

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Standing Committee on Finance met on *Monday, December 7th, 2020 at 7:00 PM, Via Zoom*, with Councilor Asack presiding, 10 members present, Councilor Rodrigues absent, to consider the following:

*Meeting started at 7:35 PM after the Tax Levy Hearing

*Councilor Cardoso presents a citation to Angel Cosme for Mutual Aid Brockton, helping Brockton Residents with food and other needed resources.

*Councilor Lally states this is the anniversary of Pearl Harbor and requests a moment of silence.

1. Reappointment of Stephen Hooke of 31 Hammond St. Brockton, MA to the Traffic Commission for a three-year term.

Invited: Mayor Robert Sullivan

Stephan Hooke, Director of Brockton Emergency Management Agency

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Cruise to report FAVORABLE, 2nd by Councilor Lally. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

2. Ordered: Acceptance of an anonymous donation of \$8,000 to be used to purchase equipment for K-9 related needs.

From: An anonymous donation

To: Police Department.

There is no required match for these funds.

Invited: Mayor Robert Sullivan

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

Emanuel Gomes, Chief of Police

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Cruise to report FAVORABLE, 2nd by Councilor Farwell. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

3. Ordered: Appropriation of \$68,000

From: Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP)- Sustainable Materials Recovery Program grant

To: Department of Public Works-Sustainable Materials Recovery Program fund.

Invited: Mayor Robert Sullivan

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

Lawrence Rowley, Commissioner, D.P.W.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Cruise to report FAVORABLE, 2nd by Councilor Thompson. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

4. Communication from the Mayor authorizing the City of Brockton Public Works Department to transfer \$1,400,000 of the \$2,000,000 that was originally appropriated to fund the water main replacement on Thomas Street, Thomas Circle and Morse Avenue. While this transfer is not required to be authorized by the City Council, CFO Troy

Clarkson and the Mayor committed to communicate with the City Council about the way in which these funds would be expended. The Mayor respectfully requests that this communication be referred to the City of Brockton Finance Committee, so that this matter may be further discussed.

Invited: Mayor Robert Sullivan
Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer
Lawrence Rowley, Commissioner, D.P.W.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Cruise to report FAVORABLE, 2nd by Councilor Nicastro. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

5. Resolve as follows: That the City Council shall recommend approval for the City of Brockton to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of West Bridgewater for all properties seeking water and sewer connections with Brockton. That the City Council shall recommend approval for the City of Brockton to approve the water connection for the 46-acre parcel approved by the Brockton Water Commission and execute the Intermunicipal Agreement with West Bridgewater for the water and sewer connections for said Parcel.

Invited: Mayor Robert Sullivan
Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer
Lawrence Rowley, Commissioner of D.P.W.
Richard Lawton, Co-Counsel, Meadow Woods LLC
Attorney Benjamin Albanese
Ross Messina, Meadow Woods Manager
David Gay, Legal Counsel, West Bridgewater
David Gagne, Town Administrator, West Bridgewater

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Mendes to report to POSTPONE until the December 21st Finance Committee Meeting, 2nd by Councilor Eaniri. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

6. Resolved as follows: That the City of Brockton should consider amending the current curfew and allow Brockton's restaurants to operate later daily or in the alternative to operate later Thursday's, Friday's, and Saturday's.

Having considered the same, motion by Councilor Mendes to report to TABLE, 2nd by Councilor Cruise. Motion carried by a roll call vote, 10 in the affirmative.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:57 PM