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This meeting is being held in accordance with Governor Charlie Baker's signed open meeting law order dated March 12, 2020 which relieves a public body from the requirement of section 20 of chapter 30A that it conduct its meetings in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, provided that the public body makes provision to ensure public access to the deliberations of the public body for interested members of the public through adequate, alternative means.

A regular meeting of the City Council was held on Monday June 22, 2020 via zoom with councilors accessing this remotely, President Asack presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM with eleven members present.

President Asack stated that due to technical issues, the meeting will be live on BCA-TV and will be posted to YouTube shortly after the conclusion of the meeting.

In City Council, June 22, 2020

**302** Acceptance of the City Council minutes of May 26, 2020 meeting

Accepted and placed on file

APPOINTMENTS:

**303** Promotion of Firefighter Kevin P. Sullivan to the rank of Fire Lieutenant in the Brockton Fire Department.

Councilor Monahan motioned to take this item under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays".

Councilor Cruise stated he would be remiss if he did not mention the man he is replacing. There have been very few people who have given so much of their life for the protection of the people of Brockton and their fellow firefighters. Archie Gormley has been a great public servant of the City of Brockton and wish him best of luck.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

President Asack wished her congratulations to Lt. Sullivan.

Fire Chief Williams also passed on his congratulations to one of his best firefighters for several years.

Lt. Sullivan thanked the Mayor, Fire Chief and the City Council for making this happen.

Deputy Chief Nardelli also congratulated Lt. Sullivan.

Councilor Monahan motion to take items #304 through 310 collectively and under the suspension of rules which was properly seconded. Motion carried by a role call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays".

**304** Appointment of Steven Johnson as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays", eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

### **83. APPOINTMENTS (CONT'D)**

**305** Appointment of Robert F. Sergio as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**306** Appointment of Scott D. Uhlman as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**307** Appointment of Robert J. Smith as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**308** Appointment of John Lonergan as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**309** Appointment of Andrew Cesarini as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**310** Appointment of Peter J. Skelly as a Special Police Officer in the City of Brockton for a term of one year.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”, eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

#### **HEARINGS:**

Petition from Massachusetts Electric Company requesting permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said company may deem necessary, in the following public way or ways: Install New Pole #17 on Thatcher St.

Hearing held.

Mr. Symon Yeung from National Grid, representing other engineers that were unable to attend, appeared in favor. The pole is being installed with a power sensing device that will help to track outages more efficiently.

None appeared in opposition.

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. requesting permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways: North Quincy St. & Boundary Ave. Installation of four JO poles P126-50, P125, P124 and P4, Remove three JO poles P126, old P4 and old P124. Relocate one JO pole.

Hearing held.

## 84. HEARINGS (CONT'D)

Mr. Symon Yeung from National Grid appeared in favor.

None appeared in opposition.

Petition of National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. requesting permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways: North Quincy St. & Boundary Ave. Installation of new jointly owned Pole 59-1 on Sterling Rd. for ADA compliance MassDOT project.

Hearing held.

Mr. Symon Yeung from National Grid appeared in favor.

None appeared in opposition.

### REPORTS:

**311** Of the Real Estate Committee for its meeting of June 11, 2020

Accepted and placed on file.

**312** Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of June 15, 2020

Accepted and placed on file.

### COMMUNICATIONS:

**313** From the DPW Commissioner requesting the acceptance and expenditure of a grant received in the amount of \$920,000 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Housing and Economic Development Program. The City is not required to contribute any matching funds for expenditures of the grant. The grant will fund construction of a new roadway from Petronelli Way to Court Street including crossing Franklin Street and improvements to Petronelli Way. The Project will support the four lots of developable municipal property within the City's 40R Smart Growth District.

Accepted and placed on file.

**314** From the Mayor recommending that the City Council provide authorization to expend additional grant monies related to the construction of a new roadway from Petronelli Way to Court Street from the Housing Economic Development Program in the amount of \$920,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**315** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Ch. 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the proposed acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$920,000 from Commonwealth of Massachusetts Housing and Economic Development Grant Program to Department of Public Works-Housing and Economic Development Grant Fund.

Accepted and placed on file.

**316** From the Deputy Director of MassDot acting under the provisions of Ch. 6C and Ch. 81 of the General Laws, on May 13, 2020 the Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation-Highway Division altered the location of a section (s) of State highway in Brockton and submitted a copy of the plan to file in the clerk's office in accordance with the statute referenced above.

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Accepted and placed on file.

**317** From the Director of Planning and Economic Development requesting that the City Council accept the \$200,000 40R Dividend and appropriate funds such as \$100,000 in FY21 to Planning Dept.- 40R Activities and the remaining \$100,000 into Thatcher Street Stabilization Account to be established by the Chief Financial Officer. (will be used to advance planning efforts including the development of new zoning around the Campello Station Area and the Southern Main Street Corridor to support the Campello Vision Plan created in 2018.)

Accepted and placed on file.

**318** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council provide authorization to accept a 40R Smart growth Incentive dividend from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the amount of \$200,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**319** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$200,000 from Commonwealth of Massachusetts-40R Smart growth Incentive to Planning & Economic Development – 40R Activities (\$100,000) and Planning & Economic Development-Thatcher St. Capital (\$100,000).

Accepted and placed on file.

**320** From the Interim Superintendent of Buildings requesting the reauthorization of the Revolving Fund FY21 for the Demolition account.

Accepted and placed on file.

**321** From the Mayor, in accordance with the provisions and stipulations of Section 53E ½ of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, recommending the reauthorization of the Demolition Revolving Fund for FY21 for the sole purpose of helping to fund the cost in connection with the demolition of buildings in the City of Brockton. The Demolition Revolving Fund shall receive the receipt of payments of all demolition charges of the City of Brockton. Expenditures from the Demolition Revolving Fund shall be made at the direction of the 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 FY21. The Building Superintendent shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½.

Accepted and placed on file.

**322** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the proposed re-authorization of Demolition Revolving Fund for the demolition charges and fees for the FY2021, limited to annual expenditures of not more than \$110,000, during FY2021, for demolition costs of buildings in the City of Brockton.

Accepted and placed on file.

**323** From the Interim Superintendent of Buildings requesting the reauthorization of the Revolving Fund FY2021 for the Vacant/Abandoned Fund.

Accepted and placed on file.

**324** From the Mayor, in accordance with the provisions and stipulations of Section 53E ½ of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, recommending the reauthorization of the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund for the purpose of maintaining the Abandoned Buildings Registry, as well as the closing, boarding up and care of vacant and

**COMMUNICATIONS (CONT'D)**

abandoned buildings. The Vacant and Abandoned Building Fund shall receive the receipts of payments of fines and fees for the registration of vacant and abandoned buildings. Expenditures from the Vacant and Abandoned Building Revolving Fund shall be made at the direction of the Building Superintendent, with the written approval of the Mayor, provided that not more than \$250,000 may be so expended without further appropriation from the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund during FY21. The Building Superintendent shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½.

Accepted and placed on file.

**325** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the proposed re-authorization of Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund for the sole purpose of maintaining the Abandoned Building Registry, limited to annual expenditures of not more than \$250,000, during FY2021.

Accepted and placed on file.

**326** From the DPW Commissioner, requesting that the City Council transfer \$75,000 from the Highway Division's Capital project outlay to Highway Division- Snow Removal.

Accepted and placed on file.

**327** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council provide authorization to transfer monies for the department of Public Works from the Capital line item to the Highway Division-Snow Removal line item in the amount of \$75,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**328** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the transfer of \$75,000 from Department of Public Works-Capitol to Department of Public Works-Highway Division-Snow Removal.

Accepted and placed on file.

**329** From the Chief of Police, requesting the transfer of \$300,000 from Police-Court to Police-Capital.

Accepted and placed on file.

**330** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council provide authorization to transfer monies for the Police Department from Court line item to Capital line item in the amount of \$300,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**331** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the transfer of \$300,000 from Police Department-Court to Police Department-Capital.

Accepted and placed on file.

**332** From the Chief of Police, requesting authorization to spend grant monies in the amount of \$6,000 related to the FFY 2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security via the national Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Accepted and placed on file.

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**333** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council provide authorization from the Police Department to expend monies from the FFY2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program grant from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in the amount of \$6,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**334** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$6,000 from Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS)-National Highway Traffic Safety Administration-FY2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program to Police Department-FY2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program fund.

Accepted and placed on file.

**335** From the Director of Planning and Economic Development requesting that the City Council accept and appropriate a \$50,000 grant from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, for the purposes of developing Transit Oriented Development zoning in the Campello Neighborhood.

Accepted and placed on file.

**336** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council accept a Transit Oriented Development grant from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs for the purposes of developing zoning in the Campello Neighborhood in the amount of \$50,000.

Accepted and placed on file.

**337** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$50,000 from Commonwealth of Massachusetts-Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs – Planning Assistance grant to Planning & Economic Development – Planning Assistance grant.

Accepted and placed on file.

**338** From the Chief of the Police Department requesting permission to expend “Law Enforcement Equipment and Technology” grant in the amount of \$37,987.69 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Office of Grants and Research by the United States Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Accepted and placed on file.

**339** From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council provide authorization for the Police Department to expend monies from the FY2019 Project Safe Neighborhoods “Law Enforcement and Technology” local solicitation. This is a passthrough grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) family of grants via the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS). Police will be purchasing seven interoperable digital radios that are Chapter 25 compliant as it continues to switch officers from analog radios to digital radios. The DA's office will be purchasing one desktop computer, 2 laptop computers and Input Ace software for digital evidence analysis software.

Accepted and placed on file.

**340** From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$37,987.69 from Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Office of Grants and Research by

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the United States Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance-Law Enforcement Equipment and Technology grant to Brockton Police Department-Law Enforcement Equipment and Technology Grant fund.

Accepted and placed on file.

**341** From the Mayor, appointing Emanuel Gomes as Chief of Police for the City of Brockton Police Department for a term of three years.

Accepted and placed on file.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**189** Ordered: that the Mayor and/or Treasurer/Collector be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to convey the property consisting of 3,255 square feet, located and known as Plot 10-1, 78 Wyman Street, Parcel ID: 093-204 to Alex Cwiakala, 76.5 Wyman Street, Brockton, MA 02301 for the purchase price of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Said property to be sold under the Abutter Lot Program and to be sold with a permanent non-buildable restriction. Said property shall also merge with abutting lot of the purchaser. (FAVORABLE AS AMENDED)

Amendment passed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “Nays”, 11 members present and all voting in the affirmative.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**282** Ordered: Total Proposed Transfer of \$20,000  
From: Parking Authority-Personal Services Non-Overtime  
To: Parking Authority-Purchase of Services-Security Fire Control (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**285** Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize the Parking Authority’s Revolving fund to for revenues from parking fines up to and including the amount of \$250,000 for FY2021. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**283** Ordered: Total proposed Transfer of \$25,000  
From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fire Services  
To: Brockton Fire Department-FY2020 General Appropriations Act, CH. 41 of the Acts of 2019 grant. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**291** Total Proposed Transfer of \$100,000  
From: Auditor’s Office-Consultants for \$25,000 and Police Department-  
Personal Services Other than Overtime-Court for \$75,000  
To: Planning and Economic Development-Other Contract Services (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**284** Ordered: Total transfer of \$1,500,000  
From: DPW-Highway Division Snow Removal

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONT'D)**

To: City's Stabilization fund (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**257** Ordered: That the City Council provide authorization for payment of the T-Mobile bill in the amount of \$1,636.65  
From: Library-Purchase of Services. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**289** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of the Comcast Revolving Fund for FY2021, from all cash receipts from Comcast franchise fees, in excess of \$675,000, pursuant to the cable license contract, and that further, that the expenditure from this fund shall not exceed \$750,000 without further appropriation, during fiscal year 2021(FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**163** Ordered: That the City Council authorize the proposed Tax Increment Financing Agreement between the City of Brockton and New Westgate Mall LLC.  
(FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with ten voting in the affirmative. Councilor Eaniri voted in the negative.

Councilor Farwell motion for reconsideration in the hopes that this does not pass and was properly seconded. Motion failed by a hand vote.

**292** Resolve: That a representative from MassDevelopment appear before the Finance Committee to inform the Committee about the Massachusetts Property Assessed Clean Energy Program ("PACE Massachusetts") to provide a financing mechanism to private owners of commercial and industrial properties for certain qualifying commercial energy improvements. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**169** Resolve: That Joe Miranda, President of Brockton Community Access Board, appear before the City Council to give an update on BCA's progress.  
(FAVORABLE)

Councilor Cardoso thanked Mr. Miranda for sending the bylaws. She wasn't clear whether in his role as a board member if he should be filling in a management capacity for BCA. She continued that in this era where we need as many platforms as possible to disseminate information in different languages, she would like to see BCA working to its fullest potential.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**ORDERS:**

President Asack stated that Mayor Sullivan, CFO Clarkson and Police Chief Gomes were on the meeting and are available for questions.

**342** Ordered: 1. That the Mayor of Brockton, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 44, sec. 53A, be and is hereby authorized to accept the grant in the amount of

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\$920,000 from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Housing Choice Initiative Program; and 2. That the Mayor of Brockton be and is hereby authorized to expend and take such other actions as are necessary to carry out the terms, purposes, and conditions of this grant to be administered by the City's Department of Public Works.

Referred to Finance

**343** Ordered: The City of Brockton shall accept a \$200,000 40R Smart Growth incentive dividend from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and reinvest it in planning activities. That \$100,000 of the 40R Smart Growth dividend be appropriated in Fiscal Year 2021 to Department of Planning and Economic Development, 40R Activities, and that the Department is authorized to engage professional consulting services to prepare various planning documents for various commercial district and in particular the Campello neighborhood. Said documents may include, but shall not be limited to the following; District Master Plans, Rezoning Proposals, Urban Renewal Plans, District Improvement Plans, and Infrastructure Plans. That \$100,000 of the 40R Smart Growth dividend be appropriated into a Thatcher Street stabilization account to be created by the Chief Financial Officer.

Referred to Finance

**344** Ordered: That the City of Brockton shall accept a \$50,000 Planning Assistance Grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA), for the purposes of developing Transit Oriented Development zoning in the Campello Neighborhood, and That the required 25% match of \$12,500 come from the Thatcher Street 40R Smart Growth dividend, and That the Mayor of Brockton be and is hereby authorized to take such other actions as are necessary to carry out the terms, purposes, and conditions of this grant to be administered by the Department of Planning and Economic Development.

Referred to Finance

**345** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund for the purpose of maintaining the Abandoned Buildings Registry, as well as the closing, boarding up and care of vacant and abandoned buildings. Expenditures from the Vacant and Abandoned Building Revolving Fund shall be made at the direction of the Building Superintendent, with the written approval of the Mayor, provided that not more than \$250,000 may be so expended without further appropriation from the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund during FY21.

Councilor Cruise motioned to take this item under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Councilor Cruise asked if CFO Clarkson would give a brief explanation for the public on this item.

CFO Clarkson explained that this is one of several City revolving funds. This one is for maintaining, boarding up and care of vacant and abandoned buildings. Several years ago an ordinance was passed that required owners of vacant buildings to pay a fee if the buildings remain vacant. The money can be used to make repairs or emergency updates on these that are part of the Abandoned Building registry. The current balance in this fund is \$1,905,486.

Councilor Cruise asked if when money is expended, are liens placed to recoup this money to which CFO Clarkson replied yes.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

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**ORDERS (CONT'D)**

**346** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the re-authorization of the Demolition Revolving Fund for FY21 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 the 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 FY21.

Councilor Cruise motioned to take this item under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**347** Ordered: Total transfer of \$300,000  
From: Police Department - Court  
To: Police Department - Capital

Councilor Lally motioned to take items **347** & **348** collectively and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Councilor Lally motioned to take items under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Councilor Cruise asked CFO Clarkson on **347**, since \$300,000 was left over for court, is this because of COVID-19 and the courts being limited. Also, is this something that can be taken out of the budget this year. CFO Clarkson stated yes to both questions. Chief Gomes has authorized this use due to the closing of the courts and not needing to send police officers. There is a current balance of \$383,000 now. Reductions have been made going forward as the Chief has made some reforms.

Councilor Cruise asked what it would be used for by moving this to Capital. CFO Clarkson stated that there is a problem with a leaking roof at the police station that needs to be addressed.

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**348** Ordered: Total Transfer of \$75,000  
From: Department of Public Works-Capital  
To: Department of Public Works-Highway Division-Snow Removal

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

Councilor Farwell motion to take items **349** & **350** collectively and under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

Councilor Farwell explained that Police Department partnered with the DA office for the purchase of seven radios and a couple laptops and evidence software. The funds have to be spent and the goods delivered by September 30. On the Bicycle Safety grant, this will allow bicycle patrols where there are areas of heavy pedestrian traffic and accidents.

**349** Ordered: Appropriation of \$37,987,69.  
From the FY2019 Project Safe Neighborhoods “Law Enforcement and Technology” local solicitation  
To: Police Department-law Enforcement Equipment and technology Grant fund

Adopted by a roll call vote taken with “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative,

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**ORDERS (CONT'D)**

Councilor Farwell motioned for reconsideration in the hopes that it does not prevail and was properly seconded. Motion failed by a hand vote.

**350** Ordered: Appropriation of \$6,000

From: Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS)- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration-FY2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program  
To: Police Department- FY2020 Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program fund

Adopted by a roll call vote taken with “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative,

Councilor Farwell motioned for reconsideration in the hopes that it does not prevail and was properly seconded. Motion failed by a hand vote.

Granting of Massachusetts Electric Company to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said company may deem necessary, in the following public way: Install New Pole #17 on Thatcher St.

Granted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

Granting of National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways: North Quincy St. & Boundary Ave. Installation of four JO poles P126-50, P125, P124 and P4, Remove three JO poles P126, old P4 and old P124. Relocate one JO pole.

Granted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

Granting of National Grid and Verizon New England Inc. to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways: North Quincy St. & Boundary Ave. Installation of new jointly owned Pole 59-1 on Sterling Rd. for ADA compliance MassDOT project.

Granted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present and all voting in the affirmative.

**LATE FILES:**

Councilor Mendes motioned to accept a late file and to take this under the suspension of rules and was properly seconded. Motion carried by a hand vote.

**351** Ordered: Appointment of Emanuel Gomes as Chief of Police for the City of Brockton for a term of three Years.

Mayor Sullivan thanked Councilor Mendes for sponsoring the late file. Mayor Sullivan stated that item **341** was presented as a communication, as past practices have allowed us to do this for certain department heads. Chief Gomes has been the acting Chief since the beginning of the year and has done a phenomenal job with great communication with the Council and other elected officials along with the citizens of Brockton.

Councilor Cruise stated he has known Chief Gomes and his family for 45 years and is so impressed with the job he has done since coming back into this role, especially

**LATE FILES (CONT'D)**

with the tough times nationally and locally of the past month and a half. The leadership of his men and his communication with the public has been exemplary.

President Asack concurred with Councilor Cruise's comments.

Councilor Cardoso thanked Chief Gomes for his communication with the Council. She stated in this climate of police reform and all the issues we're having around transparency in the department, she suggests we do more to inform the public of the policies and to be proactive in making sure that people understand that the police department is here to protect them. If there is anything the Council can do to support this, she asked Chief Gomes to please reach out.

Councilor Nicastro thanked and congratulated Chief Gomes.

Councilor Rodrigues wanted to echo Councilor Cardoso's comments and take this a little further. One thing we need to do in the City is to make sure are leaders are visible in the public. He would like to see the Chief out in the public along with the politicians.

Chief Gomes thanked the Mayor for placing his trust in him and the Council for their kind words. He is in the process of taking things in a different direction. He stated he plans on being very present and the department will be very transparent.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

Councilor Mendes motioned for reconsideration in the hope that this does not prevail and was properly seconded. Motion failed by a hand vote.

Councilor Mendes motioned to move under suspension of the rules and accept 7 late file promotions (**352-358**) and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

Mayor Sullivan explained that the reason for these promotions is a trickle-down effect from Chief Gomes relinquishing his captaincy. When He is no longer Chief, he will retire. This opens up positions and moves people up in rank. Because of the summer meeting schedule, this is why these are done now.

Councilor Cruise asked if the ordinance allows for the renouncing of the captaincy. Mayor Sullivan stated there was a past practice used when Chief Studenski was appointed.

**352** Promotion of Matthew Graham to the rank of Sergeant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**353** Promotion of William Stafford to the rank of Sergeant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**354** Promotion of Adam Rees to the rank of Sergeant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

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**LATE FILES (CONT'D)**

**355** Promotion of Patrick Benvie to the rank of Sergeant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**356** Promotion of Arthur McNulty to the rank of Captain in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**357** Promotion of Brenda Perez to the rank of Lieutenant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

**358** Promotion of William Schlieman to the rank of Lieutenant in the Brockton Police Department.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; eleven members present with all voting in the affirmative.

Councilor Cruise asked for the list to be emailed to the councilors by the Clerk’s office. President Asack stated the list was sent just prior to the meeting.

**Councilor’s Recognition**

Councilor Farwell said Deputy Chief Kenneth Kilpatrick, who served 34 years in the Brockton Fire Department passed away two days ago. Mr. Kilpatrick was a WWII veteran and was in the initial assault of Normandy on June 6, 1944. Councilor Farwell asked for a moment of silence.

President Asack offered condolences to Janice Fitzgerald from the Council on Aging on the loss of her mother.

President Asack reminded all that budget hearings will be held June 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, starting at 6PM. Comments from residents will be read from 6:00-6:30PM on both nights. Comments can be sent via email or YouTube. Hearings will be held in the Council Chambers. All regulations from the Board of Health and Building Departments will be followed. This will be a new process for all of us.

Adjourned at 8:15PM

All council business as listed on the agenda have been emailed to the City Council members in their complete form, with exception of oversized material, such as maps, photos, etc.