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- David A. Murphy, Ward 5
- Marianne L. LaBarge, Ward 6
- Alisa F. Klein, Ward 7

Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Walter J. Puchalski Municipal Building
212 Main Street, Northampton
Meeting Date: September 15, 2016
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

1. Public Comment

2. Roll Call

3. Public Hearings

A. Announcement of Public Hearing - Second Notice

The Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 7:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street,

Northampton, MA to discuss the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property within the City of Northampton for FY 2017 in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

B. Announcement for a Public Hearing Regarding an Application For Fuel Storage

Pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 148, sec. 13, notice is hereby given that the Northampton City Council will hold a Public Hearing regarding a Fuel Storage License Application submitted by Cumberland Farms of 100 Crossing Boulevard, Framingham, MA 01702. The land affected by the application is located at 53 and 55 Main Street, Florence, Parcel ID Map 17 C, Lot 197 and Map 23 A, Lot 077. The Application seeks to amend the existing Fuel Storage License to allow a) for storage of 8,000 gallons of diesel product, Class II, in UST container, and b) for an additional 11,000 gallons of gasoline, Class IB, in UST container, for a total storage of 32,000 gallons of gasoline.

The Public Hearing to be held on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers located in the Wallace J. Puchalski Municipal Building, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

4. Recognition and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

A. Report to Northampton City Council on Action Taken to Satisfy Committee Study Request on the Local Economy (Issued on March 3, 2016)

Documents:

[ReportonCSRonDowntownEconomy.pdf](#)

5. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

6. Resolutions

A. 16.147 Resolution Opposing Lifting the Cap on Commonwealth Charter Schools - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.147_CharterSchoolCap.pdf](#)

7. Presentations

A. Anne White, Director of Development, ServiceNet - 2016 Shelter Sunday

8. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes of September 1, 2016 Meeting

Documents:

[CityCouncilMinutes_Sept_1_2016.pdf](#)

B. 16.167 - Refer Appointments to Committee on City Services.

Arts Council:

- Joseph Pesce, 685 Ryan Road, Florence – term October 2016 – June 2019

Board of Assessors

- Denny Nolan, 319 Elm Street, Northampton – term October 2016 – June 2019
- Margo Welch, 143 Main Street, Northampton – term July 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Planning Board:

- Euripedes De Oliveira , Associate Member, 9 Washington Place, Northampton – term October 2016 – June 2019

Documents:

[16.167_Appointments.pdf](#)

9. Recess for Committee on Finance (See Separate Agenda)

10. Financial Orders

A. 16.157 A Financial Order to authorize payment of a previous year bill to Comcast in the amount of \$154.83 - 1st Reading

Documents:

B. 16.156 An Order to accept a gift of crosswalk equipment from Northampton Montessori School - Request 2 Readings

Documents:

[16.156_Gift_CrosswalkEquipment-Replacement.pdf](#)

C. 16.162 An Order to appropriate \$13,550 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Bridge Street School - Request 2 Readings

Documents:

[16.162_BridgeSt_Roof.pdf](#)

D. 16.163 An Order to appropriate \$13,214 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Leeds Elementary School - Request 2 Readings

Documents:

[16.163_Leeds_Roof.pdf](#)

E. 16.149 An Order to authorize payment for a previous year bill for the DPW - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.149_PreviousYearBill-DPW.pdf](#)

F. 16.150 An Order to appropriate \$17,045 for stair repair at the Academy of Music - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.150_StairRepairAcademyOfMusic.pdf](#)

G. 16.151 An Order to appropriate \$41,137 for replacement of 1986 six-wheel sander for DPW - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.151_DPWSander.pdf](#)

H. 16.152 An Order to rescind borrowing authority for various

projects - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.152_RescindBorrowingAuthority.pdf](#)

I. 16.153 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.153_RescindBorrowingAuthority-2Projects.pdf](#)

11. Orders

12. Ordinances

A. 16.158 An Ordinance to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for URB Districts - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters

Documents:

[16.158_URB-PV Correction.pdf](#)

B. 16.159 An Ordinance to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for URA Districts - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters

Documents:

[16.159_URA-PVCorrection.pdf](#)

C. 16.160 An Ordinance to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for SR Districts - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters

Documents:

[16.160_SR-PV_Correction.pdf](#)

D. 16.161 An Ordinance to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of

City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for RR Districts - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters

Documents:

[16.161_RR-PV_Correction.pdf](#)

E. Explanation Letter from Mayor Narkewicz for Parking Ordinance Changes

Documents:

[16.164-16.165-16.166_Mayors_Letter.pdf](#)

A. 16.164 An Ordinance To amend Chapter 312-36 of the Code Book by modifying Parking Meter Fees in Class 1A & 1C and to add Class 1F - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters and Transportation and Parking Commission

Documents:

[16.164_ParkingMeterFeesClass1A_1C_1F.pdf](#)

B. 16.165 An Ordinance To amend Chapter 312-109 of the Code Book to modify time limits in Class 1A & 1B - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters & Transportation and Parking Commission

Documents:

[16.165_Ordinance_312-109_OnStreetMeterZones.pdf](#)

C. 16.166 An Ordinance To amend Chapter 312-110 of the Code Book to modify time limit in Old South Street parking lot as described - Refer to Committee on Legislative Matters & Transportation and Parking Commission

Documents:

[16.166_312-110_OffStreetLocationsOldSouth_St_lot.pdf](#)

13. Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

14. Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study Requests

15. New Business

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Report to Northampton City Council on Action Taken to Satisfy Committee Study Request on the Local Economy (Issued on March 3, 2016)

City Council Committee on Community Resources

August 10, 2016

**City Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra, Chair
City Councilor Dennis Bidwell, Vice-chair,
City Councilor Maureen Carney
City Councilor Alisa Klein**

OVERVIEW

On March 3rd, 2016, the Northampton City Council Committee on Community Resources received a [Committee Study Request](#) (CSR) from the City Council President Bill Dwight and City Council Vice President Ryan O'Donnell to "study issues relative to the local economy, with a focus on businesses and workers in downtown Northampton and downtown Florence, for the purpose of identifying practical recommendations, if any, that the City Council could pursue to strengthen the local economy." City Council [Rules 2.3.8](#), state that "such a request, shall require a committee to report to the full Council on a particular issue area within 120 days optimally accompanied by legislation."

Due to the expansive scope of the study request, it being the first application of a CSR, and the scheduling challenges within the committee, the Chair asked the President and Vice-President if a small extension of time could be granted for the submission of a report. The Chair also asked if the report could be on the data-collection steps completed to fulfill the study. Both requests by the Chair were agreed to by the President and Vice-President.

To address the CSR, the Committee held organizational meetings on the structuring of the study and scheduling of forums (March 8, March 21, April 12), a meeting where we received reports from three sources (March 21), a meeting with the Director of Planning and Sustainability (May 3), and four public forums centered around different constituencies, but that were open to participation by all that wished to speak on the downtowns' economy (May 16, Business Owners; June 20, Downtown Residents and Workers; June 27, Downtown Workers; July 18, Property Owners, Leasing, Arts and Tourism). The forums were intended to solicit testimony from those directly involved in the downtowns' economy on the pressures that are felt or experienced, things they think are done well and should be supported, and ideas for the future.

The Committee may consider recommendations or legislation after the last forum on July 18th. The Committee decided and reiterated at each meeting starting April 12 that we are collecting data and would not be deliberating on possible action until the forums had concluded. This was organized in this way so that all who wished to testify could do so equally and express their opinions to the committee before we began to discuss our opinions and ideas. When scheduling the committee meetings for the year, it was decided the Committee would not meet in August. It

is anticipated that the Committee will begin deliberating on information, data and testimony received during the study at the scheduled September 19th meeting.

MEETINGS, FORUMS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH PERTAINING TO CSR

After receiving the request on March 3rd, the Committee held a special meeting on March 8th to discuss the request. Present at that meeting to review the request with the Committee and answer questions was the Council Vice-President and co-author the CSR, Councilor O'Donnell. How the study should be structured and what it should contain was discussed, and it was decided that Councilor Bidwell would write a draft work-plan for the study that would be discussed at the next meeting. It was also discussed that members of the committee believed there was current data or reports from certain city departments and organizations, which could be ready to be presented at the next meeting. It was decided that the Chair would invite the Greater Northampton Chamber of Commerce, the Pioneer Valley Workers Center, the City's Economic Development Director and the newly-formed Downtown Northampton Association to the March 21 meeting to present any relevant data they could provide. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

At the March 21st meeting, the Committee voted to accept the Committee Study Request (3 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention (Councilor Klein)). The proposed work-plan for the study was discussed at this meeting, including the structure and promotion for the public forums. Some elements of the work plan were adopted and some were not. From the invitations extended after the March 8th meeting, the committee then received reports and testimony. The Committee heard from Suzanne Beck from the Greater Northampton Chamber of Commerce and received some survey data on downtown businesses. Then the Pioneer Valley Workers Center, UMASS Amherst Labor Center and people speaking at their request presented a report on "Wage Theft" and gave testimony on the subject and other workers' issues. Last, Northampton's Economic and Community Development Director, Terry Masterson, presented economic data including statistics and data trends on the economic health of downtown Northampton, that had just been posted to the City's website. (Minutes in Addendum 1, all related documents on [CSR webpage](#)).

After the March 21st meeting where the Committee voted to accept the CSR, the Chair and Administrative Assistant established [a webpage for the study](#) on the City's website. The purpose of this was to make available to all an overview of the process, the committee's schedule, links to the materials received, agendas and minutes, links to the videos of the meetings and forums,

and a description of how to submit written testimony to the Administrative Assistant. This page has been updated throughout the study with information and links when they become available.

The April 12st meeting was centered around organizing and scheduling the public forums and discussing how to promote them and invite stakeholders. As with every meeting, we began with public comment, and five people spoke in response to the reports and testimony received by the committee at the March 21st meeting, and the subsequent news coverage. The Committee then finalized the topics and schedule for four public forums. The Committee also expressed interest in having an additional meeting to invite Wayne Feiden, the Northampton director of Planning and Sustainability, to discuss his opinion of the downtowns' economy, and what other municipalities have done for revitalization. It was decided that the Chair would extend an invitation to Director Feiden. Additionally discussed was the offer by Jonathan Goldman, former NHS student and Youth Commission member, to be an intern on the study to help the committee gather information. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

After the April 12th meeting, the Chair and Administrative Assistant created a flyer for the public forums, which was subsequently translated into Spanish (Addendum 2). The flyer was directly emailed to stakeholders, was shared on Facebook and was brought to businesses by committee members and by Jonathan Goldman. The Chair wrote [a column](#) in the Daily Hampshire Gazette on April 19th that outlined the study and promoted the forum dates, and another article about the forums was posted [on MassLive](#) on April 20th.

A special meeting was held on May 3rd to hear from Director Feiden. He discussed the downtowns from a planning perspective, and answered questions about what other communities in the U.S. and elsewhere in the world have done in terms of revitalization. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

May 16th was the first public forum. It was centered around business ownership and issues related to doing business in the downtowns. Sixteen people provided testimony. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

June 20th was the second public forum. It was centered around workers and downtown residents. Eighteen people provided testimony. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

June 27th was the third public forum. It was centered around workers and was held at 1pm to accommodate people who work in the evenings and couldn't attend the other forums at 5:30pm. sixteen people provided testimony.

July 18 was the fourth and final forum. It was centered around downtown property owners, leasing, arts and tourism. Ten people provided testimony. (Minutes in Addendum 1).

The Committee will next meet on September 19, 2016. In addition to any referred committee business on the agenda, we will begin discussions and deliberation on the qualitative and quantitative data received during the information gathering period of the committee study. We will work to determine if there are practical recommendations and/or legislation we can bring to the full City Council to "strengthen the local economy," as directed in the CSR.

Presentations and Reports Submitted to the Community Resources Committee

Date	Report/Presentation	Submitted/Presented By
03/21/16	Presentation; handout submitted w/survey data on downtown businesses	Suzanne Beck, Executive Director, Greater Northampton Chamber of Commerce
03/21/16	Presentation and review of just-released “Downtown Northampton Economic Indicators” online report	Terry Masterson, Economic Development Director, City of Northampton
03/21/16	PowerPoint presentation and draft white paper: “Working Conditions in the Northampton Restaurant Industry;” also submitted a report entitled, “Feeding Northampton: Challenges and Opportunities for Workers in the Northampton Restaurant Industry.”	Clare Hammonds, UMass Amherst Labor Center
05/03/16	Presentation on Northampton’s Downtown Economy (see meeting minutes)	Wayne Feiden, Director of Planning and Sustainability, City of Northampton
May, 2016	Research report on online retail sales, Northampton's downtown projects, and case studies of other U.S. cities	Jonathan Goldman, Intern to the Community Resources Committee
07/18/16	Handout on tourism in downtown Northampton	Suzanne Beck, Executive Director, Greater Northampton Chamber of Commerce

Additional materials submitted to the City Council Committee on Community Resources include:

- [Gaming the System: How Employers Shortchange Workers and Get Away with It](#) (Report by Sarah Jimenez & Lena Afidi, Community Labor United)
- [MA Representative Peter Kocot Letter to Daniel Wolf & John Scibak re: An Act to Prevent Wage Theft](#)
- [The Epidemic of Wage Theft in Residential Construction in MA](#) (by T. Juravich, E. Ablamowitz, & J. Williams of the UMass Amherst Labor Center)
- [Wage Theft Information & Example Legislation](#) (by Community Labor United)
- United Brotherhood of Carpenters [Employer Payroll Fraud Suggested Resources](#)
- [Written testimony submitted to the Committee](#)

ADDENDUMS

Addendum 1 - MINUTES

[March 8, 2016](#)

[March 21, 2016](#)

[April 12, 2016](#)

[May 3, 2016](#)

[May 16, 2016](#)

[June 20, 2016](#)

[June 27, 2106](#)

[July 18, 2016](#) (not yet approved)

Addendum 2 - VIDEOS

[March 8, 2016](#)

[March 21, 2016](#)

[April 12, 2016](#)

May 3, 2016 (No video available)

[May 16, 2016](#)

[June 20, 2016](#)

[June 27, 2106](#)

[July 18, 2016](#)

Where Do You Stand on Main Street?

A public discussion on the local economy in downtown Northampton and Florence



The Northampton City Council is holding a series of public forums to hear from anyone who contributes to, participates in and cares about our local economy in downtown Northampton and Florence. We want to hear about the pressures you feel and the concerns you have, as well as those things that you think are done well and should be supported.

Join us at one of the four scheduled forums, or send written testimony to be included in the record. Everyone is welcome at any forum, though the discussion of each forum will be centered around a certain sector of the economy.

BUSINESS OWNERS	DOWNTOWN WORKERS & RESIDENTS	DOWNTOWN WORKERS	PROPERTY OWNERS, LEASING, ARTS & TOURISM
May 16	June 20	June 27	July 18
5:30 pm	5:30 pm	1:00 pm scheduled to accommodate those who work evenings	5:30 pm

The forums will be held in the City Council Chambers at 212 Main St.

For more information or to submit written testimony, see the Committee Study Request page under the City Council @ www.northamptonma.gov/1679

For questions, contact Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra, Chair of City Council Committee on Community Resources at glsciarra@northamptonma.gov.

¿Qué opina sobre Main Street?

Un debate público sobre la economía local
en el centro de Northampton y Florence.



El Consejo del Ayuntamiento de Northampton está llevando a cabo una serie de foros públicos para escuchar a cualquier persona que contribuya, participe y se preocupe por nuestra economía local en el centro de Northampton y Florence. Queremos escuchar acerca de las presiones que usted siente y las preocupaciones que tiene, así como de las cosas que usted cree que se han hecho bien y deben apoyarse.

Únase a nosotros en uno de los cuatro foros programados, o envíe un testimonio escrito para que lo incluyan en el registro. Todo el mundo es bienvenido a cualquier foro, aunque la discusión de cada foro se concentrará en torno a un determinado sector de la economía.

DUEÑOS DE NEGOCIOS	RESIDENTES Y TRABAJADORES DEL CENTRO	TRABAJADORES DEL CENTRO	PROPIETARIOS, ALQUILERES, ARTE Y TURISMO
Mayo 16	Junio 20	Junio 27	Julio 18
5:30 pm	5:30 pm	1:00 pm Fijado para acomodar a quienes trabajan por las noches.	5:30 pm

Los foros tendrán lugar en los Salones del Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad en 212 Main Street.

Para más información o para enviar un testimonio por escrito, vea la página de Solicitudes de Estudio de la Comisión bajo el Consejo de la Ciudad en:
www.northamptonma.gov/1679

Para preguntas, comuníquese con la concejal Gina-Louise Sciarra, Presidenta de la Comisión del Consejo de la Ciudad para Recursos Comunitarios en:
glsciarra@northamptonma.gov.

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the recommendation of Councilor Dennis Bidwell, Council President William Dwight, and Mayor David Narkewicz

R-16.147
A Resolution

Opposing Lifting the Cap on Commonwealth Charter Schools

WHEREAS, free public schools available to all students regardless of income, ability, need or English language proficiency are foundational to our democracy; and

WHEREAS, all of our students deserve high-quality public schools that teach the whole child, providing enrichment and addressing social and emotional needs in addition to core academic subjects; and

WHEREAS, local accountability for our public schools is necessary to ensure that schools are responsive to the needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, in FY2017 Northampton is projected to lose \$2,279,216, net of reimbursements, to six nearby Commonwealth charter schools, and public school districts across the state are losing more than \$408 million this year alone — a loss of funds that is undermining the ability of districts to provide all students with the educational services to which they are entitled; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth charter schools are often approved over the objections of a majority of community residents and their elected officials and are not accountable to local elected officials once they are approved; and

WHEREAS, Commonwealth charter schools often fail to serve the same proportion of special needs students, low-income students and English language learners as the districts from which they receive students and often use high suspension rates to drive out students they don't want to serve; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth charter school system is creating separate and unequal opportunities for success; and

WHEREAS, lifting the cap on charter schools would greatly worsen the problems listed above and lead the Commonwealth further in the direction of a costly, unequitable and divisive two-track school system; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2016 the Northampton School Committee unanimously approved a resolution opposing lifting the cap on Commonwealth charter schools; and

WHEREAS, a broad range of organizations including the New England Chapter of the NAACP, Jobs With Justice, Massachusetts AFL-CIO, Citizens for Public Schools, Massachusetts Teachers Association, American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts, and Northampton Save Our Schools are all in opposition to lifting the cap on charter schools;

WHEREAS, the NAACP, at its national convention earlier this month, passed a Resolution calling for a national moratorium on the creation of any more charter schools;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northampton City Council and Mayor David Narkewicz, oppose lifting the cap on Commonwealth charter schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Northampton's representatives in the State Legislature are encouraged to redouble their efforts to achieve fundamental reforms leading to more equitable and expanded funding of the Commonwealth's public schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrative Assistant to the City Council shall cause a copy of this resolution to be sent to Governor Charles Baker, Senate President Stanley Rosenberg, State Representative Peter Kocot, and Secretary of Education Jim Peyser.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WALLACE J. PUCHALSKI MUNICIPAL BUILDING
212 MAIN STREET, NORTHAMPTON
Northampton, MA
September 1, 2016

Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President William H. Dwight. At 7:26 pm on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight At-Large Councilor Ryan R. O'Donnell
Ward 1 Councilor Maureen T. Carney Ward 2 Councilor Dennis P. Bidwell
Ward 3 Councilor (Vacant) Ward 5 Councilor David A. Murphy
Ward 6 Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge Ward 7 Councilor Alisa F. Klein.

The following City Councilor(s) was (were) absent: Ward 4 Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra

Councilor Klein motioned to suspend City Council Rules to allow the Council to change the order of business; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing:

Councilor Dwight announced the following: The Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 7:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA to discuss the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property within the City of Northampton for FY 2017 in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

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None

Communications and Proclamations From the Mayor

Communications and Proclamations From the Mayor:

Mayor Narkewicz noted that at the August 18, 2016 City Council meeting the City Council confirmed the new Senior Services Director, Linda Desmond. Director Desmond was unable to attend the last City Council meeting and the Mayor invited Director Desmond to tonight's meeting to meet the Council.

Senior Services Director Linda Desmond Introduced

Councilor Dwight recalled when Director Desmond served on the City Council as Ward 5 City Councilor. At the time he was sad to see her go and is glad that she has returned.

Director Desmond apologized for not being able to attend the last meeting; she feels privileged to be back working in her field of gerontology. Director Desmond asked the Councilors to let her know if any of their constituents have a particular need. She is happy to report that on October 31st the Senior Center will have its first van on the road. Presently she is working on a survey to assess needs of the community and the feedback is interesting. She invites feedback from the Councilors. She also noted that on October 11, 12, and 13th the Senior Center will be having an Autumn Festival where the doors will be open from 8am until 8pm. New activities will be introduced and tours will be offered.

Councilor Dwight is excited about the prospect of making people aware of the services of the Senior Center.

Councilor LaBarge stated Director Desmond promised to go to seniors who are housebound and wanted an update about the plan. Director Desmond has met with Highland Valley and is working on identifying the needs through the needs assessment survey. That program will need "partners" and Director Desmond is working to identify people who need that extra support. She doesn't want to re-invent something that is already happening and wants to make sure that any changes made are meaningful and necessary. This may take time, but Director Desmond plans on changes based on information she learns over the next two months. They will work to support existing programs, as needed. Director Desmond has only been on the job for six weeks, and she feels with time she will be able to make changes that will benefit the community. She notes that the staff and volunteers are wonderful and she looks forward to working with everyone at the Center.

Councilor LaBarge asked about the two vans that will be added at the Senior Center; Director Desmond noted that the first will be delivered on Oct. 31st and the second is being ordered and fitted. The Center will hire van drivers.

Councilor Klein welcomed Director Desmond. She offered Director Desmond to share events and other news with City Councilors; they all have "List Serves" and can share news with a host of residents.

Director Desmond commented that she has been working a lot all over the world and she notes that there is no

City like Northampton. Northampton is very unique. The Center offers writing workshops and so far 10 participants have been published.

Councilor Murphy thanked Director Desmond for serving.

Mayor announces
Three County Fair
Kick-off

Mayor Narkevicz reminded the Council that the Three County Fair starts on Friday, September 2nd; there will be a special focus on Veterans on Friday evening. A special concert is planned. The Mayor thanked the Three County Fair Board of Directors for working with the local Veterans Agent to make this happen.

Resolutions

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Councilor Bidwell commented that the Resolution speaks for itself. He notes that the system to fund charter schools is badly flawed; he feels it needs a fundamental overhaul before adding more charter schools to the system. He is suggesting that the Northampton City Council join a lot of other City Councils and School Committees around the state in going on record urging a "no" vote on Question 2 when it comes up on the November ballot. If passed, twelve new charter schools would be allowed to be added to the system per year. Councilor Bidwell is clear that the resolution is not about is any expression of disapproval of families who elect to go to charter schools. He respects parents who make the decision to send their own children to charter schools in the best interest of the child. He notes that in June of this year the City Council voted on a budget where \$2.2 million of Northampton taxpayer money went out to six charter schools in surrounding communities. This represents about 8% of Northampton's school budget. The irony of this is that charter school parents have remarked that they chose charter schools for the arts, music and language programs that are available in the charter schools. If the \$2.2 million weren't leaving the Northampton school system, the schools could offer instrumental music and foreign language instruction in the elementary schools; late start to the high school could be funded because the transportation costs could be paid for; athletic fees in schools could be eliminated; and two more pre-schools could be added.

Councilor LaBarge attended a forum on June 22 at JFK Middle School. She found the forum to be educational on reasons why not to vote to lift the cap on chart schools. Saving schools is a grass roots coalition. Parents, students and community groups that support quality public schools for all and oppose a ballot question that would lift the cap on privately funded commonwealth schools. She knows several residents who are willing to hold signs on election day to help educate the public on how serious this vote is. She states that lifting the cap will drain billions of dollars from public schools. She notes that charter schools are not accountable to local communities. Charter schools are divisive and create a two tiered system described by NAACP as separate and unequal. They under serve special needs children and children whose primary language is not English. Just this year alone charter schools will divert \$400 million from public schools. This money is needed in our district. Public Schools need smaller class sizes. Charter schools are being run by for-profit corporations. Councilor LaBarge encourages voters to vote "no" on November 8th on Question #2.

Councilor Murphy will not support the resolution. For him it is a question of equity. He notes that the "one percent" can send their children anywhere they want, even the more expensive places. Over 50% of city tax dollars go to education. For people who go to private school, the city gets to keep the tax dollars to support local education. In Massachusetts there are about 40,000 who attend charter schools. That is slightly over 4% of the population of children; it hardly seems that this will bankrupt the system. Also, there is a list of about 32,000 on a waiting list to get into charter schools. In total this represents 7% of the children in Massachusetts who parents have expressed an interest in sending them to charter schools. Councilor Murphy feels that this is hardly a number that is going to bankrupt the education system. He notes that between the children who opt out of Northampton Schools and the children who school-choice into Northampton, the difference is about 70 children. He believes that this amounts to less than \$1million going out of Northampton to support charter schools. If you are not a wealthy person, there is no school choice for your children. This year the State Senate passed a bill that allowed for an increase in charter schools with a \$1.4 billion increase for public schools. The Massachusetts House of Representative refused to hear the issue. This is a question that is important to less than 10% of the parents but there is nothing more important to a parent than the education of children. If your kids are in school right now, now is the time to take action. Councilor Murphy does not see it as that threatening a thing. He respects Councilor Bidwell's position on the issue, but Councilor Murphy feels that the state is not going to fix the funding mechanism if they don't need to. If the resolution passes, and the number of charter schools increases, they will fix the funding mechanism. If this doesn't pass, they will let a very inequitable funding mechanism continue forever. Councilor Murphy proposed changing the foundation amounts of outgoing versus incoming dollars; he has no desire to lose money when a parent decides they want to opt into a charter school. The state formula is the reason why towns suffer; Councilor Murphy feels that the legislature should fix that. Councilor Murphy encourages voters to look into the issue further, learn the facts, and understand that this should not be threatening to the schools in Massachusetts. Rather, it should be a mechanism by which parents who don't have the means to select private school but want something else for their children. Many of the charter schools were targeted for areas where schools are in failure. Councilor Murphy was surprised to see this on the agenda with so little time to talk about the issue and with so little research up front about it. He cannot support the resolution without more facts and understanding about the concerns. In service-vendor communities, residents don't have a choice about fire, police, water, etc. The school system is the only area in which parents will have a choice about where to send their kids. Councilor Murphy encourages the Council to not just blindly vote a resolution to take that away from parents who don't have the means but want to offer another choice to their children. He would rather see another approach to put pressure on the House of Representatives to deal with the inequity about the distribution of funds for the children that leave and a more equitable approach to how schools are funded. This

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may seem like a quick solution, but it is not the right solution.

On rebuttal, Councilor Bidwell explained that the resolution is not intended to suggest that charter schools should go away or that there is something wrong with providing greater educational opportunities to parents. It is about the funding mechanism that is so inequitable. There would be much greater equity if the schools were funded directly by the state as opposed to coming out of school budgets. There are a number of states that fund them directly as a state appropriation. If citizens and legislature think charter schools are so important, then that would be a more appropriate funding mechanism. Councilor Bidwell doesn't think that this is a possibility by continuing to expand the number of charter schools and continuing to see a drain on public schools as this happens. Councilor Bidwell acknowledges that this is not something that is bankrupting schools but when you remove 8% of any budget, especially a school budget, it is the 8% that allows you to do wonderfully creative things that offer choices. While the public schools are not being bankrupted, they are being handicapped. Councilor Bidwell feels that a signal should be sent to say rather than let that situation continue, voters are urged to hit the "pause" button. He recognizes that it will not be simple to go back to the legislature to come up with a better solution, however, he doesn't feel that this can happen by letting the system continue.

Councilor Murphy noted that the Governor and state Senate came up with a compromise that would allow the expansion of charters with \$1.4 billion to public schools; the House of Representatives refused to hear the bill. The House will not deal with this issue if Question #2 fails unless they are compelled to do so. That is the way it is in Massachusetts.

Mayor Narkewicz indicated that the Governor did not support the Senate bill. The Senate Bill called for massive increases to Chapter 70. Councilor Murphy was happy to accept that correction.

Councilor Murphy recognizes that this is a complex question. Given the amount of time that the City Council has to deal with the issue, he feels that the matter will not get the attention that it is due. If question 2 passes, the House of Representatives will need to debate the issue with the Senate.

Councilor O'Donnell appreciates how Councilor Bidwell frames the issue by saying this is not about attacking personal choices of families. He acknowledges that every Councilor represents people who choose to send their children to charter schools. It is not about impugning the original stated intention of having charter schools. There is a distinction between the theory of the original intention of charter schools and today's reality. A certain disproportion of the population that is served by charter schools versus that which public schools serve. Special needs children are one of the biggest examples. There are also disparities based on income that charter schools do not address as advertised. That is a reality that gives Councilor O'Donnell additional incentive to hit the pause button. Knowing the facts is important, and he believes that the facts surrounding the original mission of charter schools is different than the facts are today. Councilor O'Donnell can't understand why the cap should be lifted without fixing some of the problems, like the funding mechanism. He is not clear how having an unlimited number of charter schools will help to fix the funding mechanism for charter schools. He also stated that conceptually, concerning the issue of equity, doesn't every child deserve a better education; and is that the system that we have today?

Councilor Carney noted that there is agreement that the funding mechanism is flawed. The concern is whether or not to lift the cap. Councilor Carney is not sure that lifting the cap will force the legislature to deal with the funding mechanism. She does think it is time to take a time out and to prevent exacerbating a situation that is pretty bad. She will support the resolution.

Councilor Dwight noted that creating community pressure may cause the legislature to fix the funding mechanism, and he doesn't feel that lifting the cap will have the same result. The resolution is resorting people to community pressure and puts the legislature on notice that the problem does exist and has existed since charters were established. Charters were intended to create equity in education; however, the facts on the ground don't bear out that equity. If that were the case, underserved communities, like Holyoke, would be festooned with charter schools. The issue concerning charter schools has to do with taxation without representation. Voters do not get a say in how the \$2 million is spent. Lots of communities have a school committee because that level of representation has to be reflected. That does not occur in charter schools. Money is sent out from communities and it is the charter schools that get to dictate how those funds are spent. When you talk out social systems, like emergency services, there is oversight and contact at every level. Councilor Dwight noted that the funding mechanism concerning school funding has been broken for a long time and the conversations about the issues are not new. There seems to be a common ground that advocating for change is falling on deaf ears. It is important to advocate for all the students in the community, fairly and justly with full representation. Oversized classes, books from the 1970s, bussing concerns; these are all subjects that Councilor Dwight supports advocating for.

Councilor Murphy noted that it would be painfully naive to believe that if the ballot question fails, the House of Representatives is going to deal with this. They chose not to deal with this when there was a reasonable bill sent to them by the senate. If this fails, Councilor Murphy believes that this is going to go into the waste basket and go away. Councilor Murphy moved to postpone the vote until the next City Council meeting; there was no second.

Mayor Narkewicz noted that there is always a lot of information submitted with the budget that talks to the issue of charter schools. He agrees that the system is broken. Northampton is not an underperforming district and the Mayor has seen no innovation that has been passed on to public schools from the charter school system. The \$2.2 million dollar number quoted earlier is a very accurate number that Northampton loses to charter schools. Councilor Murphy was referring to school choice; outgoing tuition for a charter school student is \$14,000 while tuition for an incoming school choice student is \$5,500. In 2014 the voters of Northampton voted for a \$2.5 million override to address budget shortfalls. The way charter school tuition is calculated, is not just foundation funding

which is what public schools have to abide by, but is foundation plus a percentage of the override. So we go to the voters to raise taxes, and more of it is diverted to the tuition system. Mayor Narkewicz feels that if the state wants to run state schools, the state should give the charter schools chapter 70 authorization. Then there would be a real debate about Chapter 70 funding. Two years ago a blue ribbon panel was convened to look at the Chapter 70 formula and that committee estimated that Chapter 70 was underfunded by about \$2 billion due to undercounting the cost of special education and health insurance. Adding more charter schools is not a solution.

Councilor Murphy noted that the Mayor, School Committee, and Finance Directors do an admiral job for Northampton Public Schools. He does not want what he said to be held against the Mayor or School Administration. Councilor Murphy doesn't see the House of Representatives dealing with this reasonably.

Mayor Narkewicz indicated that the real issue is about revenue. If the governor wanted to increase money he could have added that to his budget. The Senate said that they would allow the cap but the cap cannot be lifted until or unless Chapter 70 is fully funded.

Councilor Bidwell doesn't want to vote in a way that will game the House of Representatives into doing the right thing. He would rather have the Council look at what the merits are with not letting the cap be lifted at this time. So much of this is about equity; there is equity in theory and then there is equity on the ground. A study that that was done by the Superintendent of Schools and a public policy research group to find out who are the parents who pulled their children from the Northampton Schools and chose charter schools and why. There was a very high response rate. What the study showed was that every single family sending their child to a charter school was a family that included a person with a college degree or higher. The conclusion is that charter schools are not serving the way we had intended, that is to provide options for those families that are lacking in options. It is providing families with options that already have abundant options. Some have characterized it as providing private school education without having to pay private school tuition. That is hardly equity in the facts. The other point on equity is that there is a high degree of self selection in the process because if kids require bussing, then they won't be going to a charter school. You have to have the ability to arrange transportation on your own.

Motion to approve 16.147 in 1st Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the resolution in first reading; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention (Councilor Murphy), 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried

16.156 A Resolution To accept a gift of crosswalk equipment from Northampton Montessori School - 1st Reading

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Mayor revises resolution to an Order

Mayor Narkewicz indicated that this resolution should have been framed as an order. It was to be reviewed as an order, however, the City Council did not take up this item as planned. It will be placed on the September 15, 2016 agenda for two readings. (Note: this item was reviewed and voted upon by the Committee on Finance only).

Presentations

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Betsy Alden - Spring Grove Cemetery project

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Betsy Alden is a Ward 7 resident and gave a presentation about a volunteer project that she and others have been working on to acknowledge and pay homage to people who have been buried in the City cemetery at the "Potter's Field". Ms. Alden lives near Spring Grove Cemetery and happened to be walking through the cemetery one night. During the walk she learned from a cemetery worker that an area was designated as a "Potter's Field" (a location where indigent people are buried). Ms. Alden noted that the area is just a mowed section of land without markings or other identifying means. Ms. Alden approached the Cemetery Director, Bill Sullivan, and asked if something could be done.

Ms. Alden showed aerial pictures of the Cemetery and the location of Potter's Field. Ms. Alden raised over \$500 through private donations from Florence Bank and from residents of Easthampton, Belchertown, Greenfield, Westfield, Northampton, Florence; with these donations she purchased plants to create a shade and woodland garden. Ms. Alden noted that without the approval and support of Mr. Sullivan, this project would not have moved forward. Ms. Alden had a crew of Cemetery/DPW workers who helped to unload the truck of plants that were purchased from Wanczyk Nursery in Hadley; a crew of three friends helped Ms. Alden with planting the garden.

Ms. Alden noted that Potter's Field was created in the 1920's and there about 70 -- 80 people buried there. A large stone has been placed in the general vicinity of the burial site. There are future plans to add a plaque to the stone to memorialize the burial site (she notes that only two graves were marked with a marker, one of which could not easily be read). She would also like to have a non-denominational service to memorialize the garden and the area. Ms. Alden plans to continue to take care of the garden in the future. She notes that at the time people are buried in Potter's Field there is no service at all. The DPW staff are the casket bearers and there is no one but the DPW workers in attendance.

<p><u>Betsy Alden - Spring Grove Cemetery project (continued)</u></p>	<p>Councilor Dwight thanked Ms. Alden for her work. When asked, Ms. Alden explained that there is documentation about the people who are buried in Potter's Field. The information is kept in the Cemetery Director's Office. The last time someone was buried there was six years ago.</p> <p>Councilor Klein thanked Ms. Alden for her inspiring work. The project she chose is from the heart and is an example of a Northampton resident doing something completely voluntary. Ms. Alden saw a need and acted upon it; she contacted the correct city staff to make it happen. This project honors citizens of Northampton and beautifies the cemetery. Councilor Klein is grateful that she took on such an endeavor.</p> <p>Councilor O'Donnell thanked Ms. Alden for beautifying something in the present while giving life to something in the past. Projects like this are rare but valuable to the City.</p> <p>Councilor Bidwell thanked Ms. Alden for her work and offered the observation that if she did want to continue her fundraising efforts, he has a feeling that it would be supported in the community.</p> <p>Councilor LaBarge thanked Ms. Alden for her work. She knows the hard work that it takes to do the work that she had done.</p> <p>Councilor Klein also noted that Ms. Alden contacted her about beautifying the Center of Florence. Her call is unusual in that most callers want City Councilors to do something for them; it is rare to hear from someone who wants to make a contribution to the community.</p> <p>Councilor Dwight stated that her initiative and devotion are very much appreciated.</p>
<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve Consent Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>Councilor O'Donnell moved to accept the consent agenda; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 vacant.</p> <p>The following items were included on the consent agenda, and were approved as noted above:</p> <p>A. 16.136 Appointment of Jeff Jones, Northampton Housing Representative to the Community Preservation Committee</p> <p>B. 16.154 Referral of Appointments to Committees as follows:</p> <p><u>Conservation Commission:</u> Lisa Fusco, 130 Cross Path Road, Northampton, term September 2016 - June 2019</p> <p><u>Housing Partnership</u> Richard Abuza, 245 Chestnut St., Florence, term July 2016 - June 2019 (Reappointment) Alison Brauner, 19 Market St., Apt. B, Northampton, term September 2016 - June 2019</p> <p><u>Human Rights Commission:</u> Karen Bellavance-Grace, 19 Church St., Northampton, term September 2016 - June 2019 Davina Miller, 33 Summer St., Northampton, term September 2016 - June 2019</p> <p><u>Public Shade Tree Commission:</u> Todd Ford, 78 Fern St., Florence, term July 2016 - June 2019 (Reappointment) Marilyn Casriotta, 79 West St., Northampton, term July 2016 - June 2019 (Reappointment)</p> <p>C. Minutes of August 18, 2016</p>
<p><u>Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting</u></p>	<p>At 8:36 p.m. the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance meeting. The City Council reconvened at 9:00 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Financial Orders</u></p> <p><u>Motion to revise order of business</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p> <p><u>16.139 An Order to Authorize Purchase</u></p>	<p><u>Financial Orders</u></p> <p>Motion to revise City Council Order of Business made by Councilor Dwight and seconded by Councilor LaBarge. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Vacant, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra).</p> <p><u>16.139 An Order to Authorize Purchase of Four Lots for Affordable Housing on Glendale Road - 2nd Reading</u></p>

of Four Lots for
Affordable Housing
on Glendale Road -
2nd Reading

Planning & Sustainability Director Wayne Feiden indicated that the land specified in the order is not currently conservation land and is privately owned property. There is also a subdivision permit that is in effect and still valid. The permit would allow the property owner to divide the property up to 24 units. If the City does nothing, the land will likely be developed as 24 units. The City has done its own assessment to determine how the land could be developed; one idea would be to develop the land as originally planned (24 units); another idea is to divide up the land and place two cul-de-sacs on either end of the property with six and seven units on each end. This is what the market solution to the property would be. The City Council approved the purchase of the land a number of months ago. That authority allows the City to find a developer for the four lots, have the developer write the check directly to the seller and have the City purchase the remaining property. If that scenario were crafted, the City Council would not need to vote on this order. The reason the City Council is voting on this order is because there is benefits to the title of those four lots to come to the City. Habitat for Humanity is the likely developer for the land for affordable housing for first time home ownership. There is a grant that Habitat for Humanity would be eligible for that is scored out of 100 points. Of those 100 points, 10 points are granted if the land is donated. So if the Mayor gives \$20,000 to Habitat to buy the land and Habitat then writes a check to purchase the land, they would not be eligible for the 10 points. If the City buys the lots and donates the land to Habitat, then this would create better funding opportunity for the project. Before tonight there were a lot of questions about the property that could not be answered until the City was able to perform due diligence, including perc testing, surveying, etc. When the project goes to the Planning Board next Thursday, it is not to approve the four homes, but rather to amend the original special permit from 24 homes down to four.

Councilor Dwight asked Director Feiden to explain the difference between "low income housing" and "affordable housing". Director Feiden noted that "low income" focuses on people's income, while affordable housing refers to housing that is affordable for people. The market that Habitat is looking for are people who are working. They wouldn't be homeless or without a job. The target that the City had in the RFP specified people who were earning 80% of median income or below. What that number actually is depends on the number of people in the family. Councilor Dwight noted that when the project was first discussed, it was to address a neighborhood need about a large scale development project that was proposed by a private developer. This developer would have been allowed by right once they passed permitting. The neighborhood was very concerned about the scale of the project. What was worked out was the best possible prospect, including the creation of a buffer, and diminishing the impact to the neighbors.

Director Feiden noted that three years ago when the permitting was done, there were a dozen or so people who came before the Planning Board and raised concerns. The Planning Board had to approve the project because it met the criterion that has been established.

Councilor LaBarge stated that as a City Councilor in Ward 6, she believes that everyone worked together to fight the twenty-four home scenario. She did not approve of the project and was very vocal about her concerns. There were meetings just like the one that is planned for tomorrow night. She does not have to have the meetings, but she is doing it so that the owner can hear about what a project is all about. She felt the septic system was unacceptable. There were also people on Westhampton Road who were not going to support the project. When she received a call from a resident who is an abutter, she met with Director Feiden and the abutter; they walked the property together. As far as four houses, Councilor LaBarge feels it is acceptable. Tonight she hears from a resident who just moved into the neighborhood, that she had not been notified about the plans. Director Feiden explained that notices should have gone out for the public hearing and an orange sign went up as well. People are much more likely to notice a sign than a legal ad in the Gazette. Abutters are also notified by mail, but state law requires that the notice be sent to abutters as of January 1st.

Motion to approve
16.139 in 2nd
Reading

Councilor O'Donnell moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor Bidwell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sclarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried

The following order passed second reading:

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Planning & Sustainability

**16.139
An Order
To Authorize Four Lots for Affordable Housing on
Glendale Road**

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, On May 19, 2016, City Council approved purchase of 55± acres located between Glendale and Westhampton Roads, the approved 24 lot Kensington Estates subdivision, for open space and a limited housing development;

WHEREAS, The City has proceeded with its due diligence and designed a limited development scenario that preserves the quality open space and provides much needed affordable housing, taking advantage of existing utilities, the best soils, and the lowest development and permitting costs;

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WHEREAS, The limited development scenario includes:

1. 53.13± acres as an addition to the Mineral Hills Conservation Area
2. Four building lots on 2.2± acres (instead of the developer's planned 24 lots)
3. The four lots being dedicated for first-time home buyer affordable housing
4. Two driveways (instead of the developer's planned one-third mile road)
5. 0.09± acres surplus to other city needs to be donated to the abutter who is most effected by the project
6. Community Development Block Grant will fund the purchase of the building lots to create permanent affordability.

WHEREAS, The previous approval remains in effect, which authorizes the city to purchase the conservation land, and no further conservation approval is required.

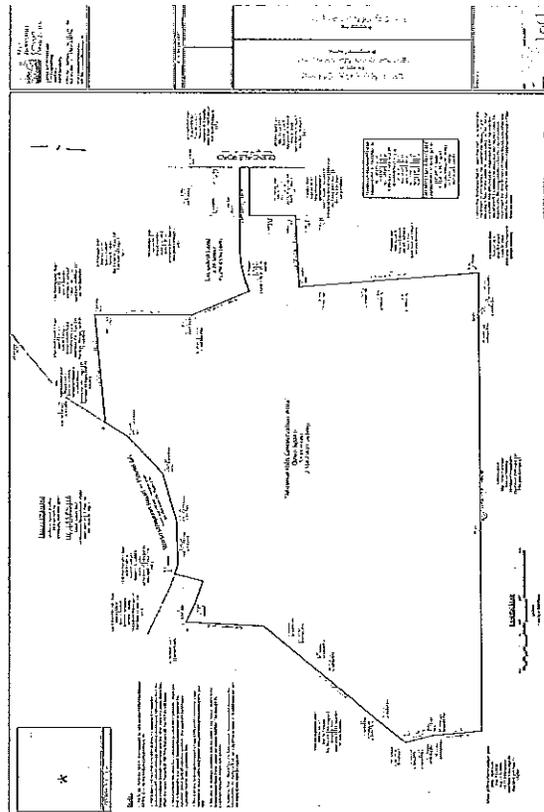
Ordered, that

The Mayor is authorized to accept a deed or deeds to the above referenced 2.29± acres;

Further, that City Council declares such land surplus to City needs;

Further, that the Mayor is authorized to transfer deeds to:

1. The abutter for the surplus land (Parcel A, 0.09± acres)
2. An affordable housing developer for the four building lots (Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, 2.2± acres)



16.139 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.149 An Order to authorize payment for a previous year bill for the DPW - 1st Reading

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<p><u>16.149 Continued</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.149 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p>Councilor Murphy moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor Carney seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p><u>See minutes of September 15, 2016 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>16.150 An Order to appropriate \$17,045 for stair repair at the Academy of Music - 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.150 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>16.150 An Order to appropriate \$17,045 for stair repair at the Academy of Music - 1st Reading</u></p> <p>Councilor Murphy moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p><u>See minutes of September 15, 2016 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>16.151 An Order to appropriate \$41,137 for replacement of 1986 six-wheel sander for DPW - 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.151 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>16.151 An Order to appropriate \$41,137 for replacement of 1986 six-wheel sander for DPW - 1st Reading</u></p> <p>Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p><u>See minutes of September 15, 2016 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>16.152 An Order to rescind borrowing authority for various projects - 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.152 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>16.152 An Order to rescind borrowing authority for various projects - 1st Reading</u></p> <p>Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p><u>See minutes of September 15, 2016 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>16.153 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects - 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.153 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>16.153 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects - 1st Reading</u></p> <p>Councilor O'Donnell moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p><u>See minutes of September 15, 2016 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>16.155 An Order to appropriate \$60,000 to demolish or make safe a fire damaged structure at 49 Round Hill Road - Request 2 Readings</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.155 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p> <p><u>Motion to suspend City Council Rules to allow for 2nd Reading</u></p>	<p><u>16.155 An Order to appropriate \$60,000 to demolish or make safe a fire damaged structure at 49 Round Hill Road - Request 2 Readings</u></p> <p>Councilor Klein moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p> <p>Councilor LaBarge moved to suspend council rules to allow for a second reading; Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.</p>

16.155 Continued

Motion Carried

Motion to approve
16.155 in 2nd
Reading

Councilor Murphy moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried

The following order passed second reading:
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

16.155
AN ORDER

To appropriate \$60,000 to demolish or make safe a fire damaged structure at 49 Round Hill Road

Ordered, that:

the sum of \$ 60,000 be and hereby is appropriated to the Emergency Demolition Account (19303-586124-14) from the Stabilization Fund to demolish or make safe a fire damaged structure located at 49 Round Hill Road in accordance with the Massachusetts State Building Code, 780 CMR chapter 1, section 116.4 and pursuant to the recovery provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 139, §3A and in accordance with Chapter 2 of the State Sanitary Code 105 CMR 410.

16.155 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.140 An Order to
authorize the
purchase of 17.90
acres to add to the
Saw Mill Hills
Conservation area
east of Sylvester
Road - 2nd Reading

16.140 An Order to authorize the purchase of 17.90 acres to add to the Saw Mill Hills Conservation area east of Sylvester Road - 2nd Reading

Motion to approve
16.140 in 2nd
Reading

Councilor Bidwell moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried

The following order passed second reading:
Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, Planning & Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission

16.140
An Order

To Authorize the Purchase of 17.9 Acres to add to Saw Mill Hill Conservation Area East of Sylvester Road

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, The *Open Space and Recreation Plan: 2011-2018* recommends preserving open space in the Saw Mill Hills to fill in wildlife and walking trail gaps in the preserved conservation area;

WHEREAS, The owners, for over two centuries, of 17.9± acres located on Roberts Hill in the Saw Mill Hills Conservation Area, south of Cheslerfield Road and east of Sylvester Road have agreed to sell their property for \$26,850;

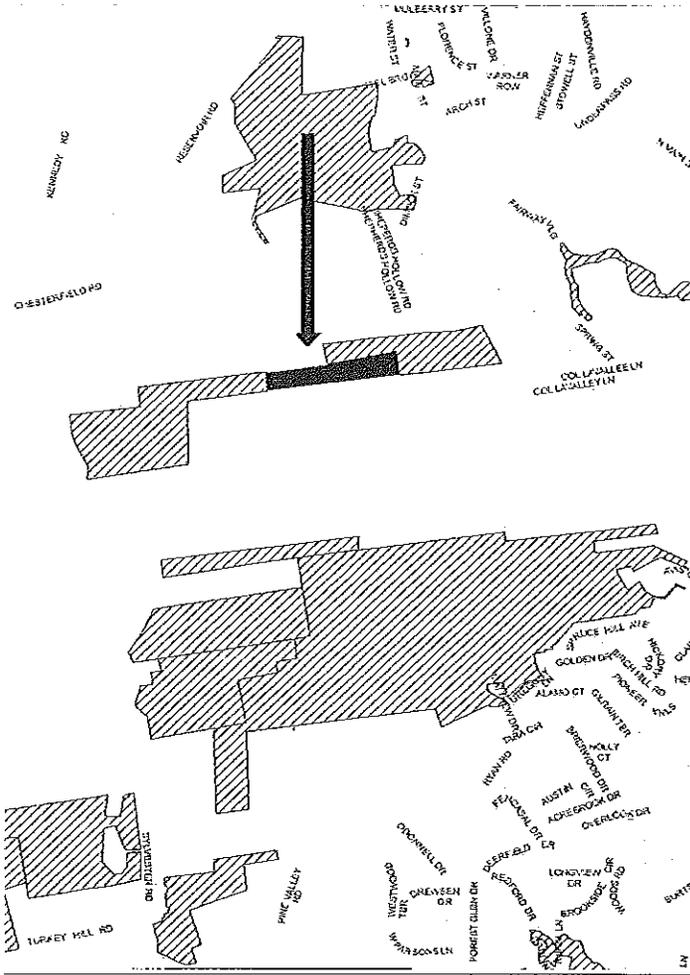
WHEREAS, While the land is landlocked and has no development value, it fills a critical gap within the Saw Mill Hills Conservation Area;

WHEREAS, The city has already raised all of the purchase price from community contributions and no new city appropriation or CPA funds are required;

Ordered, that

The Conservation Commission is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire for conservation and passive recreation purposes, as provided by MGL Chapter 40, §8C, any fee, easement or conservation restriction as defined in MGL Chapter 184, §31 or any other interest in the above land and any immediately adjoining land; that the City Council hereby accepts such conservation restrictions; that the Conservation Commission is authorized to grant conservation restrictions on any land so acquired;

16.140 Continued



16.140 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.141 An Order to authorize the purchase of 20 acres to add to the Broad Brook Greenway west of North Farms Road - 2nd Reading

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Motion to approve 16.141 in 2nd Reading

Councilor O'Donnell moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried

The following order passed second reading:
Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, Planning & Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission

16.141
An Order
To Authorize the Purchase of 20 Acres to add to the Broad Brook Greenway
West of North Farms Road

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, The *Open Space and Recreation Plan: 2011-2018* recommends preserving open space in the Broad Brook Greenway to fill in wildlife and walking trail gaps in the preserved conservation area;

WHEREAS, The owner of 20± acres located adjacent to the Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway, west of North Farms Road, has agreed to sell their property for \$20,000;

WHEREAS, This purchase will provide the first walking link from North Farms Road to the Beaver Brook/Broad

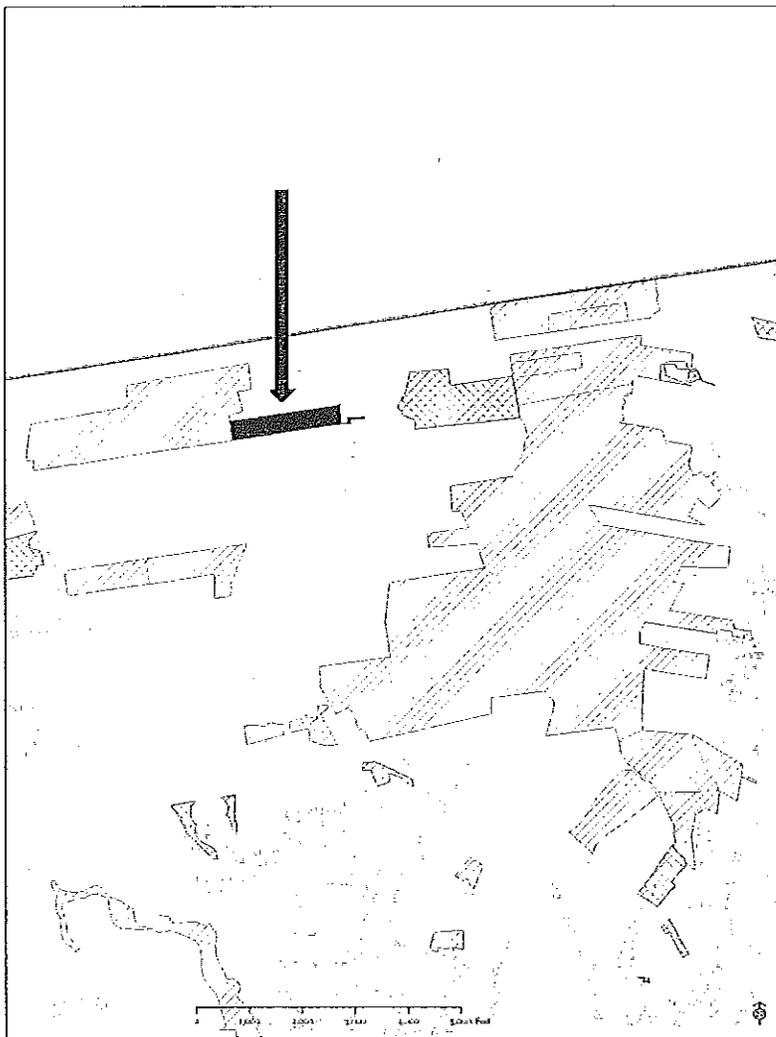
16.141 Continued

Brook Greenway, creating an exciting link;

WHEREAS, Funding will come from Community Preservation Act and from community contributions;

Ordered, that

The Conservation Commission is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire for conservation and passive recreation purposes, as provided by MGL Chapter 40, §8C, any fee, easement or conservation restriction as defined in MGL Chapter 184, §31 or any other interest in the above land and any immediately adjoining land; that the City Council hereby accepts such conservation restrictions; that the Conservation Commission is authorized to grant conservation restrictions on any land so acquired.



16.141 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.143 An Order to authorize the purchase of 9 lots for limited development off Burts Pit Road and Overlook Drive - 2nd Reading

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Motion to approve 16.143 in 2nd Reading
16.143 Continued

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Motion Carried | The following order passed second reading:
Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Planning & Sustainability

16.143

An Order

**Authorizing the purchase of 9 Lots for limited development off
Burts Pit Road and Overlook Drive**

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, On May 19, 2016, City Council approved purchase of 110± acres located between Burts Pit Road, Stone Ridge Road, Overlook Drive, and Florence Road, for open space and a limited housing development;

WHEREAS, The City has proceeded with its due diligence and designed a limited development scenario that preserves the quality open space and provides much needed housing, taking advantage of existing utilities, the best soils, the most environmentally sensitive design, and the lowest development and permitting costs;

WHEREAS, The City's goal in this limited development scenario is the creation of at least two lots dedicated for first-time buyer affordable housing;

WHEREAS, The limited development scenario includes:

1. 110± acres as an addition to Brookwood Marsh Conservation Area
2. Up to nine building lots on 2.67± acres (as shown on the attached preliminary plan) as follows:
 - A. Overlook Drive Lot 1, only if there is not funding to keep as open space and
 - B. Burts Pit Road Lots 3 through 10, with ~~one or two~~ a number of lots dedicated for first-time home buyer affordable housing if CDBG and other funding is available
3. Driveways (instead of the developer's planned roads)

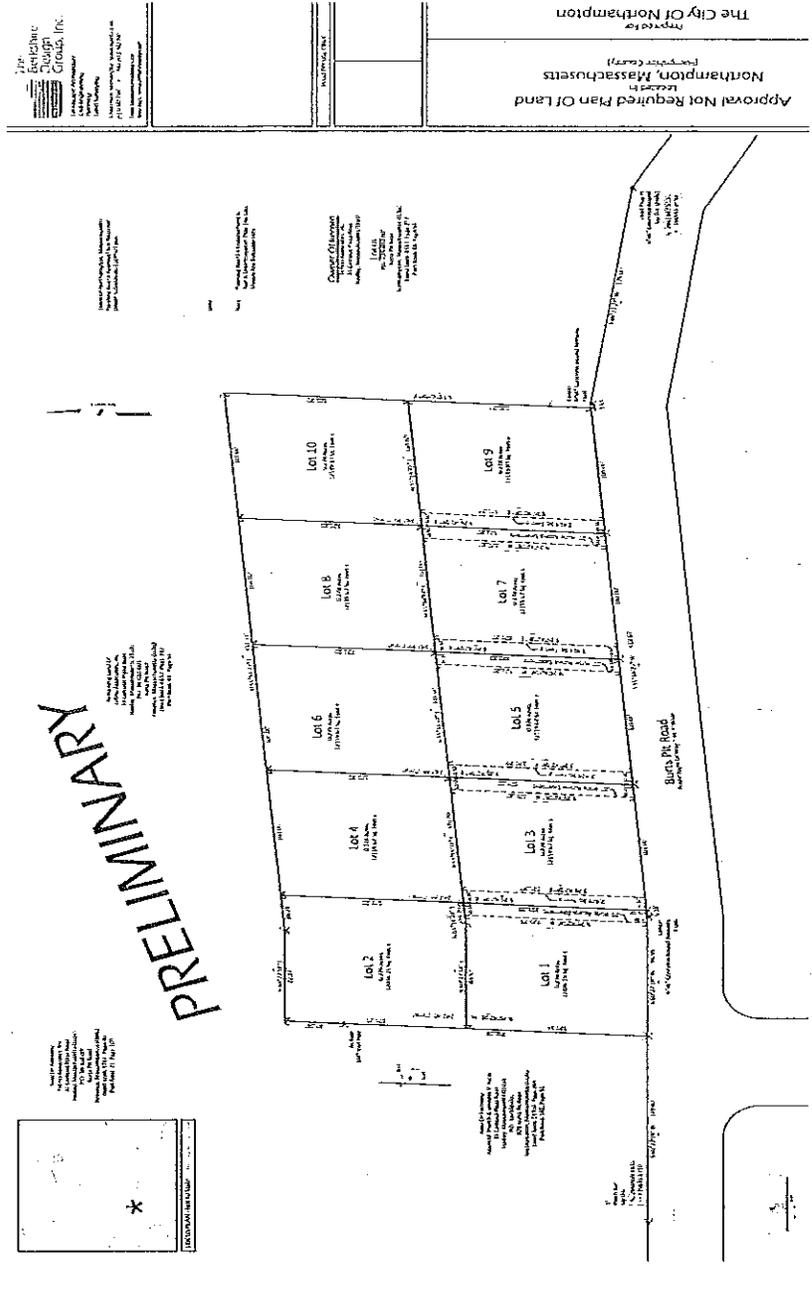
WHEREAS, The previous approval remains in effect, which authorizes the city to purchase the conservation land, and no further conservation approval is required.

Ordered, that

The Mayor is authorized to accept a deed or deeds to the above referenced 2.67± acres;
Further, that City Council declares such land surplus to City needs;

Further, that the Mayor is authorized to transfer deeds for the building lots.

16.143 Continued



<u>16.144 Continued</u>	Jankowski and Spencer, PC - \$777.00 Legal Services Jankowski and Spencer, PC - \$1,237.50 Legal Services Jankowski and Spencer, PS - \$1,229 Legal Services
<u>16.144 Enrolled</u>	<u>Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.</u>
<u>16.145 An Order to accept a gift of a van from PVTA for the IT Department - 2nd Reading</u>	<u>16.145 An Order to accept a gift of a van from PVTA for the IT Department - 2nd Reading</u>
<u>Motion to approve 16.145 in 2nd reading</u>	Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.
<u>Motion Carried</u>	<u>The following order passed second reading:</u> <u>Upon recommendation of the Mayor</u> <u>16.145</u> <u>An Order</u> <u>To Authorize acceptance a gift of a</u> <u>2010 Ford Transit Connect van for the IT Department</u> <u>Ordered, that</u> The City of Northampton gratefully accepts the donation of a 2010 Ford Transit Connect van from the Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (PVTA) in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53A, to be used by the Information Technology (IT) Department.
<u>16.145 Enrolled</u>	<u>Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.</u>
<u>Orders</u>	<u>Orders</u>
<u>16.146 Accept a deed or a taking for Pleasant Street from Holyoke Street to Hockanum Road - 2nd Reading</u>	<u>16.146 Accept a deed or a taking for Pleasant Street from Holyoke Street to Hockanum Road - 2nd Reading</u>
<u>Motion to approve 16.146 in 2nd Reading</u>	Councilor O'Donnell moved to approve the order in second reading; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.
<u>Motion Carried</u>	<u>The following order passed second reading:</u> <u>Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz</u> <u>16.146</u> <u>An Order</u> <u>To Accept A Deed for a portion of Pleasant Street</u> WHEREAS, On July 14, 2016, City Council approved a petition accepting Pleasant Street from Holyoke Street to Hockanum Road (currently a MassDOT layout); WHEREAS, MassDOT has provided the City with the final survey for this work and City Council final approval to accept a deed or taking for this property is required. <u>Ordered, that</u> The Mayor is authorized to accept a deed or deeds to the above referenced Pleasant Street layout, substantially as shown on the attached survey. <u>Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.</u>

their every word and document is scoured for potential exclusion from the process, then Councilor Dwight feels that this would be bad. This level of scrutiny would diminish the desire to work in a volunteer capacity; who among "us" does not speak inappropriately from time to time. Councilor Dwight apologized for the inappropriate comment he made in a recent newspaper article about the issue; he feels his words were poorly chosen.

Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests

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None

New Business

New Business: None

At 9:30 p.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Murphy and seconded by Councilor Klein. The vote to adjourn passed on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra), 1 Vacant.

Attest:



Administrative Assistant to the City Council

2015-2016 City Council Roll Call Record

Record of City Council Votes for September 1, 2016

	Vacant	Bidwell	Carmey	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	O'Donnell	Sciarr	Total
Roll Call by Pamela L. Powers, Administrative Assistant to the City Council @ 7:25 p.m.		Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	8 Present, 0 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.147 A Resolution Opposing Lifting the Cap on Commonwealth Charter Schools		Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Abstain	Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant, 1 Abstenion
16.149 An Order to authorize payment for a previous year bill for the DPW		Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.150 An Order to appropriate \$17,045 for stair repair at the Academy of Music		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.151 An Order to appropriate \$41,137 for replacement of 1986 six-wheel sander for DPW		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.152 An Order to rescind borrowing authority for various projects		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.153 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.155 An Order to appropriate \$50,000 to demolish or make safe a fire damaged structure at 49 Round Hill Road		Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
		Councillor LaBarge moved to suspend City Council rules to allow for second reading; Councillor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Sciarr was absent.								
		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant

2015-2016 City Council Roll Call Record

Record of City Council Votes for September 1, 2016

	Vacant	Bldwell	Carmey	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	O'Donnell	Sciarra	Total
16.139 An Order to Authorize Purchase of Four Lots for Affordable Housing on Glendale Road		Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.140 An Order to authorize the purchase of 17.90 acres to add to the Saw Mill Hills Conservation area east of Sylvester Road		Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.141 An Order to authorize the purchase of 20 acres to add to the Broad Brook Greenway west of North Farms Road		Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.143 An Order to authorize the purchase of 9 lots for limited development off Burts Pit Road and Overlook Drive		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.144 Order to authorize payment for prior year bills		Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
16.145 An Order to accept a gift of a van from PVT A for the IT Department		Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant
Accept a deed or a taking for Pleasant Street from Holyoke Street to Hockanum Road		Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to Approve Yes	Absent	Motion Carried 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant

At 9:30 pm Councilor Murphy motioned to adjourn; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 7 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 1 Vacant.
Recorded By:

Pamela L. Powers, Administrative Assistant to the City Council
(413) 587-1210; ppowers@northamptonma.gov



MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ

City of Northampton

Office of the Mayor

210 Main Street Room 12

Northampton, MA 01060-3199

(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275

mayor@northamptonma.gov

DATE: September 13, 2016

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz

SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please find the attached appointments and re-appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Arts Council:

- Joseph Pesce, 685 Ryan Road, Florence – term October 2016 – June 2019

Board of Assessors:

- Denny Nolan, 319 Elm Street, Northampton – term October 2016 – June 2019
- Margo Welch, 143 Main Street, Northampton – term July 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Planning Board:

- Euripedes De Oliveira , Associate Member, 9 Washington Place, Northampton – term October 2016 – June 2019

Cc: City Clerk, Wendy Mazza



**City of Northampton
Application for Appointment to
Boards, Committees and Commissions**

Name: JOSEPH PESCE
 Address: 685 RYAN RD. FLORENCE, MA.
 Email: pescejoseph@gmail.com
 Home Phone: Work: Cell: 617-866-0580
 Occupation: Sculptor Years lived in Northampton: 5

Please indicate the Committee(s) you have interest serving on: *(Appointment subject to vacancies)*

Agricultural Commission	License Commission
Almoners, Board of	Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees
Arts Council	Parks and Recreation Commission
Assessors, Board of	Planning Board
Central Business Architecture Committee	Public Shade Tree Commission
Community Preservation Committee	Public Works Commission
Conservation Commission	Redevelopment Authority
Council on Aging	Registrars, Board of
Disability Commission	Transportation & Parking Commission
Energy & Sustainability Commission	Trust Fund Committee
Health, Board of	Youth Commission
Historical Commission	Zoning Board of Appeals
Housing Partnership	
Human Rights Commission	

What skills and experience will you bring to this Committee assignment:
(attach additional sheet or resume if necessary)

Are you currently serving or have you served on any City committee: No Yes*
*(*If yes please state what committee)*

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SIGNATURE Joseph Pesce DATE July 20, 2016

Please Return Form To: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or
 David J. Narkewicz, Mayor, 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

*This information will be used for diversity purposes only.
Complete it only if you wish to do so.*

Age: Under 29 ___ 30-39 ___ 40-49 ___ 50-59 ___ 60-69 ___ 70 plus ___

Sex: M ___ F ___ Racial/Ethnic Background _____

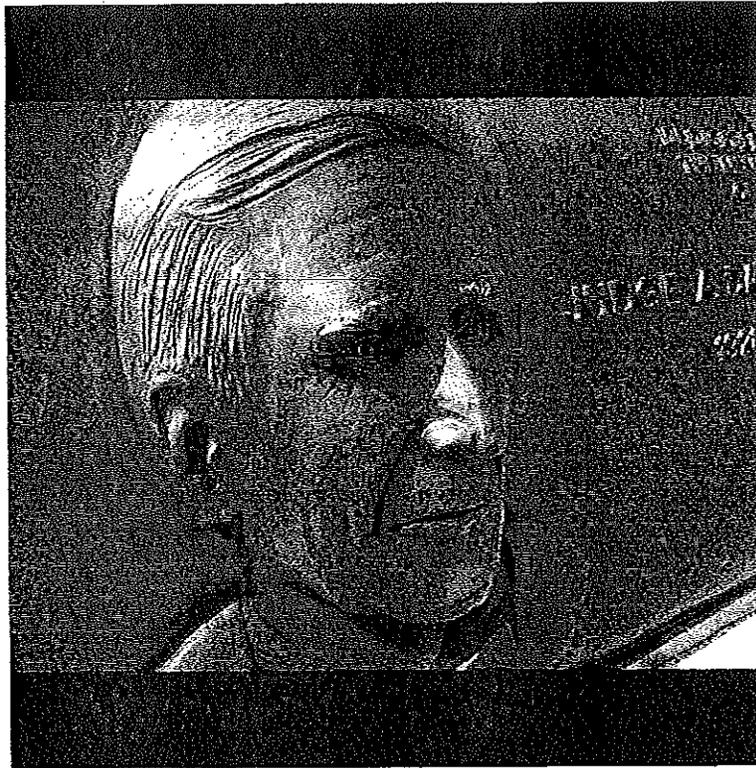
Joseph Pesce

685 Ryan Rd
Florence, MA. 01062

Studio Address:
Pygmalion Elements & Sculpture
150 Pleasant Street
Easthampton, MA. 01027

617-866-0580
email = pygmaliones@gmail.com
web = sculpture-props.com

EIN#45-377-2127



Public Art

- **Judge A. David Mazzone Memorial** – Deer Island, Boston, MA.

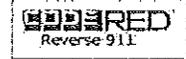
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City of Northampton, Massachusetts



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Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name*	Last Name*	Title, if applicable
DENNY	NOLAN	

Address1*

319 Elm St. NORTHAMPTON, MA. 01060

Address2

City*	State*	Zip*

Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone
→	→ →	413-626-2357

Occupation & Place of Employment

Realtor Denny Nolan R.E.

Email

<dnolan3170@yahoo.com>

Sex

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

- Male
- Female

Years Lived in Northampton

73

Age

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

- Under 29
- 30 - 39
- 40 - 49
- 50 - 59
- 60 - 69
- 70 plus

Racial / Ethnic Background

WHITE guy

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

Boards and Committees

Please indicate the boards and committees you have an interest serving on.

- Agricultural Commission
- Almoners, Board of
- Arts Council
- Assessors, Board of
- Central Business Architecture Committee
- Community Preservation Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Council on Aging
- Disability Commission
- Energy & Sustainability Commission
- Health, Board of
- Historical Commission
- Housing Partnership
- Human Rights Commission
- License Commission
- Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Planning Board
- Public Shade Tree Commission
- Public Works Commission
- Redevelopment Authority
- Registrars, Board of
- Transportation & Parking Commission
- Trust Fund Committee
- Youth Commission
- Zoning Board of Appeals

Please list "other" board or committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?*

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?*

No

Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on

Chairman of Smith School School Board / Elm St Historic Dist
(founder)

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Signature*

Denny Nolan

Date*

mm/dd/yyyy
8-24-2016

Receive email copy

Email address

<Dnolan3170@yahoo.com>

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City of Northampton

Pamela Powers <ppowers@northamptonma.gov>

Fwd: Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

1 message

Mayor of Northampton Mass. <mayor@northamptonma.gov>
To: Pamela Powers <ppowers@northamptonma.gov>

Tue, Sep 13, 2016 at 12:11 PM

Pam,

The Mayor has added Margo Welch to his memo. Here is here application and the updated memo.

Best,

Bridget

----- Forwarded message -----

From: <noreply@civicplus.com>

Date: Tue, Sep 13, 2016 at 11:45 AM

Subject: Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	MARGO E.
Last Name	WELCH
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	143 Main Street
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060-3140
Home Phone	4132031032
Work Phone	4135863558

Cell Phone	4137752989
Occupation & Place of Employment	Attorney; self employed attorney under business name of Welch Law Offices located in Northampton
Email	margo.welch@verizon.net
Sex	Female
Years Lived in Northampton	born in Northampton, 46 yrs
Age	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Racial / Ethnic Background	caucasian
Boards and Committees	Assessors, Board of
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	Presently serving on Board of Assessors but term has run and would like Board appointment to be renewed and continue my service
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Have also service on Council on Aging

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree.
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Signature	Margo E. Welch
Date	9/13/2016

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Lyn N. Simmons, Chief of Staff
Cyndi Murphy, Executive Assistant
Bridget Rodrigue, Mayoral Assistant
Office of Mayor David J. Narkewicz
City of Northampton
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Northampton

Mayor of Northampton Mass. <mayor@northamptonma.gov>

Planning Board

Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

1 message

noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com>
To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

Wed, Apr 27, 2016 at 1:33 AM

Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Euripedes
Last Name	De Oliveira
Title, if applicable	Mr.
Address1	9 Washington Place
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	310-403-3898
Work Phone	310-403-3898
Cell Phone	310-403-3898
Occupation & Place of Employment	Urban Studies, Regional Planning, and International Development, Lecturer at California State University Northridge, and at the University of Massachusetts Amherst . PhD candidate in Regional Planning at University of Massachusetts Amherst.
Email	euriboj@msn.com
Sex	Male
Years Lived in Northampton	7

Age	50 - 59
Racial / Ethnic Background	Latino with Portugese ancestry
Boards and Committees	Planning Board
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?

I have always been intrigued with the many aspects of urban life, and its complex array of cultures and behaviors, that I have experienced when living in rural towns or in the world-class city of Sao Paulo, Brazil, and Los Angeles, USA. I am a homeowner in Northampton and have a deep professional and personal interest in the city and its future, and would like to be considered for a member position in the Planning Board. My academic and professional interests are in the fields of urban studies, regional planning, and international development. I am a lecturer in these fields at both California State University Northridge, and University of Massachusetts Amherst. I am a Regional Planning PhD candidate at LARP/UMass, my dissertation concerns local planning and climate change. I lived in Santa Monica/CA, before moving to Northampton in 2009. Back then, as a resident I joined the Sustainable City Task Force, wherein we advised City Council and help to raise awareness in the community at large about sustainability and the city's Sustainable City Plan (SCP). We developed strategies to work with city stakeholders in the revision of the city's 10-years old SCP. I believe that one of my chief strengths is to reach out and engage with stakeholders and to work effectively with diverse audiences of people to accomplish my work. As you will note from my resume I speak three languages (English, Portuguese, and Spanish) and have a proven track record of communicating planning or technical concepts in layman's terms.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND
 PhD Candidate 2015; University of Massachusetts Amherst (UMass); Planning and Climate Change Teaching Credential 2005, California State University Northridge (CSUN); High School Social Studies M.L.A. 2003 University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA); Latin American Studies M.U.P. 2002 University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA); Regional and International Development B.A. 2000 California State University Northridge (CSUN); Urban Studies and Planning

AWARD/GRANT GPEAN/ACSP grant for presentation at IV World Planning Schools Congress, Brazil (2016) University of Massachusetts Amherst's College Soc. Behavioral Sciences Online Fellowship (2015) Recipient of the 4-year grant under the DOE/FIPSE U.S. Brazil Consortia Program (2009-2015) University of Massachusetts Amherst's LARP grant for presentation at 54th ACSP Conference (2014) CSU Northridge's President Honor of Principal Investigator Achievements (2012, 2013, 2014) California State University (CSU) Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program (2009-2012) University

Massachusetts Amherst Graduate School's Externship Incentive Program (2009-2011) LANGUAGE SPOKEN Portuguese – native, English – fluent, and Spanish - proficient EMPLOYMENT HISTORY 2015 to present – Lecturer, Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning Department (UMass) Design and lecture summer online class: SUSTCOMM 205 Dynamics of Human Habitation. 2009 - 2015 – Principal Investigator, Brazil Higher Education Consortia (DOE/FIPSE) Conceptualization, curriculum development, coordination, and proposal writing leading to the 5-year grant award from Fund to Improve Post-Secondary Education FIPSE/U.S. Brazil Higher Ed. Consortia. 2007 - 2010 – International Special Program Director, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences (CSUN) Develop programmatic initiatives between CSUN and Brazilian academia, and state/local governments. 2005 – Program Development, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (URBS/CSUN) Design and coordination of student field-study to Curitiba, Brasília, Goiânia, and Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) 2002 to present – Lecturer, Department of Urban Studies and Planning (CSUN) Design, lead and lecture upper division online and live classes: URBS 350, URBS 310, and URBS 499. 2001-2002 Community Development Specialist, Association of Salvadorans of Los Angeles (ASOSAL) Provide in loco assistance to Salvadoran reconstruction projects in response to 2001-2002 earthquakes. 1998-1999 Project Manager Assistant, Community Development Commission of the County of Los Angeles" (LACDC), Economic Redevelopment Division (ER) Responsible for various specialized tasks including monitoring qualification and selection process for RFB and RFQ. 1994-2001 Independent Consultant, Southern California (USA), Provide consulting and report preparation services for commercial and industrial real estate appraisal. PUBLICATIONS De Oliveira, Euripedes (2014) "Framing Climate Change through a Layperson's Perspective: A Latin American Experience in the Brazilian Savanna – Cerrado" (Paper 1), in UPE 11 Conducir las Transformaciones urbanas; un debate sobre direcciones, orientaciones, estrategias y politicas que modelan la ciudad future; Abate, Carlos A. et al (Eds), Universidad Nacional de la Plata, La Plata, Argentina, E-Book, ISBN 978-950-34-1133-9, http://www.upe11.org/digital_book, vo. 1, 230-240. Cain, De Oliveira, Gagnon, Gill, Hill, et al (2009) "Town of Ludlow Master Plan: Part I - Envisioning 2030", LARP, University of Massachusetts Amherst, scholarworks@library.umass.edu, pp 246. Cain, De Oliveira, Gagnon, Gill, Hill, et al (2009) "Town of Ludlow Master Plan: Part II - Envisioning 2030", LARP, University of Massachusetts Amherst, scholarworks@library.umass.edu, pp 83. De Oliveira, Euripedes (2007) "Development Policies: Gender and the Santo André Experience, SP, Brazil", in Encruzilhada, University of California, UCLA, 33-39. CONFERENCES (papers presented) 2014 "Framing Climate Change through a Layperson's

Perspective: A Latin American Experience in the Brazilian Savanna – Cerrado" (Trilogy Paper 2), 54th ACSP, Philadelphia, PE, USA. 2014 "Framing Climate Change through a Layperson's Perspective: A Latin American Experience in the Brazilian Savanna – Cerrado" (Trilogy Paper 1), 11th Symposium of International Urban Planning and Environmental Association (UPE 11), La Plata, BA, Argentina. 2005 "Development Policies: Gender and the Santo André Experience, SP, Brazil", XXVIII Symposium on Portuguese Traditions: Europe, America, Africa, and Asia, UCLA, CA, USA. KEYNOTE SPEAKING 2013 Keynote speaker, "International Consortia Roles and the Global Citizenship Perspective", Federal University of Goiás UFG/IESA, GO, Brazil. 2008 Guest speaker, "Global Engagement and the International Education Exchange: A Case Study of California State University Northridge and the Goiás State, Brazil", XIII Conference of Southern California Brazilianists, UCLA, CA, USA. 2007 Guest speaker, "Brazil Gateway for Latin America: Building Partnerships", Five Colleges Network, UMass Amherst, MA, USA. 2006 Guest speaker, "Higher Education and Social Responsibility", XXIV National Forum for Education of Architecture and Urbanism (ENSEA), Catholic University of Goiás, Goiânia, Brazil. 2004 Guest speaker, "Gender Implications of Development Policies: The Case Study of the 'Integrated Program for Social Inclusion (PIIS)', Santo Andre, Brazil", IX Conference of Southern California Brazilianists, California State Fullerton, CA, USA. 2001 Keynote speaker, "The 30-year Planning of Curitiba, Brazil", Universidad Albert Einstein, Departments of Architecture and Social Sciences, San Salvador, El Salvador. COMMUNITY SERVICES 2015 – Focus group member for the Sustainable Design Assessment Team (SDAT), Northampton. 2008 - 2009 Researcher Associate at the LA and Latino/a Studies Program, Smith College, MA 2008 - Research Council for the "Geography Bulletin of Goiás/Boletim Goiano de Geografia" (IESA). 2007 – Presentation "CSUN's internationalization" at the annual Faculty Retreat. 2006 – 2007 Logistic support to Brazilian Consulate and CSUN to advance academic affairs with Brazil. 2004- 2005 Committee member of the Sustainable City Task Force (SCTF), City of Santa Monica, CA. 2000-2003 Executive Committee Member "Symposium of Portuguese Traditions", UCLA, CA MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATIONS: Association of Collegiate of Schools of Planning (ACSP); NAFSA (Association of International Educators); ACSP/GPEIG (Global Planning Educators Interest Group); Committee of the Symposium of Portuguese Traditions, UCLA; BRASA – Brazilian Studies Association; Southern California Brazilianists Association. RESEARCH INTEREST Planning for North American cities; climate change adaptation; participatory planning and civic engagement; Latin America's gender roles, social movements, and poverty; cross comparative studies of urban planning,

development strategies and collaborative networks in the Americas.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? No

Please list other city committees you have served on n/a

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree.

The filing of this form does not guarantee my appointment. An application is kept on file for two (2) years; after that I must file a new application. Being appointed to a committee, board, or commission means that I am considered a Municipal Employee under MGL Chapter 268A and thereby subject to Conflict of Interest Law MGL Chapter 268A, Financial Disclosure Law MGL Chapter 268B, as well as Open Meeting Law MGL Chapter 39: Section 23B. I understand that I will take the conflict of interest test after being appointed and that I also must be sworn in by the City Clerk. I will contact the appointing authority with any questions about my service. Important: Once this form is submitted it becomes a public document, if there is information you do not want open to the public please do not include it on this form.

Signature Euripedes De Oliveira

Date 4/28/2016

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City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 15, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

16.157
AN ORDER

to authorize payment of a previous year bill to Comcast in the amount of \$154.83

BE IT ORDERED

that the Council authorize payment of a prior fiscal year bill (FY2016) related to the DPW for Comcast in the amount of \$154.83.

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

September 1, 2016

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.156

An Order

To accept a gift of crosswalk equipment from Northampton Montessori School

Ordered, that

The City of Northampton gratefully accepts the donation of crosswalk equipment for Bates Avenue from the Northampton Montessori School, in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53A.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 15, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

16.162
AN ORDER

to appropriate \$13,550 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Bridge Street School

Ordered, that:

That the City of Northampton appropriate the amount of \$13,550 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Bridge Street Elementary School, located at 2 Parson Street, Northampton, MA 01060, a school serving public school students in grades kindergarten thru fifth grade, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which City of Northampton may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Northampton School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation the Northampton City Council, with the approval of the Mayor will appropriate \$9,032 from funds remaining in the account entitled Ryan Road Roof Membrane Project (19303 586503) and \$4,518 from funds remaining in the account entitled Leeds Roof Membrane Project (19303 586514). The City of Northampton acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the City of Northampton incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City of Northampton.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 15, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

16.163
AN ORDER

to appropriate \$13,214 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Leeds Elementary School

Ordered, that:

That the City of Northampton appropriate the amount of \$13,214 for the purpose of paying costs of a roofing replacement schematic design feasibility study for the Leeds Elementary School, located at 20 Florence Street, Northampton, MA 01060, a school serving public school students in grades kindergarten thru fifth grade, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which City of Northampton may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Northampton School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation the Northampton City Council, with the approval of the Mayor will appropriate necessary funds from funds remaining in the account entitled Leeds Roof Membrane Project (19303 586514). The City of Northampton acknowledges that the MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the City of Northampton incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City of Northampton.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 1, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.149
AN ORDER

To authorize payment of a pervious year bill totaling \$268.00

BE IT ORDERED

that the Council authorize payment of a prior fiscal year bill (FY2015) related to the DPW for Alternative Recycling Systems Composting Services in the amount of \$268.00.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 1, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.150
AN ORDER

To Appropriate \$17,045 for stair repair at the Academy of Music

Ordered, that:

City Council appropriate \$17,045 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to provide funding for the repair of the side stage door granite stairs at the Academy of Music.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 1, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.151
AN ORDER

To Appropriate \$41,137 for replacement of 1986 six-wheel sander for DPW

Ordered, that:

City Council appropriate \$41,137 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to provide additional funding for the approved replacement of a 1986 six-wheel sander for the DPW for which bids have been obtained for a total cost of \$231,137, which exceeds the originally estimated and appropriated amount of \$190,000.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 1, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.152
AN ORDER
To Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects

Ordered, that:

the City Council rescind only the borrowing authority granted in the following orders because such borrowing authority is no longer necessary:

Order approved on February 19, 2015 to authorize borrowing in the amount of \$491,486 for the partial replacement of the roof at Leeds Elementary School.

Order approved on February 19, 2015 to authorize borrowing in the amount of \$901,554 for the partial replacement of the roof at R.K. Finn Ryan Road Elementary School.

Order approved on August 13, 2015 to authorize borrowing in the amount of \$625,000 for the purpose of improvements to Pulaski Park – Phase II.

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In City Council September 1, 2016
Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

O-16.153
AN ORDER

To Rescind Borrowing Authority for various projects

Ordered, that:

the City Council rescind a small portion of the borrowing authority granted in the following orders because such authority is no longer necessary:

Rescind \$13 of the \$1,354,013 borrowing authority approved on April 21, 2016 for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements.

Rescind \$500 of the \$456,500 borrowing authority approved on April 21, 2016 for VOIP System.

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of Office of Planning and Sustainability

16.158

An Ordinance

to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for URB Districts

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by correcting section 350 Attachment 7 of said code; reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit.

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

Add bullet in list of uses allowed by special permit shown below.

URB USES ALLOWED

Special Permit Approval required for the following uses by Planning Board unless otherwise noted:

- Solar photovoltaic (PV), large-scale groundmounted not requiring the removal of more than 25,000 board feet of timber. Setbacks:

Front: 50 feet
Side: 50 feet
Rear: 50 feet
Maximum height = 30 feet
Open space = 20%

A planted buffer to abutting residential property shall be at least 15 feet in width along the property boundary. It shall contain a screen of plantings of vertical habit in the center of the strip not less than three feet in width and six feet in height at the time of occupancy of such lot. Individual shrubs shall be planted not more than five feet on center, and individual trees thereafter shall be maintained by the owner or occupants so as to maintain a dense screen yearround. At least 50% of the plantings shall be evenly spaced. Whenever possible, existing trees and ground cover should be preserved in this strip, reducing the need to plant additional trees. Trees may not be cut down in this strip without site plan approval.

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of Office of Planning and Sustainability

16.159

An Ordinance

to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for URA Districts

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by correcting section 350 Attachment 6 of said code; reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit.

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

Add bullet in list of uses allowed by special permit shown below.

URA USES ALLOWED

[Special Permit Approval required for the following uses by Planning Board unless otherwise noted:]

- Solar photovoltaic (PV), large-scale groundmounted not requiring the removal of more than 25,000 board feet of timber. Setbacks:
 - Front: 50 feet
 - Side: 50 feet
 - Rear: 50 feet
 - Maximum height = 30 feet
 - Open space = 20%

A planted buffer to abutting residential property shall be at least 15 feet in width along the property boundary. It shall contain a screen of plantings of vertical habit in the center of the strip not less than three feet in width and six feet in height at the time of occupancy of such lot. Individual shrubs shall be planted not more than five feet on center, and individual trees thereafter shall be maintained by the owner or occupants so as to maintain a dense screen yearround. At least 50% of the plantings shall be evenly spaced. Whenever possible, existing trees and ground cover should be preserved in this strip, reducing the need to plant additional trees. Trees may not be cut down in this strip without site plan approval.

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of Office of Planning and Sustainability

16.160

An Ordinance

to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for SR Districts

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by correcting section 350 Attachment 5 of said code; reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit.

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

Add bullet in list of uses allowed by special permit shown below.

SR USES ALLOWED

Special Permit Approval required for the following uses by Planning Board unless otherwise noted:

- Solar photovoltaic (PV), large-scale groundmounted not requiring the removal of more than 25,000 board feet of timber. Setbacks:
 - Front: 50 feet
 - Side: 50 feet
 - Rear: 50 feet
 - Maximum height = 30 feet
 - Open space = 20%

A planted buffer to abutting residential property shall be at least 15 feet in width along the property boundary. It shall contain a screen of plantings of vertical habit in the center of the strip not less than three feet in width and six feet in height at the time of occupancy of such lot. Individual shrubs shall be planted not more than five feet on center, and individual trees thereafter shall be maintained by the owner or occupants so as to maintain a dense screen yearround. At least 50% of the plantings shall be evenly spaced. Whenever possible, existing trees and ground cover should be preserved in this strip, reducing the need to plant additional trees. Trees may not be cut down in this strip without site plan approval.

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of Office of Planning and Sustainability

16.161

An Ordinance

to amend Section 350 Attachment 7 of City Code by reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit for RR Districts

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by correcting section 350 Attachment 4 of said code; reinserting previously adopted provision for large scale ground mounted solar array systems by special permit.

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

Add bullet in list of uses allowed by special permit shown below.

RR USES ALLOWED

Special Permit Approval required for the following uses by Planning Board unless otherwise noted:

- Solar photovoltaic (PV), large-scale ground mounted not requiring the removal of more than 25,000 board feet of timber. Setbacks:
 - Front: 50 feet
 - Side: 50 feet
 - Rear: 50 feet
 - Maximum height = 30 feet
 - Open space = 20%

A planted buffer to abutting residential property shall be at least 15 feet in width along the property boundary. It shall contain a screen of plantings of vertical habit in the center of the strip not less than three feet in width and six feet in height at the time of occupancy of such lot. Individual shrubs shall be planted not more than five feet on center, and individual trees thereafter shall be maintained by the owner or occupants so as to maintain a dense screen year round. At least 50% of the plantings shall be evenly spaced. Whenever possible, existing trees and ground cover should be preserved in this strip, reducing the need to plant additional trees. Trees may not be cut down in this strip without site plan approval.



**City of
Northampton**

Pamela Powers <ppowers@northamptonma.gov>

Ordinances for September 15, 2016 City Council Meeting

1 message

David Narkewicz <dnarkewicz@northamptonma.gov>

Tue, Sep 13, 2016 at 11:00 AM

To: "William H. Dwight" <wdwight@northamptonma.gov>

Cc: Pamela Powers <ppowers@northamptonma.gov>, Lyn Simmons <lsimmons@northamptonma.gov>

Dear President Dwight,

Please find enclosed three proposed ordinance changes related to downtown parking. I would respectfully request that they be placed on your September 15, 2016 City Council agenda for referral to the Transportation and Parking Commission and Committee on Legislative Matters.

These proposed downtown parking changes are the first of several that I will be submitting over the next few months as I outlined at the June 28, 2016 meeting of the Committee on City Services. These and subsequent ordinance changes - together with planned downtown signage and technology upgrades - are based on recommendations contained in the [Downtown Northampton Parking Management Study](#) prepared for the city by Walker Parking Consultants.

The ordinance changes enclosed are specifically designed to implement the recommendation that Class 1A on-street parking along Main Street in downtown be extended from one-hour to two-hours with the hourly fee increased from \$0.75 to \$1.00.

I am not proposing implementation of the study's additional recommendation to extend the hours of Main Street parking enforcement from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. My decision is based on both feedback from downtown merchants and a concern that creating varying hours of enforcement for on-street parking in our relatively compact downtown will create confusion and frustration for parking customers.

I had originally indicated to the Committee on City Services that our plan was to time the implementation of all proposed downtown parking changes with the deployment of upgraded pay station technology that will include the ability to pay with credit cards or a smartphone application. Because the procurement and installation of this technology will not be complete by the end of the year, I am putting forward these enclosed ordinance changes now so that 2-hour parking on Main Street could be in place for the benefit of downtown merchants by the start of the holiday shopping season in November.

The three enclosed ordinance also include additional changes designed to ensure system-wide consistency with the changes occurring on Main Street. They also contain the creation of a new, three-hour off-street parking lot classification that I will later propose be applied to two of our downtown lots (Masonic and Armory) when the aforementioned new parking technology is ready for deployment.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
David

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Mayor, City of Northampton
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City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In the Year 2016

Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

16.164

AN ORDINANCE

To amend Chapter 312-36 of the Code Book by modifying Parking Meter Fees in Class 1A & 1C and to add Class 1F

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising § Chapter 312-36 of said Code; providing that § 312-36 Parking Meter Locations and Regulations.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in city Council assembled, as follows:

Section 1: that § Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

Section that § 312-36 Parking Meter Locations and Regulations

Modify

Class	Time Limit	Fee
1A	± 2 Hours	\$0.75 \$1.00 per hour
1C	± 2 Hours	\$0.15 \$0.25 per hour

Add

Class	Time Limit	Fee
1F	3 Hours	\$0.75 per hour

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In the Year 2016

Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

16.165

AN ORDINANCE

To amend Chapter 312-109 of the Code Book to modify time limits in Class 1A & 1B

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising § Chapter 312-109 of said Code; providing that § 312-109 Schedule VIII: On-Street Parking Meter Zones.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in city Council assembled, as follows:

Section 1: that § Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

Section that § 312-109 Schedule VIII: On-Street Parking Meter Zones

Modify

Location	Side	From	To	Time Limit/Class
Bridge Street	North-West	Main Street	Market Street	± 2 hours/Class 1A
Crafts Avenue	West	Entire length (unless otherwise specified)		± 2 hours/Class 1A
Main Street	Both	Entire length (unless otherwise specified)		± 2 hours/Class 1A
Main Street	North-west	Point 50 feet north-easterly from King Street	Point 315 feet north-easterly	± 2 hours/Class 1A
Main Street	South-east	Point 73 feet north-easterly from Pleasant Street	Point 30 feet south-westerly from Strong Avenue	± 2 hours/Class 1A
Main Street	South	Point 186 feet easterly from New South Street	Point 83 feet westerly from Crafts Avenue	± 2 hours/Class 1A
Merrick Lane	South	Entire length (unless otherwise specified)		± 1 hour/Class 1A 2 hours/Class 1B

City of Northampton
Massachusetts

In the Year 2016

Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

16.166

AN ORDINANCE

To amend Chapter 312-110 of the Code Book to modify time limit in Old South Street parking lot as described

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising § Chapter 312-110 of said Code; providing that § 312-110 Schedule IX: Off-Street Parking Areas.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in city Council assembled, as follows:

Section 1: that § Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

Section that § 312-110 Schedule IX: Off-Street Parking Areas

Modify

Parking Area	Location	Area/Number of Spaces	Time Limit/Class
Old South Street	Sinconofli Lot, easterly side of Old South Street and southerly side of Old Railroad bed	21 spaces in front of Maplewood Shops	± 2 hours/Class 1C