CITY OF WORCESTER

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 5, 2026
Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Convened: 5:01 P.M.
Adjourned: 5:11 P.M.

MAYOR
Joseph M. Petty

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Chairperson Tony Economou
Vice Chairperson Satya B Mitra
Councilor John P Fresolo

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Present Were:	Chairperson Councilor Tony Economou Councilor John P. Fresolo
Also:	Commissioner of Public Works John K. Westerling Assistant Commissioner of Engineering Jay Mello, who participated remotely Deputy City Clerk Stephen A.J. Pottle, clerk

1. Virtual Attendee Call-In Information/Important Notice to Residents

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

Public Works Committee Zoom Link: https://worcesterma.zoomgov.com/j/1615992759
Public Works Committee Zoom Phone Number: +1 646 828 7666
Public Works Committee Zoom Access Code: 161 599 2759

b. Important Notice: Residents are advised of an ongoing scam involving the impersonation of city officials and departments. Scammers are fraudulently requesting payments be made for planning and zoning permits, as well as City Council petitions. All official emails regarding your petition will come exclusively from an @worcesterma.gov email address (such as clerk@worcesterma.gov), or via physical mail on the City of Worcester's official letterhead. Any legitimate hearing letter will always include your specific application details, along with the scheduled hearing date, time, and location. The City of Worcester will never request payments via wire transfer.

2. Approval of the Minutes

a. Order - That the City Council Standing Committee on Public Works hereby approves the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting on October 7, 2026.

Chairperson Councilor Economou read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item. Order adopted 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Mitra absent)

3. Sewer Extension Petitions

a. Asaad Challab request sewer extension of approximately eighty-five (85) feet for 72A and 72B Arlington St.
8a CC October 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Economou read the item and recognized the following Speaker:
1. Kim Ames, on behalf of Asaad Challab, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Economou recognized the Assistant Commissioner of Engineering, who provided an overview relative to the Department of Public Works' (DPW) recommendation to approve the item at the applicant's cost and in accordance with the plan submitted to DPW.

Chairperson Councilor Economou moved for a roll call vote to recommend the item be approved.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Mitra absent)

b. 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.
8p CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Economou read the item and moved to take the item up collectively with item #3c.

Chairperson Councilor Economou recognized the following Speaker:
1. Donald J. O'Neil, on behalf of Tiffany Nguyen, spoke in favor of items #3b and #3c

Chairperson Councilor Economou recognized the Assistant Commissioner of Engineering, who provided an overview relative to the Department of Public Works' (DPW) recommendation to approve the item at the applicant's cost and in accordance with the most resent plans submitted to DPW.

Chairperson Councilor Economou discussed both petitions encompassing two (2) separate sections of pipes with the Deputy City Clerk, Commissioner of Public Works, and Assistant Commissioner of Engineering.

Chairperson Councilor Economou moved for a roll call vote to recommend the items be approved.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Mitra absent)

c. Donald J. O'Neil, Attorney, on behalf of Tiffany Nguyen request extension, at the expense of the petitioner, the combined sewer main in Henchman St. from its current terminus, near the vicinity of the intersection of Moen St. and Henchman St., easterly a distance of approximately 40' to provide sewer service to the petitioner's land.
7a CC January 27, 2026

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Mitra absent) (See Item #3b)