



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

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Council President Ryan O'Donnell. At 7:13 p.m. on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

Roll Call

At-Large Councilor Ryan O'Donnell	At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight
Ward 1 Councilor Maureen T. Carney	Ward 5 Councilor David A. Murphy
Ward 2 Councilor Dennis P. Bidwell	Ward 6 Councilor Marianne LaBarge
Ward 3 Councilor James B. Nash	Ward 7 Councilor Alisa F. Klein
Ward 4 Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra	

Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

Councilor O'Donnell announced that the meeting was being audio and video recorded.

Public Hearings

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None.

Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

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Charter Review Committee (CRC) Update

He missed the CRC meeting in August, but the most recent meeting was a holdover from the previous one, Councilor Dwight reported. There was a vote to address the issue of possible conflicts for School Committee members who may have a partner working for the city, particularly in the teacher's union, which obliges them to recuse themselves from budgetary matters. A provision was originally proposed to cover all elected officials but, in the course of debate, an initial vote was taken to support it only applying to School Committee members and school department employees. At the last meeting in August, that vote was overturned because of an appeal by a School Committee member who was identified as having one of those conflicts, who suggested to the committee that the measure might be too draconian. Last night a modified proposal was considered when, after further research, the city solicitor determined that the charter could not exclude someone from running for office as that is a violation of the first amendment. An alternative proposal was presented that no family member of a School Committee member would be given a job in the city while that person served. That was voted down.

Everyone acknowledges the conflict and the potential problems that come from the conflict. He asserted the points that 1) he is not sure this belongs in the charter and 2) it might be too much of a restriction or limitation for people running for office. In the final vote it was voted down unanimously.

Members also discussed how they are going to start drafting their final report, since they are at that point. If the public has any points they want to bring up, they're still welcome to do so, he assured.

Councilor O'Donnell asked if the committee would publish a preliminary report, and Councilor Dwight said they would like to get it out so the public has an awareness of it before the election so candidates can address the questions. In all likelihood, it will not be this council that ends up deciding this, it will be the next, since the report is due December 31, 2019, he noted.

Councilor Nash announced that on September 17, 2019 at 4 p.m., the Transportation and Parking Commission (TPC) will be reviewing some parking changes around Smith College. The proposed changes were already favorably reviewed by TPC in June for forwarding to City Council but, in discussion with the Mayor's office, it was decided that some place for public input was advisable, and TPC was the preferred location. The changes involve West Street, Arnold Avenue, Elm Street and Belmont Avenue and have to do with creating metered parking where it is presently free.

<p><u>Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors</u></p>	<p><u>Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors</u> Councilor Sciarra invited everyone to the opening reception of "This is Me: Portraits of Pathlight," a photography exhibit, at the Center for the Arts next Friday, September 13th beginning at 5 p.m. Fourteen area photographers, including Councilor Dwight, partnered with Pathlight to take really beautiful portraits of people served by the organization. She helped put up the exhibit yesterday and it is really stunning. She encouraged all to attend.</p>
<p><u>Communications & Proclamations from the Mayor</u></p>	<p><u>Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor</u> <u>Update for City Council on pending Proposition 2 1/2 general override question to renew Fiscal Stability Plan in advance of FY2021 city budget as per FY2020 Budget Message.</u> He wanted to provide an update on the pending Proposition 2 ½ general override question, Mayor Narkewicz explained. In his budget message for the FY2020 budget he outlined the history of the Fiscal Stability Plan and fact that they will be dipping into it for a second year based on projections and needing to exhaust the plan to balance the FY2021 budget and still having a deficit and thus needing to go out to the community to essentially seek a renewal of the plan. His thinking in May was that he wanted to do it prior to the FY2021 budget so his thinking at that time was to try to place it on the November municipal election ballot. Since then, a couple of issues have arisen in terms of trying to project the amount that is needed. The state budget process went on a little longer than normal – Massachusetts was actually the last state in America to pass a budget. As a corollary to that, the long-awaited education reform bill which first was going to come out at the beginning of the session, then in the spring, then after the budget, then after August recess, is now projected not to come out until the end of September. It is a fairly significant piece of legislation that could have an impact on their calculations. Also, the slow roll out of the cannabis industry makes it challenging to get an accurate projection of regular revenue that can be expected from this source.</p> <p>He is still proposing to have the override election prior to the submission of the FY2021 budget for both the schools and the city but to do it at the other city-wide election that is presently scheduled, which is the March 3, 2020 presidential primary. It would occur a month and a half before the School Committee has to complete its budget and two and a half months before he is required to submit his budget to the City Council on May 15th. This will allow them to see what actually happens with the education reform bill and give them one and possibly two more quarters of FY2020 cannabis revenue, which will help them in terms of calculations. In his budget message he said he would be coming to them in early September. At the time, his intention was to bring a question to them; he still intends to bring a question to them but has made the decision to hold off and bring the question to them at the end of the year for the March 3rd presidential primary.</p> <p>Councilor O'Donnell thanked the Mayor for that update.</p>
<p><u>Resolutions</u> <u>19.122 Resolution Declaring October 6, 2019 a Day to Commemorate the 1979 Greensboro Massacre and to Reflect on White Supremacy – 2nd reading</u></p>	<p><u>Resolutions</u> <u>19.122 A Resolution Declaring October 6, 2019 a Day to Commemorate the 1979 Greensboro Massacre and to Reflect on White Supremacy – 2nd reading</u> Councilor Dwight moved to approve the resolution in second reading. Councilor Bidwell seconded.</p> <p>Councilor Dwight thanked Councilor Bidwell for bringing this forward. The City Council actually did a resolution somewhat similar to this previously, he shared. Dr. Marty Nathan lost her husband at the time in this massacre, a massacre that, in fact, is very little known historically and very little discussed. However, it is particularly egregious and actually so resonant of the circumstances and tenor of today that the resolution is presented with a certain urgency. This happened in 1979, but here we are in 2019 with similar actions by similar groups – people being killed and violence being committed - by people identifying as right-wing klan members or American Nazis or other new alt-right groups that feel licensed to declare their primacy in this country and then to exert that with violence. He expressed gratitude to the other sponsors who ushered this in and said he is proud to be associated with it.</p> <p>The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.</p> <p><u>The following resolution passed two readings:</u></p>



City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In the City Council, August 15, 2019

Upon the recommendation of Councilor William H. Dwight, Councilor Dennis P. Bidwell and Mayor David J. Narkewicz

R-19.122

A Resolution Declaring October 6, 2019 a Day to Commemorate the 1979 Greensboro Massacre and to Reflect on White Supremacy

Whereas, 2019 marks the fortieth anniversary of the Greensboro, North Carolina Massacre, where five demonstrators, while preparing for an anti-Ku Klux Klan rally, were shot and killed by members of the Klan and by American Nazis, leaving ten other demonstrators wounded; and

Whereas, white supremacists are still active in America, spreading hate and murdering people in the streets, churches, synagogues and other gathering places in our communities; and

Whereas, the events in Greensboro forty years ago, and the events of El Paso two weeks ago, remind us of the necessity to challenge white supremacy in all of its forms; and

Whereas, survivors of the Greensboro Massacre will be commemorating the Massacre on October 6, 2019 in Northampton with programs honoring their loved ones and friends lost in 1979, remembering other victims of white supremacy, reflecting on the lessons learned from the Massacre, and examining how this history informs the struggle against white supremacy today;

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the City of Northampton, Massachusetts designates Sunday, October 6, 2019, a Day of Commemoration of the 1979 Greensboro Massacre, and encourages the residents of Northampton to gather that day in remembrance of the historical victims of hate crimes and in rededication to the ongoing struggle against white supremacy and all forms of bigotry.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

19.123 A Resolution Calling for the Federal Government to Pass a Green New Deal –2nd reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the resolution in second reading. Councilor Klein seconded.

He is attached to two resolutions tonight whose first readings he wasn't present for, Councilor Dwight reminded. Councilor Klein picked up the ball. The Sunrise group and members identified at the end of this resolution – Willa Sippel, Seraphina Forman and Jordan Winsor - were the ones who came to him and asked if this was possible; two of them are actually youth commissioners, he shared. He never got to help them with the final draft. Councilor Klein did the final draft and he was stunned; it is perfect, he proclaimed. The resolution emphasized what he was emphasizing, that Northampton has been committed to all of the principals and goals of the Green New Deal before it was even defined as such. "We've committed ourselves to addressing climate change as if it is a real thing, as if it is a genuine threat," he pointed out.

A youth-generated group - most not given the power and authority to vote - is actually effecting more change - provoking and prompting more thought and consideration about legislation and the prospects for the future - than most adults he knows, he continued. The students communicated afterwards that they were ecstatic that the council passed it unanimously and they subsequently heard from the community that it was very proud of their efforts. He wanted to communicate that he is also proud. He thanked fellow councilors for their favorable votes.

Councilor O'Donnell called the motion to a vote, and it passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call.

The following resolution passed two readings:

19.123 Resolution Calling for the Federal Government to Pass a Green New Deal



City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In the City Council, August 15, 2019

Upon the Recommendation of: Councilor Alisa F. Klein
 Councilor William H. Dwight

R-19.123

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PASS A GREEN NEW DEAL

WHEREAS, the Northampton City Council is interested in ensuring that the children, grandchildren, and all subsequent generations of children to come in our community are protected from the risks posed by the global climate emergency; and

WHEREAS, Northampton has long been a leader in climate action; to wit:

- In its January 18, 2018 “Resolution in Support of 100 Percent Renewable Energy,” the Northampton City Council stated its support for “rapid attainment of a goal of 100 percent clean, renewable energy for the State of Massachusetts and the City of Northampton;”
- In its April 20, 2017 “Resolution Calling on the Massachusetts Legislature to Establish Carbon Pollution Pricing to Curb Climate Change” the Northampton City Council called for the Massachusetts State legislature to pass legislation imposing a fee on the carbon dioxide that is emitted in the use of fossil fuels;
- Mayor David Narkewicz publicly stated support for the climate change mitigation goals enshrined in the Paris Agreement, pledged that the city will become “net-zero” by the year 2050, and joined the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy in its shared vision for unified action to combat climate change;
- In follow-up to its ten-year Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton is just completing a ten-year Climate Resilience and Regeneration Plan as a roadmap for actualizing the above commitments and carrying out comprehensive steps towards transitioning from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources, increasing energy efficiency, and creating systems for the consumption of fewer resources; and

WHEREAS, an October 2018 United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report says that we have only until 2030 to limit devastating global warming and avoid a climate change catastrophe; and

WHEREAS, the October 2018 IPCC report also makes clear that every bit of warming matters, so every fraction of a degree less of warming will save lives and pay dividends across the world’s economies; and

- WHEREAS, the world is already experiencing serious, costly, and increasing impacts from climate change, including, but not limited to, intense storms, unprecedented flooding, persistent wildfires, longer and hotter heat waves, worsening flood and drought cycles, growing invasive species and insect problems, accelerated species extinction rates, rising sea levels, decreased air quality that leads to health problems, and a dramatic increase in refugees from climate impacted lands; and
- WHEREAS, an inadequate response to climate change will increase not only the above environmental harms, but will also result in economic catastrophes that threaten human life, the health of communities, and critical infrastructure; and
- WHEREAS, the most negative impacts of climate change are generally falling on frontline communities such as low-income people, immigrants, and people of color. These communities bear a disproportionate burden of climate change, yet have contributed to climate change the least and have the fewest resources to manage its negative impacts. For decades, frontline communities have been the first to be harmed by pollution and the last to be rebuilt after climate disasters strike. Yet all communities in Northampton -- and throughout the United States - - have the right to clean air and water, protection from disasters, and access to healthy food, no matter their income level, the color of their skin, or where they were born; and
- WHEREAS, doing what is now necessary to adequately address the climate crisis requires a national mobilization of a scope and scale that is a historic opportunity to address inequities caused and exacerbated by the fossil fuel economy as well as providing unprecedented levels of prosperity and economic security for all people in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, on February 7, 2019, U.S. Senator Edward Markey and U.S. Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez released [a Resolution](#) Recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal; and
- WHEREAS, the federal Green New Deal legislation would create a detailed mobilization plan to:
- Within a decade, achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions through a fair and just transition for all communities and workers;
 - Create millions of good, high-wage jobs and ensure prosperity and economic security for all people of the United States;
 - Invest in the infrastructure and industry of the United States to sustainably meet the challenges of the 21st century;
 - Secure for all people of the United States for generations to come:
 - clean air and water;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o climate and community resiliency; o healthy food; o access to nature; o and a sustainable environment; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote justice and equity by stopping current, preventing future, and repairing historic oppression of indigenous communities, communities of color, migrant communities, deindustrialized communities, depopulated rural communities, the poor, low-income workers, women, the elderly, the unhoused, people with disabilities, and youth; and <p>WHEREAS: To achieve these goals, the Green New Deal legislation calls for a 10-year national mobilization effort, which would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building resilience against climate change-related disasters; • Providing funding for community-based solutions to climate change; • Overhauling transportation systems to remove pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector as much as is technologically feasible; • Repairing and upgrading infrastructure; • Expanding the use of clean, renewable and zero-emission sources of power with the goal of zeroing out fossil fuel sources; • Creating energy-efficient, distributed, and "smart" power grids; • Cleaning up existing hazardous waste and abandoned sites; identifying other pollution sources and creating solutions to remove them; • Maximizing water and energy efficiency in new buildings and by retrofitting existing buildings; • Removing greenhouse gases and restoring natural ecosystems through proven low-tech solutions that increase soil carbon storage, such as land preservation and reforestation; • Removing pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from industry as much as is technologically feasible; • Restoring and protecting fragile ecosystems by enhancing biodiversity; and <p>WHEREAS, local governments calling for the federal government to pass a Green New Deal will demonstrate widespread popular support for necessary and just climate action.</p> <p>NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Northampton hereby calls on the U.S. Senate and House to, as soon as possible, pass a Green New Deal based on the resolution released by Senator Markey and Representative Ocasio-Cortez.</p> <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrative Assistant to the City Council shall cause a copy of this resolution to be sent to U.S. Senator Edward J. Markey; U.S. Senator Elizabeth Warren; U.S. Representative James P. McGovern; and U.S. Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.</p> <p>This resolution was developed through the initiative of Northampton residents Saraphina Forman, Willa Sippel, and Jordan Winsor, the co-coordinators of Sunrise Northampton, an organization of young people uniting to end the climate crisis. Sunrise Northampton is affiliated with the national Sunrise Movement.</p> <p><u>Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.</u></p>
<p><u>Presentations</u></p>	<p><u>Presentations</u> None.</p>
<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p>	<p><u>Consent Agenda</u> Councilor O'Donnell reviewed the sole item on the consent agenda, the minutes of August 15, 2019. Councilor Dwight moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Bidwell seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by voice vote.</p>

	<p>The following item was approved as part of the consent agenda: A. <u>Minutes of August 15, 2019</u></p>
<p><u>Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting</u></p>	<p>At 7:33 p.m., the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance meeting. The Committee on Finance adjourned at 7:59 p.m. The City Council reconvened at 7:59 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Financial Orders (on 1st reading)</u> <u>19.126 Order to Appropriate Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Funds \$6,157 for Burts Pit Road Reconstruction</u> <u>19.127 Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western MA</u> <u>19.129 Order Authorizing the Lease of the Sr, Center Roof for Solar Panels</u></p>	<p><u>Financial Orders (on 1st reading)</u> <u>19.126 An Order to Appropriate Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Funds \$6,157 for Burts Pit Road Reconstruction - 1st reading</u> Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Bidwell seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. <u>See minutes of September 19, 2019 for second reading.</u> <u>19.127 An Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western Mass - 1st reading</u> Councilor Klein moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. <u>See minutes of September 19, 2019 for second reading.</u> <u>19.129 An Order Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center Roof for Solar Panels - 1st reading</u> Councilor Klein moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. <u>See minutes of September 19, 2019 for second reading.</u></p>
<p><u>Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)</u> <u>19.117 Order to Award Contract for FY2020 Audit to Scanlon and Associates – 2nd reading</u></p>	<p><u>Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)</u> <u>19.117 An Order to Award Contract for FY2020 Audit to Scanlon and Associates – 2nd reading</u> Councilor Sciarra moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. <u>The following order passed two readings:</u></p>

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council August 15, 2019

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee

19.117 An Order
To Award Contract for FY2020 Audit to Scanlon and Associates

Ordered, that

Whereas, Section 7-6 of the Northampton City Charter requires that the City Council annually award a contract for an outside audit of the books and accounts of the city to be conducted by a certified public accountant or by a firm of certified public accountants, which has no personal interest, direct or indirect, in the fiscal affairs of the city or any of its officers.

Now therefore be it ordered,

That the City Council hereby awards the contract for auditing services for FY2020 to Scanlon and Associates, LLC.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Orders
19.113 Order
Authorizing the
City of Northamp-
ton to Disqualify
Bidders on
Municipal
Contracts Who
Participate in the
Design,
Manufacture or
Maintenance of
Nuclear Weapons
- 2nd reading

Orders
19.113 An Order Authorizing the City of Northampton to Disqualify Bidders on Municipal Contracts
Who Participate in the Design, Manufacture or Maintenance of Nuclear Weapons -2nd reading
Councilor Klein moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:



In the Year Two Thousand and Nineteen
 Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

19.113
AN ORDER

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON TO DISQUALIFY
 BIDDERS ON MUNICIPAL CONTRACTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN
 THE DESIGN, MANUFACTURE OR MAINTENANCE OF
 NUCLEAR WEAPONS**

Ordered that the Mayor is hereby authorized and requested to petition the General Court to the end that the following legislation be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Mayor approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The Mayor is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

An Act Relative to Disqualification of Bidders on City Contracts

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in the General Court assembled as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter thirty B of the general laws and any other general or special law to the contrary, the City of Northampton may disqualify from an award of a contract any bidder or vendor who participates in the design, manufacture or maintenance of nuclear weapons. Such disqualification shall apply to any bidder that is a subsidiary entity controlled by a company that engages in the design, manufacture or maintenance of such weapons, and to any bidder that is a parent or holding entity of a subsidiary company that engages in the design, manufacture or maintenance of such weapons.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

<p><u>Ordinances (Not yet Referred)</u> <u>19.125 Ordinance Related to Wireless Antennas on Street Poles</u> <u>19.128 Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances by Amending Section 312-110</u></p>	<p><u>Ordinances (Not yet Referred)</u> <u>19.125 An Ordinance Related to Wireless Antennas on Street Poles</u> Councilor Dwight moved to refer the ordinance to the Planning Board and Legislative Matters Committee for review. Councilor Klein seconded. The motion carried 8:0 by voice vote with one absent (Councilor Carney stepped out). <u>19.128 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances by Amending Section 312-110</u> Councilor Dwight moved to refer the ordinance to the Transportation and Planning Committee and Legislative Matters Committee. Councilor Nash seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by voice vote.</p>
<p><u>Ordinances</u></p>	<p><u>Ordinances</u> None.</p>

Other Matters
Deliberate and vote on process by which the City Council shall designate voting representatives to International Code Council (ICC) for purpose of casting four votes relative to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and the method by which such votes shall be decided and cast

Other Matters

Deliberate and vote on the process by which the City Council shall designate its voting representatives to the International Code Council (ICC) for the purpose of casting four votes relative to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and the method by which such votes shall be decided and cast.

Councilor O'Donnell briefly explained the background. Members discussed options for designating four voting representatives to vote on the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and the process for the full City Council to authorize how such voting representatives would vote.

Councilor O'Donnell expressed the opinion that deliberation on how to vote on specific code changes must be done in an open meeting by some kind of committee. Subsets of the City Council can never go out and represent the position of the City Council unless first authorized to do so, he pointed out. The purpose of the agenda item is to decide upon a process to insure openness/transparency and to allow the full council to ratify the voting platform decided by a committee.

Two options discussed were either creating an ad hoc committee or referring the task to a standing committee – namely, Community Resources or Legislative Matters. Councilor Klein advocated forming an ad hoc committee consisting of the three prospective sponsors (Councilors Dwight, Klein and Sciarra) and Councilor Carney, who has a background in the building trades. The ad hoc committee could post its meeting as a joint meeting with the full City Council so that other councilors could come and deliberate if they chose.

She spent a good amount of time talking to the City Solicitor about his opinion as to how this could be carried out, Councilor Klein related. One of the things he made clear is that, once the council designates voting representatives, there needs to be some kind of open process but it doesn't necessarily need to go back to the full council for its vote. It would be very cumbersome to do that because committee members don't get the ballot until the beginning of November and would need to present a summary of hundreds of votes before casting them online between November 13th and 27th, she noted. They have talked about using a voting guide compiled by the Energy Efficient Codes Coalition (EECC) as a guide in formulating their votes, she related. For this reason, she proposes that voting representatives deliberate as an ad hoc committee and then vote without the decision returning to the full council.

City officials 'are gaming this on some level' by trying to get as many votes as possible to hopefully have a greater influence on code development, Councilor Dwight acknowledged. The timeline Councilor Klein described is true. [The voting process] is deliberately set up to move slowly and in this case it would be too slowly to effectively vote. The trick is this is a unique situation; "technically we are not representing the voice of the council, we are just acting as agents," he suggested.

He voiced his perception that Councilor O'Donnell's principal interest is to maintain the obligation of deliberating in public. Councilor Klein's proposal addresses that to some degree, he proposed.

Councilor O'Donnell said he thinks as a practical matter they will not be discussing 900 questions as a council. He compared the complicated ballot to a farm bill considered by Congress which has thousands of pages or to adoption of the lengthy Sustainable Northampton Plan.

He totally agrees with the view of the council president that he doesn't think they want to set the precedent of authorizing four members to go off and represent the views of the council, Councilor Bidwell asserted. He agrees it would probably be very pro forma but in terms of preserving their process he thinks it would be a necessary step. He agrees with the process of bringing the subject back to the council, he concluded.

The timeline would allow a committee to bring its recommendation back to the council if the council were to take two votes at its meeting on November 21st, Councilor Klein indicated.

Councilor O'Donnell said he would be comfortable with that. He expressed the opinion that it was a good issue for the existing committee system.

Mayor Narkewicz noted that councilors could actually convene a full City Council meeting, recess for a meeting of a special committee, then reconvene the full council.

Councilors Klein and Sciarra presented further points in favor of forming an ad hoc committee while Councilor O'Donnell continued to advocate for using a standing committee. Councilor Dwight said he is perfectly amenable to the matter being referred to the Community Resources Committee and would be willing to attend the meeting to participate in discussion as one of the sponsors.

The November Community Resources Committee meeting is November 18, 2019, Councilor Sciarra advised.

Councilor Dwight moved to refer discussion of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to the Community Resources Committee which in turn will make a recommendation that will come back to the full council for a vote on November 21, 2019. He said he would ask for consideration of suspension of the rules to allow two votes at that meeting.

Councilor O'Donnell offered the friendly amendment that the four designees be the members of the committee and that the designees be bound to transmit the opinion of the entire City Council as adopted. Councilor Bidwell seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by voice vote.

<p><u>Information (Charter Provision 2-7) & Study Requests</u></p>	<p><u>Information (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests</u></p> <p>None</p>
<p><u>Motion to Adjourn</u></p>	<p>Upon motion made by Councilor Dwight and seconded by Councilor Bidwell, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.</p> <p>Attest: _____ Administrative Assistant to the City Council</p>

EXHIBIT A

List of Documents Reviewed at September 5, 2019 City Council Meeting:

1. September 5, 2019 Agenda
2. Public Comment Sign-up Sheet for September 5, 2019
3. City Council Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2019
4. 19.122 A Resolution Declaring October 6, 2019 a Day to Commemorate the 1979 Greensboro Massacre and to Reflect on White Supremacy
5. 19.123 A Resolution Calling for the Federal Government to Pass a Green New Deal
6. 19.126 An Order to Appropriate Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Funds \$6,157 for Burts Pit Road Reconstruction
7. 19.127 An Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western Mass
8. 19.129 An Order Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center Roof for Solar Panels
9. 19.117 An Order to Award Contract for FY2020 Audit to Scanlon and Associates
10. 19.113 An Order Authorizing the City of Northampton to Disqualify Bidders on Municipal Contracts Who Participate in the Design, Manufacture or Maintenance of Nuclear Weapons
11. 19.125 An Ordinance Related to Wireless Antennas on Street Poles
12. 19.128 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances by Amending Section 312-110
13. Committee Action Hearing Results on the 2019 Proposed Changes to the International Codes – Group B
14. List of International Code Council (ICC) Key Deadlines
15. ICC Code Development Process/How it Works from International Code Council website

2018 - 2019 ROLL CALL RECORD FOR NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL											
Record of City Council Votes for September 5, 2019		Bidwell	Carney	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	Nash	O'Donnell	Sciarra	Total
Roll Call by Laura Krutzler, Administrative Assistant to the City Council @ 7:13 p.m.		Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	9 Present
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19.127 An Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western Mass - 1st reading	1st reading	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion carried 9:0 by roll call
19.129 An Order Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center Roof for Solar Panels - 1st reading	1st reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion carried 9:0 by roll call
19.117 An Order to Award Contract for FY2020 Audit to Scanlon and Associates - 2nd reading	2nd reading	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Motion carried 9:0 by roll call
19.113 An Order Authorizing the City of Northampton to Disqualify Bidders on Municipal Contracts Who Participate in the Design, Manufacture or Maintenance of Nuclear Weapons - 2nd reading	2nd reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion carried 9:0 by roll call
19.125 An Ordinance Related to Wireless Antennas on Street Poles	Refer			Refer to PB and LM	Second Yes						Motion carried 8:0 (Carney)
19.128 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 of the Code of Ordinances by Amending Section 312-110	Refer			Refer to TPC and LM				Nash			Motion carried 9:0 voice vote
Deliberate and vote on the process by which the City Council shall designate its voting representatives to the International Code Council (ICC) for the purpose of casting four votes relative to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and the method by which such votes shall be decided and cast.	Councilor Dwight moved to refer discussion of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to the Community Resources Committee which in turn will make a recommendation that will come back to the full council for a vote on November 21, 2019. He said he would ask for consideration of suspension of the rules to allow two votes at that meeting. Councilor O'Donnell offered the friendly amendment that the four designees be the members of the committee and that the designees be bound to transmit the opinion of the entire City Council as adopted. Councilor Bidwell seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by voice vote.										

At 8:27 p.m., Councilor Dwight moved to adjourn the meeting; Councilor Bidwell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.