

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Standing Committee on Finance met on Monday, October 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chamber with Councilor Cruise presiding. All councilors were present.

1. **ORDER:** The laying out and acceptance of Coe Road from Upton Street to east of Alphonse Road including the taking of an easement for highway purposes over lands of identified property owners. (This matter will require a public hearing and notice to abutters. A copy of abutter information is attached.)
A motion was made by Councilor Cruise second by Councilor Studenski as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
2. **ORDER:** That the common necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Brockton require the laying out and acceptance of Norwich Road from Baldwin Road northerly to Coe Road, and for that purpose it is necessary to take an easement for Highway Purposes and lay it out as a public way.
A motion was made by Councilor Cruise second by Councilor Studenski as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
3. **ORDER:** That the common necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the City of Brockton require the laying out and acceptance of Geralynn Drive from Plain Street to west of Juneau Road, a distance of 1,368.87 feet, and for that purpose it is necessary to take an easement for Highway Purposes and lay it out as a public way.
A motion was made by Councilor Cruise second by Councilor Studenski as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
4. **ORDER:** That a portion of Hammond Street, laid out by the Board of Mayor and Alderman on October 17, 1888, and accepted by the Common Council on October 17, 1888, extending from East Street easterly to a point one hundred fifty five and two hundredths feet (155.02') west of Thatcher Street, be and the same is hereby discontinued or abandoned
A motion was made by Councilor Cruise second by Councilor Studenski as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
5. **APPOINTMENT:** Tremeda M. Martin of 32 Merton St., Brockton, MA 02302 to the Brockton Cultural Council.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Lally as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
6. **APPOINTMENT:** Lasheka Hamilton of 52 Appleton St., Brockton, MA 02301 to the Brockton Cultural Council.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
7. **APPOINTMENT:** Noubé Rateau of 359 Hillberg Ave., Brockton, MA 02301 to the Brockton Cultural Council.
A motion was made by Councilor Rodriques second by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
8. **APPOINTMENT:** Jeffrey A. Thompson of 45 Ames Rd., Brockton as an alternate to the Brockton License Commission for a three year term.
A motion was made by Councilor Monahan second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
9. **APPOINTMENT:** MaryLynn Peters Chu of 117 Appleby St., Brockton, MA 02302 to the position of City Auditor for the City of Brockton to fill the unexpired term of Heidi Chuckran.
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

10. REAPPOINTMENT: William Scharnick, as a Constable in the City of Brockton for a term of three years
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
11. ORDER: That the new park at the old Ralsco Kitchen site be named Charles H. Tartaglia Park.
A motion was made by Councilor Monahan second by Councilor Farwell as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
12. ORDER:
Appropriation: of \$4,990.26
From: FY2015/16 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant
To: the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency FY15/16 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant Fund. These funds will be used to conduct planning and planning equipment for BEMA. No match required.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Eaniri as COMMITTEE HAS VOTED TO TABLE.
13. ORDER:
Appropriation: of \$4,764.40
From: Brockton Emergency Management- FY15 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
To: BEMA-FY15 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Fund. This funding will be used to purchase mobile communications equipment for BEMA.
A motion was made by Councilor Asack second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
14. ORDER:
Acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$14,461.29
From: Brewster Ambulance Service, Inc.
To: the City of Brockton Fire Department. The Fire Department intends to use these funds to purchase nine Dell tablets.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
15. ORDER:
Appropriation: of \$13,500
From: the FY2017 Massachusetts Department of Public Health Naloxone Grant
To: the City of Brockton Police Department FY2017 Massachusetts Department of Public Health Naloxone Grant Fund. These funds are to be used by both the Police and Fire Departments to purchase Naloxone, otherwise known as Narcan, and supplies related to the administering of this drug. No match required.
A motion was made by Councilor Studenski second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
16. ORDER:
Appropriation: of \$125,000.00
From: the FY17 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant
To: City of Brockton Police Department FY2017 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant Fund. These Funds will be used to hire street outreach, case management, behavioral health, tiered employment and education services for targeted group of youth ages 17-24 between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.

17. ORDER:
Appropriation: of \$90,000
From: the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services/Dept. Of Mental Health FY2017 and FY2018 Police-Based Jail Diversion Grant
To: the City of Brockton Police Department of Health and Human Services/Dept. Of Mental Health FY2017 and FY2018 Police-Based Jail Diversion Grant Fund.
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
18. ORDER:
Transfer: of \$90,000
From: Fire Department Capital Projects, Council Order 211 of April 2015
To: Fire Department Capital Projects-Zetron Fire Station Alerting System.
A motion was made by Councilor Asack second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
19. ORDER:
Appropriation of the award of \$50,000
From: the State Department of Housing and Economic Development
To: City of Brockton Parking Authority Housing and Economic Development Grant Fund.
A motion was made by Councilor Monahan second by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
20. ORDER: That the Personnel Director research the salary levels for comparable positions in the school department and municipal government, and prepare a report for review by the City Council; further, that this report be provided within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order unless the Personnel Director requests additional time.
A motion was made by Councilor Farwell second by Councilor Monahan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
21. ORDER: An Order adopting a Fuel Efficient Vehicle Policy as part of the Massachusetts Green Communities Initiative: Fuel Efficient Vehicle Policy.
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
22. ORDER: That the Public Safety Committee of the City Council shall perform an audit of current licenses issued by the Council, review the restrictions (if any) on those licenses, and evaluate related ordinances which affect Code Enforcement.
A motion was made by Councilor Eaniri second by Councilor Monahan REFER TO PUBLIC SAFETY.
23. RESOLVE: Invited guests from Father Bill's & Main Spring to present their next project at 682 N. Main St. and discuss the state of homelessness overall in the city of Brockton.
A motion was made by Councilor Asack second by Councilor Sullivan as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
24. RESOLVE: That the Brockton Water Systems Manager, a representative of the Brockton Water Commission, a representative of the Central Plymouth County Water District Commission, Mr. Alex Mansfield and Ms. Pine DuBois of the Jones River Watershed Association be invited to a meeting of the City Council to discuss issues affecting the quality and quantity of the city's water resources. (The address of Jones River Jones River Watershed Association is 55 Landing Rd Kingston, MA 02364.)
A motion was made by Councilor Farwell second by Councilor Sullivan to POSTPONE TO FIRST MEETING IN DECEMBER.

25. RESOLVE: To have Matthew Zahler of Trinity Financial Corp and any other individual from this company to update the City Council as to the development of a parking garage at the Enterprise Block and any information regarding a restaurant inside this establishment.
A motion was made by Councilor Asack second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
26. RESOLVE: To invite the Parking Authority Director Robert Malley along with representatives from Nelson/Nygaard to present the findings and conclusions of an extensive parking study done for downtown Brockton.
A motion was made by Councilor Monahan second by Councilor Asack as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.
27. RESOLVE: That the City's Mayor and Solicitor come before the Finance Committee to provide a status update and to discuss re-acquiring the real property located at 226 Main Street (commonly known as "the Ganley Building") that was conveyed by the City [for nominal consideration] to the Commonwealth for purposes of using the property as a College Collaborative.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Monahan TO POSTPONE TO THE SECOND MEETING IN NOVEMBER.
28. RESOLVE: That the Chairman of the Board of Assessors report to the City Council on the process and steps followed in assessing the value of homes in the City.
A motion was made by Councilor Monahan second by Councilor Eaniri TO POSTPONE TO THE NEXT MEETING IN OCTOBER.
29. RESOLVE: That the Mayor, Police Chief, Fire Chief, City Solicitor, Board of Health Director, and other relative City employees, appear before the Finance Committee to discuss the recent actions taken by the City to vacate "Tent City" on privately-owned property.
A motion was made by Councilor Sullivan second by Councilor Monahan TO POSTPONE TO THE SECOND MEETING IN NOVEMBER.
30. RESOVLE: To have members of the staff of Brockton 21st Century Corp along with Mayor Carpenter inform the City Council on current projects taking place to promote further economic development, new business, maintaining business and other outstanding issues being faced by this organization.
A motion was made by Councilor Beauregard second by Councilor Barnes as RECOMMENDED FAVORABLY.