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 **following COVID-19 procedures.** 

In City Council, November 9, 2020

1. Acceptance of the City Council minutes of October 26, 2020 meeting

### **REPORTS:**

- 2. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of November 2, 2020
- 3. Of the Real Estate Committee for its meeting on October 28, 2020

## **HEARINGS**:

4. Petition of Terrasol, LLC, Ian Woods, for a Retail Marijuana License located at 702 N. Montello St., Brockton, MA 02301

## APPOINTMENTS:

5. Of James Plouffe of 3 Carriage House Drive Lakeville, MA 02347 to the position of Building Superintendent of the Public Property Department for the City of Brockton for a three-year term ending November 2023.

## COMMUNICATIONS:

- 6. From the Mayor, requesting a waiver under Section 2-100 of the Ordinances of the City of Brockton on behalf of James Plouffe of the Building Department.
- 7. From the Emergency Management Director requesting the approval of a grant award in the amount of \$25,600 from the FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness grant. This funding will be used for a portable lighting trailer for the Fire Department and radio equipment to expand the BEMA and School 911 radio infrastructure. No match is required.
- 8. From the Mayor, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant award in the amount of \$25,600 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)-FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant to the City of Brockton Emergency Management-FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant fund. The FY20 Management Preparedness grant will be used for a portable lighting trailer for the Fire department and radio equipment to expand the BEMA and School 911 radio infrastructure. No match is required.
- 9. From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the total acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$25,600 from Massachusetts Emergency management Agency (MEMA)-FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness grant to City of Brockton Emergency Management FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant fund.
- 10. From the Chief of the Police Department requesting authorization to expend \$1,000 in donated funds from C. Carney Environmental to be used to purchase equipment for K-9 related needs.

- 11. From the Mayor, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from C. Carney Environmental to the Police Department. The C. Carney Environmental donation will be used to purchase equipment for K-9 related needs. There is no match required for these funds.
- 12. From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the total acceptance and expenditure of the total donation in the amount of \$1,000 from C. Carney Environmental to Police Department
- 13. From the Grant Coordinator of the Police Department requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FFY 2020 US Department of Justice/Bulletproof Vest Program Grant in the amount of \$13,265.00. There is no required match for these funds.
- 14. From the Mayor, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant award in the amount of \$13,265 from the U.S. Department of Justice- FY2020 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant to the Police Department-FY2020 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant fund. The FY2020 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant will be used to reimburse 50 percent of the cost of bulletproof vests for Brockton Police officers whose vests need to be replaced in the upcoming cycle. Vests need to be replaced every five years. There is no required match for these funds.
- 15. From the CFO, in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying the total acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$13,625 from U.S. Department of Justice-FY20 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant to Police Department-FY20 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Fund.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 16. Appointment of Ryan Burke of 81 Rockford St., Brockton, MA as Trustee of the War Memorial for the City of Brockton for a three-year term. (FAVORABLE)
- 17. Reappointment of Kenneth Galligan, of 25 Messina Dr., Brockton to the Traffic Commission pursuant to City of Brockton Ordinance sec. 466, for a term of three (3) years. Prior term ended September 2020. (FAVORABLE)
- 18. Ordered: Appropriation of \$68,703

From: Plymouth County US Department of Justice-FY20 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

To: Police Department-FY20 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Fund. (FAVORABLE)

19. Ordered: Appropriation of \$150,000
 From Unappropriated Estimated Receipts
 To: Information Technology – Telephone (FAVORABLE)

20. Ordered: that sum of \$2,000,000 is appropriated to pay costs of replacing water transmission main piping and valves, including the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L, c. 44, ss 8 (5) or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor. All or any portion of this borrowing may be obtained through the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the "Trust"). Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, ss 20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount. Further Ordered: That the City Treasurer is authorized to file an application with The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under M.G.L. c. 44A any and all bonds or notes of the

City authorized by this vote, and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Municipal Finance Oversight Board of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts may require. (FAVORABLE)

- 21. Resolve: To invite the Mayor to come before the committee of this council to discuss what has taken place to replace Bob Malley as Executive Director of the Parking Authority. (FAVORABLE)
- 22. Ordered: That the City Council hereby declare the City owned parcel at West Elm Street, Brockton, MA (known as Keith Field), Assessor Map 58, Route 71-1, Plot 56, being the same premises shown on "Plan of Land in Brockton, June 12, 1920, Hayward & Hayward, Surveyors, 28 Main Street, Brockton, filed with Plymouth County Land Court Records, as surplus and available for disposition. (FAVORABLE AS AMENDED)
- 23. From the Mayor, recommending that the City Council authorize the Mayor to execute the "Grant of Easement" and to take other actions as necessary to carry out the terms, purposes and conditions of the same. (To Massachusetts Electric Co. for an Underground Electric Distribution System located on the southerly side of Crescent Street at parcel 110-016 and Parcel 110-017 more particularly as described in the "Grant of Easement") (FAVORABLE)

### **ORDERS**:

- 24. Ordinance: An Ordinance Amending Part II of the Revised Ordinances, Chapter 21 "Taxicabs, Buses, etc." Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton: Section 21-11(a) shall be amended
- 25. Ordered: Acceptance and expenditure of the donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 From: C. Carney Environmental
  To: Police Department
  No match required
- 26. Ordered: Acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$25,600 From: Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)-FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant To: City of Brockton Emergency Management-FY20 Emergency Management Preparedness Grant fund.
- 27. Ordered: Acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$13,265 From: U.S. Department of Justice- FY2020 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership grant To: Police Department-FY2020 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant fund.
- 28. Ordered: The City Council reviews an exemption from the residency requirement in accordance with the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton Article III Section 2-110, City of Brockton Ordinance Waiver of Residency in reference to James Plouffe of the Building Department
- 29. Resolve: To invite Ms. Joanne Zygmunt of Brockton, as she serves as Chair of the Central Plymouth County Water District Commission, to come before a committee of this Council to discuss current work and projects of the Commission, including without limitation, a proposed water monitoring program for Silver Lake.
- 30. Resolve: To invite Mr. John O'Donnell, as he is the Chairperson of the Brockton Board of Assessors, and any other persons he wishes to accompany him, to come before a committee of this Council to discuss the results of the recent comprehensive reassessment of all classes of property in the City of Brockton, the resulting proposed 2021 property valuations, and information related to the valuations and tax rate.

# **Councilor's Recognition**

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. Recommendations are based on reports from committees.