

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Standing Committee on Finance met on Monday, July 16, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the War Memorial Building, 156 West Elm St., Brockton, MA with Councilor Eaniri presiding. All councilors were present.

1. ORDERED: That the common necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Brockton require the laying out and acceptance of Amark Road, extending from North Cary Street, Southerly and easterly, to Upton Street/Dagmar Drive, a distance of about 1,196 feet, and for that purpose it is necessary to take an easement for Highway Purposes and lay out as a public street or way.
A motion was made by Councilor Lally and seconded by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

2. ORDERED: That the common necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Brockton require the laying out and acceptance of Cynthia Drive, extending from North Cary Street, easterly, to Amark Road, a distance of about 570 feet, and for that purpose it is necessary to take an easement for Highway Purposes and lay out as a public street or way.
A motion was made by Councilor Lally and seconded by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

3. ORDERED: That the common necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Brockton require the laying out and acceptance of Downey Road, extending from Dixon Road to Dixon Road, a distance of about 1,477.13 feet, and for that purpose it is necessary to take an easement for Highway Purposes and lay out as a public street or way.
A motion was made by Councilor Lally and seconded by Councilor as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

4. ORDERED: That the Mayor is hereby authorized to approve the newly amended by-laws for the Brockton Council on Aging Board of Directors, the Board of Directors has voted unanimously to accept these by-laws as written.
A motion was made by Councilor Cruise and seconded by Councilor Monahan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

5. ORDERED: At the State Election on November 6, 2018, a special city election also be held with the following, binding question placed before the voters:
“Shall the City adopt the following ordinance: The City of Brockton shall prohibit the operation of all marijuana establishments as defined in G.L. c94G, §1, including marijuana cultivators, marijuana testing facilities, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana retailers or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business, with the exception of the existing approved medical marijuana businesses, within the City of Brockton?”
A motion was made and RECOMMENDED UNFAVORABLY BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TAKEN BY “YEAS” AND “NAYS”; ELEVEN MEMBERS PRSENT WITH

FIVE VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE AND COUNCILORS ASACK, CRUISE, EANIRI, LALLY, MONAHAN AND RODRIGUES IN THE NEGATIVE.

6. ORDERED: That the City Council hereby declare, that the vacant land on Thatcher Street in Brockton, MA identified as Assessor's Parcel 132-015 Plot 21 containing 36,175 sq. ft. +/- described in a plan dated March 8, 2018 entitled Plan of Land prepared by J.K. Holmgren Engineering, Inc., Registered Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, and more fully identified in Exhibit A is surplus property and available for disposition and that the Mayor and/or Treasurer be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to sell the property for nominal consideration to Donald A. Galante, Jr. as he is the Trustee of the Regal Trust, a Massachusetts Nominee Trust dated May 11, 2000 and recorded at Book 18512 Page 1 of the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan and seconded by Councilor Monahan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
7. RESOLVE: the City Solicitor be invited to appear before a committee of the City Council to provide information on this code enforcement program. A motion was made by Councilor Farwell and seconded by Councilor Monahan to POSTPONE TO SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 MEETING.
8. RESOLVE: to invite the Director of the Brockton Public Library to discuss creating an opportunity for a Poet Laureate to represent the city's art and culture. A motion was made by Councilor Beauregard and seconded by Councilor Monahan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
9. RESOLVE: to invite the new Director of NeighborWorks Southern Mass, Ms. Cindy Pendergast and inform the City Council of new programs for home buyers and home owners available to the residents and prospective residents of Brockton. A motion was made by Councilor Beauregard and seconded by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
10. RESOLVE: That Ms. Marta Verde of Aquaria Water, LLC and Mr. Ramon J. Diaz, listed as General Manager of the Aquaria Water plant in Dighton, MA on the 2016 public filing with the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, be invited to appear before a committee of the City Council to provide information relating to the current water system agreement. A motion was made by Councilor Farwell and seconded by Councilor Beauregard to POSTPONE TO SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 MEETING.