

In City Council, May 28, 2019

1. Acceptance of the minutes of the May 13, 2019 City Council meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

2. Of Katherine M. Asiaf, 5 Tarkin Hill Lane, Bridgewater, MA as a Constable in the City of Brockton for a term of three (3) years.

PETITIONS:

3. Of In Good Health, Inc., 1200 West Chestnut St., Brockton, MA for a Retail Marijuana License at 1200 West Chestnut St., Brockton, MA, David Noble, President. The license is for retail, manufacturing and cultivation. The owner of the property is MNP Realty Trust.

REPORTS:

4. Of the Ordinance Committee for its meeting of May 8, 2019
5. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of May 20, 2019

COMMUNICATIONS:

6. From the Chief of the Police Department requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the 2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) awarded to the City of Brockton as a sub-recipient of the Plymouth County JAG project in the amount of \$77,603.00.
7. From the Mayor in accordance with M.G.L., Ch. 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$77,603 from U.S. Department of Justice-Office of Justice Programs-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) to Brockton Police Department-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (JAG) Fund. These grant funds are used to purchase necessary equipment for the Police Department, fund overtime for the purpose of community policing, retain the services of clinicians used in outreach efforts, and pay for at-risk youth to attend the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office Summer Day Camp. No match required.
8. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Ch. 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the appropriation of \$77,603 from U.S. Department of Justice-Office of Justice Programs-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) to Brockton Police Department-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (JAG) Fund.
9. From the Chief of the Police Department requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the 2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) awarded to the City of Brockton as a sub-recipient of the Plymouth County JAG project in the amount of \$80,433.00.
10. From the Mayor in accordance with M.G.L., Ch. 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$80,433.00 from U.S. Department of Justice-Office of Justice Programs-2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) to Brockton Police Department-2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (JAG). These grant funds are used to purchase necessary equipment for the Police Department, fund overtime for the purpose of community policing, retain the services of clinicians used in outreach efforts, and pay for at-risk youth to attend the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office Summer Day Camp.
11. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Ch. 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the appropriation of \$80,433.00 from U.S. Department of Justice-Office of Justice Programs-

2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) to Brockton Police Department-2017 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistant Grant (JAG).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

12. Brockton United Ordinance: The purpose of this ordinance is to create unity among residents of Brockton, whether born here or abroad; to welcome newcomers; and to engage community members in building trust and solidarity between the different ethnic groups that make up the City of Brockton and the City's Government.
(UNFAVORABLE)
13. Total Appropriation: of \$660,000
From: Stabilization Fund
To: Non-Net School Spending (FAVORABLE)
14. Total Appropriation of \$20,000
From: Public Property-Purchase of Services
To: Public Property-Overtime. (FAVORABLE)
15. Total Appropriation of: \$250,000
From: DPW-Snow Removal
To: Planning and Economic Development \$250,000
(FAVORABLE AS AMENDED)
16. Ordered: that the Brockton City Council, acting on behalf of the City of Brockton, does hereby grant a perpetual right and easement to Massachusetts Electric Company. Said land being located as Lot 46 on City of Brockton Assessor's Map No. 32. (331 Oak St., off Colantha Ave.) (FAVORABLE)
17. Approval of the payment of \$21,739.08
From: Finance-Purchase of Services
To: Nugen Capital
for the billing period of December 2016 through January 2017.(FAVORABLE)
- 18 Order: That pursuant to the Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of Comcast Revolving Fund for Fiscal Year 2020, from the cash receipts from Comcast Franchise fees, in excess of \$675,000, pursuant to the cable license contract, and further, that the expenditures from this fund shall not exceed \$750,000.00 without further appropriation, during fiscal year 2020.(FAVORABLE)
19. Ordered: That the Brockton City Council, acting on behalf of the City of Brockton, does hereby grant an easement to Massachusetts Electric Company. Said "Underground System" is located in, through, under, over, across and upon a certain parcel of land situated on the easterly side of L Street, being more particularly shown as "Parcel "A" 11,003 sq ft." on a Plan of Land recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 23, Page 638. (121 Main St. and 28 High St.) (FAVORABLE)
20. Ordered: That pursuant to the Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of Parking Authority Revolving Fund to receive revenues from Parking Violations Fines up to and including the amount of \$250,000, said funds to be expended by the Parking Authority to pay expenses of parking regulation enforcement and repair and maintenance of lots, facilities and equipment, and capital projects, but expenditures for capital projects shall require the written approval both of the Parking Authority Board of Directors and the Mayor for Fiscal Year 2020. Amounts in excess of \$250,000 shall be credited to the General Fund.
(FAVORABLE)

21. Ordered: That pursuant to the Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund for the purpose of maintaining the Abandoned Building Registry, as well as the closing, boarding up and care of vacant and abandoned buildings. Expenditures from the Vacant and Abandoned buildings revolving fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Brockton Building Commissioner, provided that not more than two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund during FY20. (FAVORABLE)
22. Ordered: That pursuant to the Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2, the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of the Demolition Revolving Fund for FY2020 for the sole purpose of helping to fund the cost in connection with the demolition of buildings in the City of Brockton. Expenditures from the Demolition Revolving Fund shall be made at the direction of Building Superintendent, with the written approval of the Mayor, provided that not more than \$110,000 may be so expended from the Demolition Revolving Fund during FY2020.(FAVORABLE)
23. In compliance with the provisions of the Election Laws, notice is hereby given that the City Preliminary will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 and that the City Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at various designated polling places.(FAVORABLE)
24. Resolved: That the Superintendent of Schools and such other staff as she may designate, be invited to a Finance Committee Meeting in May, 2019, to provide an updated overview of funding, staffing, and educational equity issues for Brockton's school population.(FAVORABLE)

ORDERS:

25. An Ordinance Amending Chapter II, Division 5, Section 2-183 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton. _Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton: Section 2-183 of Chapter II of the Revised Ordinances is hereby amended by inserting subsection "c" as follows: "Section (c) The City Solicitor shall provide to the City Council copies of all documents which would otherwise be available to the public, and which are related to any Civil or other legal action wherein the City, its officers, agents, or departments, are named as a defendant or respondent, or where the City is a plaintiff. For the purposes of this section, 'public' is defined as those documents which are received by the city, or filed by the city, and which are deemed 'public' pursuant to applicable Court rules, regulations or law. The Solicitor shall provide such copies within fourteen (14) days of the date of filing of said documents. Annually, not later than April 1st and thereafter, the City Solicitor shall provide to the City Council a quarterly report of pending legal actions and the status of that litigation.
26. Ordered: Acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$77,603
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All items on agenda are available in their entirety for review in the City Clerk's Office for all interested parties.

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