

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Standing Committee on Finance met on Monday, May 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chamber with Councilor Eaniri presiding. All councilors were present except Councilors Barnes, Monahan, and Stewart.

1. APPOINTMENT: Joe Miranda to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
2. APPOINTMENT: Jonathan Correia to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
3. APPOINTMENT: Evans Joseph to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
4. APPOINTMENT: Franck Coulanges to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
5. APPOINTMENT: David Luu to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
6. APPOINTMENT: Isaiah Callahan to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
7. APPOINTMENT: Ryan Quirk to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
8. APPOINTMENT: Jose Rodrigues to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
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9. APPOINTMENT: Derek Scully to the rank of Police Officer in the Brockton Police Department.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
10. APPOINTMENT: Robert Miller, 81 Lester Rd., Brockton as a member of the Cable Advisory Board for a three year term ending May 2018.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
11. APPOINTMENT: Mozart St. Cyr. 104 Tribou St., Brockton as a member of the Cable Advisory Board for a three year term ending May 2018.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
12. APPOINTMENT: Reginald Thomas, 161 Kevin Rd., Brockton as a member of the Planning Board for a five year term ending May 2020.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY

13. ORDER:
Transfer: \$9521
From: Veteran's Service-Purchase of Services \$8321
Veteran's Service-Overtime \$1200
To: Veteran's Service-Goods and Supplies
(In order to fund the anticipated needs of Brockton veterans for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2015).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
14. ORDER:
Transfer: \$200,000
From: Personnel Dept-Personnel Employee Benefits: Unemployment Compensation
To: Police Department-Capital Projects
(in order to pay the first year cost of software/hardware and installation for the shotspotter system expansion).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
15. ORDER:
Transfer: \$2,000
From: Parking Authority-Personal Services-PT Salaries Other than OT
To: Parking Authority-Purchase of Services-Electricity
(In order to fund the shortfall due to higher than anticipated costs for Fiscal 2015).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
16. ORDER:
Transfer: \$17,200
From: Parking Authority Meter Reserve \$7,200
Personal Services-PT Salaries Other than OT \$10,000
To: Parking Authority-Snow Removal \$17,200
(in order to fund the shortfall in snow removal for Fiscal 2015).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
17. ORDER:
Appropriation: \$2,025,724
From: Available Funds-Brockton's Chapter 90 apportionment for Fiscal 2016
To: Highway Transportation Project Funds FY16 (Chapter 90 Projects)
(to provide funding for the purpose of the design and construction costs necessary for approved projects).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
18. ORDER: The DPW Commissioner is authorized to issue 3 single-family sewer connections total, one to each of the following parcels: a,b,c Claremount Ave. (formerly plots 4-5-6-7-8-9 Claremount Ave).
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
19. ORDER: That the City Council authorize the acceptance of two (2) Memorial Benches for the D.W. Field Golf Course From: D.W. Field Park Association To: City of Brockton Park Commission. All costs associated with this Memorial Bench including installation would be incurred by D.W. Field Park Association.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY (FOR D.W. PARK NOT GOLF COURSE)

20. ORDER: That the City Council authorize the acceptance of a Memorial Bench for the D.W. Field Golf Course From: Dave Moyihan To: City of Brockton Park Commission. All costs associated with this Memorial Bench including installation would be incurred by Dave Moyihan.
RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY
21. ORDER: That the City Council of the City of Brockton petitions the Great and General Court under the provisions of Section 8 of Article 89 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for an Act as follows: An Act authorizing the City of Brockton to impose a local sales tax on certain sales of medical marijuana.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.
22. ORDER: That the City Council Attorney is directed to explore and implement any and all legal strategies and filings to maintain and uphold the City Charter and City Ordinances as they relate to the effluent contract the Mayor signed without Council order or approval.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.
23. RESOLVE: that the Mayor be requested to appropriate money for a study of the Brockton Police Department Staffing Span of Control and to provide recommendations for reducing supervisory positions within the department and increasing patrol officers.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JUNE 15, 2015.
24. RESOLVE: That Mr. Mark Linde (General Manager of Brockton Community Access) and a representative from Comcast come before the Finance Committee to discuss and explain the recent interruption to the live broadcast of the Brockton City Council meetings and what corrective action is planned.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JUNE 15, 2015.
25. RESOLVE: That the City Council hereby requests that a representative and/or representatives of Aquaria appear before the Finance Committee to address questions pertaining to the Desalinization water contract.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.
26. RESOLVE: that the Mayor, City Solicitor, and the Chief Financial Officer be invited to appear before a Committee of this Council to review the legal and financial implications of the City's contract with Aquaria.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.
27. RESOLVE: That the Mayor and the City Solicitor be invited to appear before the Finance Committee to discuss the existing contractual agreement with Aquaria and how to ensure communication from Aquaria to the City and the City Council given the difficulty the City Council has encountered in having an Aquaria representative appear before the Council.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JULY 20, 2015.
28. RESOLVE: That Congressman Lynch come before a Committee of this Council to give a Washington D.C. update.
POSTPONED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE BEING HELD ON JUNE 15, 2015.