City of Worcester Zoning Ordinance, be amended to wholly encompass the properties at 600 and 604 Lincoln St. in the Business, Limited 1.0 (BL-1.0) zoning district.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Economic Development Committee. Referred to Economic Development Committee on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

17. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION

- 17a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE AND TRANSPORTATION** Upon the Report of the Committee on Public Service and Transportation Upon the Order of Councilor Sarai Rivera and Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request Standing Committee on Public Service and Transportation meet with the WRTA Administrator to provide City Council with a report concerning the WRTA's winter weather plan, especially including information as to how snow will be removed at each of the bus stops: recommend Report 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 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

18. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS

- 18a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Michael Kollios request installation of new sidewalk in front of 360 May St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept and adopt items #18a CC through #18j CC. Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 18b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk resurfacing in front of 15 Coombs Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)

- 18c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk resurfacing in front of 5 Coombs Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)

- 18d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera request sidewalk resurfacing on the odd side of Lovell St. from Columbus St. to Garland St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)

- 18e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Joe Williams request street surfacing on Mellor Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.

Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)

- 18f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Jocelyn Casassa request Doris St. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)
- 18g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request East Central St. be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)
- 18h. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request North Parkway be resurfaced: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)
- 18i. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Satya B. Mitra request installation of “No Littering” signage on North St. along the property line of Rural Cemetery and Crematory, located at 180 Grove St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)
- 18j. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Gloria St. Marie request installation of “No Dumping” signage that includes information regarding fine amounts at the end of Chatanika Ave. where it borders Cascade Park: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18a CC)
- 18k. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Brian Dutremble request the city institute a ban on lift kits for city-owned trucks: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept items #18k CC through #18s CC. Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 18l. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Report of the Planning Board Upon the Petition of Timothy Bateman request Wildwood Ave. from Apricot St. to 301 Wildwood Ave. be made public: recommend Report be denied.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)
- 18m. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS** Upon the Petition of Craig Thomas request construction of new sidewalks on upper portion of Orient St.: recommend Petition be denied.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18n. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Craig Thomas request construction of a new sidewalk on Orient St. from Sultan St. to Plantation St.: recommend Petition be denied.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18o. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj request installation of a new sidewalk on Heard St. that that abuts 215 Heard St., 231 Heard St., 233 Heard St., 235 Heard St. and 48 Royal Rd. Further, request the fees associated with installing said sidewalk be waived, as the sidewalk is needed to provide a safe walking route to Heard Street Discovery Academy, 200 Heard St.: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18p. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Daniel James Bradley request sidewalk repair in front of 29 Laconia Rd. to 31 Laconia Rd.: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18q. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Demitrios Voyiatzis request street resurfacing on Sagamore Rd. in the vicinity of 53 Sagamore Rd.: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18r. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Christine Giza request First St. be resurfaced: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

18s. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS Upon the Petition of Daniel James Bradley request street resurfacing in front of 31 Laconia Rd.: recommend Petition be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #18k CC)

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

19a. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Kayla Marie Lebron request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 159 Ingleside Ave.: 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 #19a CC through #19v CC. Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

19b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou request installation of a handicap parking space on Main St. near its corner with Maple St. and in front of 370 Main St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.

Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)

- 19c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Kellie Watts request removal of the handicap parking space in the vicinity of 3 and 5 Commonwealth Ave.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta on behalf of Adam Henderson request removal of the handicap parking space across from 118 Tower St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Eva Clark request installation of a handicap parking space in the vicinity of 195 Lincoln St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Jen Martell et al. request installation of "No Left Turn" signage on Grafton St. northbound in the vicinity of Roosevelt Elementary School, located at 1006 Grafton St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of John Mulryan and Timothy Johnson, on behalf of 22 Waverly LLC, request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage along the entire frontage of 22 Waverly St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19h. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on the DeMarco Ter. side of 179 Shrewsbury St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19i. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Julia C. Chilton request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on the even side of Sterling St. from Seymour St. to Euclid Ave.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)

- 19j.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Lilian Sorto Cruz and Pedro Cruz request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday in front of 3 Thayer St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Communication of the City Manager recommend adoption of an ordinance to permanently establish No Parking Anytime on portions of both sides of Grafton Street: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a stop sign on Dryden St. at its intersection with Edgeworth St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of John Charron request installation of stop signage at the intersection of Sophia Dr. and Tennyson St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Etel Haxhij on behalf of Kerri Wentworth request installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Wedgewood Rd. and Westmorland Dr.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a stop sign on Whittier St. at its intersection with Edgeworth St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Communication of the City Manager recommend adoption of an ordinance establishing a commercial loading zone and two-hour metered parking on a portion of Main Street: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)

- 19q. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Mohammad Arman Hossain request installation of 15-minute parking zone on Grand St. in the vicinity of 103 Canterbury St. (Amended February 25, 2026): recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19r. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Lydia I. Rios request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 9 Preston St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19s. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Donna Livingston request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 23 Kendrick Ave.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19t. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Mallorie Niro et al. request installation of a handicap parking space at 72 Richland St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19u. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Fatima Hussein request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 117 Merrifield St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19v. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Leocadia V. Vasquez request installation of a handicap parking space in the vicinity of Iglesia De Dios Pentecostal, located at 151 Chandler St.: recommend passage of the accompanying proposed Ordinance.
Voted to advertise proposed Ordinance on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19a CC)
- 19w. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Huong Nguyen request removal of handicap signage in front of 21 Vineyard St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept and adopt items #19w CC through #19z CC. Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 19x.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Luis A. Ojeda on behalf of Matthew Garafalo, Project Manager of Sustainable Comfort Inc., request installation of a handicap parking space on Bowdoin St. side of 55 Linden St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19w CC)
- 19y.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Shauna Gaffney request installation of crosswalk and lighted crosswalk signage at the bus stop located at 150 Blackstone River Rd.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19w CC)
- 19z.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Carli Leong request installation of a crosswalk with flashing beacons on Southbridge St. at Washburn St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #19w CC)

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

- 20a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Maureen Schwab on behalf of the Green Island Residents Neighborhood Group request installation of "One Way/No Left Turn" signage on Canton St. in the vicinity of the Crompton Park parking lot exit: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept and adopt items #20a CC through #20h CC. Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20b.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Maureen Schwab on behalf of the Green Island Residents Neighborhood Group request installation of additional "One Way and Do Not Enter" signage on Lafayette St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying six (6) Orders.
Accepted and Adopted Six (6) Orders on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20c.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a dead-end sign at the entrance of East Park Terrace: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20d.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Patrick Grady request installation of signage indicating Assumption Ave. is a private road: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)

- 20e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bob McCauley request installation of a truck ban/weight restriction on Ararat St. that would augment where the State has restrictions, in an effort to ensure truck ban/weight restriction limits can be enforced on the street: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20f. 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 installation of additional truck ban/weight restriction-related signage on Mount Ave. warning truck drivers the road is not appropriate for tractor trailers: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Khrystian E. King and Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of a stop sign on Peabody St. at its intersection with Plantation St.: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order.
Accepted and Adopted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20h. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of twenty (20) ft. “No Parking Here to Corner” signage along Hamilton St., at its intersections with Commonwealth Ave., Middlesex Ave. and Boston Ave.: recommend adoption of the accompanying three (3) Orders.
Accepted and Adopted Three (3) Orders on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20a CC)
- 20i. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Joseph Scanlon request the pedestrian crossing signals at the Webster St., Cambridge St., and Main St. intersection be reviewed and fixed to activate only when the crosswalk button is pressed: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept items #20i CC through #20z CC. Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)
- 20j. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING** Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou request installation of “No Parking Anytime” signage along the bike path routes on Burncoat St., in the interest of public safety: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)

- 20k.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Lisa McHugh request Standish St. be made a one-way street: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20l.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Abdul Ghani request installation of parking meters in front of 241 Lincoln St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20m.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of the residents of Beechmont St. request white stop lines be painted at the existing stop signs at the intersection of Beechmont St. and Bancroft Tower Rd.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20n.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Satya B. Mitra request installation of three (3) way stop signage at the intersection of Chester St. and West Chester St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20o.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of four-way stop signs at the intersection of Delmont Ave. and Bedford Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20p.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor John P. Fresolo request installation of four-way stop signs at the intersection of Farrar Ave. and Bedford Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20q.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Maureen Schwab on behalf of the Green Island Residents Neighborhood Group request installation of additional "One Way and Do Not Enter" signage on Canton St. at its intersection with Quinsigamond Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20r.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Satya B. Mitra on behalf of the residents of Westport Rd. request installation of "Go Slow, Children Playing" signage in the vicinity of 10 Westport Rd.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20s.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Morris A. Bergman request installation of "Go Slow Children" signage on Kenwood Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)

- 20t.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Patrick Grady request installation of "Not a Thru Street" signage at the entrance of Assumption Ave. on West Boylston St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20u.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Abigail Bose request installation of "Blind Driveway" signage in the vicinity of 85 Mountain St. East.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20v.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Juan Perez request the "STOP," "ONE WAY," and "DO NOT ENTER," signage at the intersection of Pasadena Pkwy. and Tacoma St. be moved out of the bushes to a more visible location, in the interest of public safety: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20w.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Abigail Bose request installation of a convex mirror in the vicinity of 85 Mountain St. East: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20x.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Patrick Grady request installation of left turn arrow traffic signals on West Boylston St. southbound at its intersection with Loop Rd.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20y.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Mike Rejaey request installation of a traffic light at the intersection of Bigelow Davis Parkway and Lake Ave.: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)
- 20z.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Joseph Corazzini request a traffic study be conducted on Salisbury St. that tracks vehicle speed and the amount of vehicles utilizing the street: recommend Petition be placed on file.
Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #20i CC)

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

- 21a.** REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to 2026 speed hump installations: recommend Communication be placed on file.
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to accept items #21a CC through #21g CC. Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

21b. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to the Mobility Action Plan Annual Report: recommend Communication be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

21c. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Matthew Germain request installation of a right turn only lane on Lincoln St. at its intersection with Plantation St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

21d. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Councilor Morris A. Bergman request installation of a stop sign on Indian Hill Rd. at Marconi Rd. Further, request installation of a Do Not Block Intersection signage at said intersection. (Amended November 19, 2025): recommend Petition be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

21e. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Henry Halpern request installation of "Do Not Block Intersection" signage at the intersection of Indian Hill Rd. and Marconi Rd., as well as street markings with an "X" where cars should not block said intersection: recommend Petition be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

21f. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Adam Och request installation of "Blind Driveway" signage in front of 425 Lake Ave. North to warn drivers traveling towards Lincoln St. of said blind driveway: recommend Petition be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

21g. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC AND PARKING Upon the Petition of Kimpa L. Barnes, Jr. request installation of "Do Not Block Driveway" signage in front of 15 Windham St.: recommend Petition be placed on file.

Accepted on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #21a CC)

22. TO BE ORDAINED

- 22a. Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group EM – Executive Management for the Central Region WIOA Youth Director Position.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group R – Laborer and Craftsman for the Traffic Laborer Position.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group A – Administrative and Supervisory for the Municipal Hearing Officer Position.

Amending the Salary Ordinance of August 20, 1996 Occupational Group A – Administrative and Supervisory for the Resource Development/Program Manager and Director of Youth, Central Region WIOA Positions.

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to ordain items #22a CC through #22n CC. Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent)

- 22b. Amending Section 40 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Establish Resident Permit Parking On One Side Of Lodi Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22c. Amending Sections 29 And 31 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove A Stop Sign Facing Chester Street At Parkton Avenue.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22d. Amending Sections 29 And 31 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove A Stop Sign And Place A Yield Sign On Parkton Avenue At Chester Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22e. Amending Section 31 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 Providing For A Yield Sign On Westbrook Road At Greenbriar Lane.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22f. Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking In Front Of #151 Beacon Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22g. Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #19 Kosta Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22h. Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Loading Zone In Front Of #188 Austin Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22i. Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking On Arlington Street Adjacent To #61 Dorchester Street.

Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

- 22j.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #26A Marjorie Street.
Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)
- 22k.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking In The Vicinity Of #7 Lucian Street.
Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)
- 22l.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Remove Handicap Parking On Maxwell Street In The Vicinity Of #605 Millbury Street.
Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)
- 22m.** Amending Section 42 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Provide Handicap Parking In Front Of #20 Shepard Street.
Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)
- 22n.** Amending Sections 29, 68 And 74 Of Chapter 13 Of The Revised Ordinances Of 2008 To Establish Two-Way Travel On A Portion Of Beaver Street Near Park Avenue, And Implement Stop Control And Right Turn Only For Westbound Traffic On Beaver Street At Park Avenue.
Ordained on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent) (See Item #22a CC)

23. HELD UNDER PRIVILEGE

- 23a.** 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 and July 21, 2026)
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer items #23a CC and #23b CC to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)
- 23b.** 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 and July 21, 2026)
Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent) (See Item #23a CC)

- 23c. COMMUNICATION of the City Manager recommending the appointment of Candice Mero-Carlson to the Worcester Redevelopment Authority. (Held Under Privilege - Bilotta July 21, 2026)**
Mayor Petty read the item and recognized 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 recommit the item to the City Manager.
Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bergman, 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 moved for a roll call vote to recommit the item to the City Manager. Motion to recommit the item to the City Manager denied on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 7 Nays (Yeas – Bilotta, King, Ojeda) (Nays – Bergman, Fresolo, Mitra, Rivera, Rosen, Toomey, Petty) (Economou absent)
Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to confirm the appointment. Confirmed on a roll call vote of 7 Yeas and 3 Nays (Yeas – Bergman, Fresolo, Mitra, Rivera, Rosen, Toomey, Petty) (Nays – Bilotta, King, Ojeda) (Economou absent)
Mayor Petty recognized Councilor Bergman for a second time, who moved for a roll call vote to reconsider the item. Reconsideration denied on a roll call vote of 0 Yeas and 10 Nays (Economou absent)
- 23d. COMMUNICATION of the City Manager recommending the appointment of Jared Madison to the Trust Funds Commission. (Held Under Privilege - Bilotta July 21, 2026)**
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to confirm the appointment. Confirmed on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)
- 23e. COMMUNICATION of the City Manager recommending the appointment of Che Anderson to the Civic Center Commission. (Held Under Privilege - Bilotta July 21, 2026)**
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to confirm the appointment. Confirmed on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)
- 23f. COMMUNICATION of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a report and recommendation regarding a municipal civilian review board. (Held Under Privilege - King July 21, 2026)**
Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to Hold the Item Under Privilege for a second time. Held Under Privilege for a second time on a roll call vote of 8 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, King, Ojeda absent).
Held Under Privilege – Petty

23g. ORDER of Councilor Robert A. Bilotta - 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. (Held Under Privilege - Bilotta July 21, 2026)

Mayor Petty read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, 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 (Economou absent)

23h. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King - 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). (Held Under Privilege - King July 21, 2026)

Mayor Petty read the item and moved to take the item up collectively with item #23i CC.

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

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

Councilor King then moved to amend the item to include, "Further, request City Manager provide City Council with a report detailing proposed locations for installation and an estimated cost analysis to install and enforce such signage."

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

Mayor Petty recognized the City Solicitor, who responded to questions raised by Councilor Bergman.

Vice Chairperson Councilor King recognized Councilor Rivera, Mayor Petty, and Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, Councilor Rivera, and Councilor Bergman for second times, who spoke concerning the item.

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item as amended. Order denied on a roll call vote of 5 Yeas and 5 Nays (Yeas – Bilotta, Fresolo, King, Ojeda, Petty) (Nays – Bergman, Mitra, Rivera, Rosen, Toomey) (Economou absent)

23i. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King - 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. (Held Under Privilege - King July 21, 2026)

Order denied on a roll call vote of 5 Yeas and 5 Nays (Economou absent) (See Item #23h CC)

23j. COMMUNICATION of the City Clerk transmitting an informational communication relative to one (1) vacancy within the support staff of the Office of the City Council. (Held Under Privilege - King July 21, 2026)

Mayor Petty read the item and moved for a roll call vote to refer the item to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee. Referred to Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee on a roll call vote of 10 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou absent)

24. TABLED ITEMS

24a. 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

24b. 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

24c. ORDER of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj and Councilor Thu Nguyen - Request City Manager work with appropriate departments and stakeholders to establish an Office of Housing Stability in an effort to prevent the involuntary displacement of city residents who are in the process of being evicted or at the risk of losing their housing, as well as to enact policies to combat displacement, homelessness and enhance tenants' rights. (Held Under Privilege - Haxhiaj July 18, 2023 and Tabled - Haxhiaj August 22, 2023)

No action taken

24d. 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

24e. 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

24f. 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

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

25a. ORDER of Mayor Joseph M. Petty – 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. – Item #29a CC Order adopted on a roll call vote of 11 Yeas and 0 Nays

25b. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – 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. – Item #29b CC Order adopted

25c. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report outlining concerns related to public indecency at all locations throughout the city. – Item #29c CC Order adopted

25d. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – 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. – Item #29d CC Order adopted

25e. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – 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. – Item #29e CC Order adopted

25f. ORDER of Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey – 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. – Item #29f CC Order adopted

25g. ORDER of Councilor Khrystian E. King – 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. – Item #29g CC Order adopted

25h. ORDER of Councilor John P. Fresolo – 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. – Item #29h CC Order adopted

26. NEW BUSINESS UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES - Items brought forth under suspension at the August 18, 2026 City Council meeting.

26a. Motion King – Suspension of Rules – That the City Council of the City of Worcester does hereby postpone its August 18, 2026 meeting and move all items, except for items #8a CC through #8z CC, #9a CC through #9z CC, #10a CC through #10x CC, #11.35A CM through #10.35V CC, #10.36A CM, and #11.37A CM through #11.37H CM to its next scheduled meeting on September 8, 2026.

Mayor Petty recognized Councilor King, who moved for a roll call vote to Suspend the Rules. Motion approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yeas and 0 Nays (Economou, Ojeda absent).

Councilor King then introduced the item.

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

Mayor Petty moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order denied on a roll call vote of 5 Yeas and 4 Nays (Yeas – Bilotta, King, Mitra, Rosen, Petty) (Nays – Bergman, Fresolo, Rivera, Toomey) (Economou, Ojeda absent).

(Note: The City Council Meeting Schedule may be amended by a majority vote of the City Council which requires the affirmative vote of at least six (6) members regardless of the number present and voting per Rules 8 and 28 of the Worcester City Council).

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

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

Councilor King then moved for a roll call vote to reconsider the item. Reconsideration denied on a roll call vote of 5 Yeas and 5 Nays (Yeas – Bilotta, King, Ojeda, Rosen, Petty) (Nays – Bergman, Fresolo, Mitra, Rivera, Toomey) (Economou absent).

(Note: The motion to reconsider an item requires the affirmative vote of at least eight (8) members regardless of the number present and voting per Rules 28 and 30 of the Worcester City Council).