

# CITY OF PITTSFIELD

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REGULAR MEETING
PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL via ZOOM JAN 21 PM 5: 06
January 26, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and state and federal orders and guidance imposing strict limits on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the City Council will be conducted exclusively via remote participation. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so on PCTV. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

**NOTE:** If you are required to participate in a particular item, you may do so by calling (312) 626-6799, Enter the Meeting ID, 931 2008 6634 on your phone's keypad and press #. Press # again.

- Open microphone
- COVID-19 update from the Administration

#### APPOINTMENTS

- 3. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Albert Ingegni, III to the Zoning Board of Appeals
- 4. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Lindsay Codwise to the Human Service Advisory Council

### COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR THE MAYOR

- A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a donation of funds in the amount of \$100.00 from Alliance Appliance Parts, Inc.
- A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$13,639.45 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security State 911 Department
- A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$128,076.00 from the Executive Office for Elder Affairs
- 8. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$161,574.00 from the Stanton Foundation to fund construction of a dog park within Burbank Park
- A communication from the Mayor submitting an Order to appropriate and transfer \$128,789.00 from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to the FY21 Department of Public Utilities Water Division Operating Budget

- A communication from the Mayor submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$3.000.000.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development
- A communication from the Mayor submitting six Orders to revise the agreements between the City of Pittsfield, the Pittsfield Municipal Airport Commission and Oak Leaf Solar XVII-
- 12. A communication from the Mayor submitting an Order authorizing a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement for Fresh Powder LLC and Blue Chair Properties LLC
- 13. A communication from the Mayor submitting an Order requesting \$960,600.00 in Pittsfield Economic Development Funds to fund infrastructure improvements on Dan Fox Drive

#### PUBLIC HEARING

14. A public hearing for Eversource to install a seventeen feet four inch by eight feet four inch (17'4" x 8'4") network vault in the Pearl Street sidewalk to replace the vault on Fenn Street

## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS

- 15. A petition from the City Clerk requesting to adjourn City Council meetings after four hours of deliberation
- A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting Councilor Peter Marchetti to relinquish and step down as President of the City Council
- A petition from Councilor Morandi requesting the Mayor to eliminate the new bike lanes on North Street and return the two travel lanes for vehicles
- 18. A petition from Councilors Connell and Kavey requesting the Health Department investigate the health concerns reported by residents that live near the cell tower at 877 South Street
- A petition from Councilor Connell requesting the Finance Director provide a list by department of all the turn backs of excess funds
- 20. A petition from Councilors Persip and White requesting to amend Council Rule 1B and Council Rule 10

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## Report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee

 A report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee on a petition from the City Council relating to the zoning of outdoor marijuana cultivation, recommending to approve as amended 5/0

#### Report from the Public Health and Safety Committee

 A report from the Public Health and Safety Committee on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting and update on Hill 78 and Building 71, recommending to accept the reports and updates unanimously

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 23. A petition from Councilors Maffuccio and Morandi asking to appoint a City Youth Advisor (Tabled March 10, 2020)
- A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the City Council seek to have their own Attorney separate from the City Solicitor (January 12, 2021)

# MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

25. A petition from Councilors Marchetti, White and Persip requesting to implement a Pay as You Throw trash system

# Referred to the Community Development Board

26. A committee report to amend the Zoning Map and Sections of Article 23 in order to create the Downtown Creative District