

REPORT – ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
September 28, 2021

The Standing Committee on Ordinances and Rules to which was referred the following reports as follows:

#1 on agenda

having considered the same, report FAVORABLE by Motion of Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Rodrigues.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#2 on agenda

having considered the same, report POSTPONED until next Ordinance Meeting by Motion of Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Nicastro.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#3 on agenda

having considered the same, report FAVORABLE by Motion of Councilor Rodrigues, 2nd by Councilor Monahan.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#4 on agenda

having considered the same, report TABLED by Motion of Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Rodrigues.

Next the Committee considered the following:

MINUTES – ORDINANCE COMMITTEE
September 28, 2021

The Standing Committee on Ordinances and Rules was called to order at 6:55 p.m. by Councilor Eaniri with Councilors Eaniri, Monahan, Nicastro, Rodrigues, and Thompson present.

Agenda read into the record.

Councilor Eaniri relative to #4 to take out of order. Mayor unable to attend due to school committee finance meeting. City Solicitor unable to attend, but prepared and spoke with Legislative Counsel in advance of meeting.

The Committee first considered the following:

#4 on agenda

Comments by Councilor Eaniri
(re unexpected passing of Henry Tartaglia)

Motion to recommend TABLED by Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Rodrigues. Motion carried unanimously.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#1 on agenda

Comments by Councilor Nicastro
(re ordinance)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(re financial impact interest, federal holiday)

Legislative Counsel to follow up on inquiry on cost with the Chief Financial Officer.

Comments by Councilor Rodrigues
(re importance of celebrating the Juneteenth holiday)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(question was for better understanding, sponsor of the ordinance and agrees this is a Holiday to be celebrated throughout City, legislative body interest in costs)

Motion to recommend FAVORABLE by Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Rodrigues. Motion carried unanimously.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#3 on agenda

Comments by Councilor Eaniri
(re discussions with Mayor, in favor of this)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(background on towing, 18 companies used on a rotating schedule, ordinance is 15, use to be 24 now is at 18, new ordinance would add to 20)

Comments by Councilor Monahan
(interested in postponement and all that is going on)

Comments by Councilor Eaniri
(no problem from the Chief in hearing at a further meeting as well)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(clear to add increase, would adding additional companies be a detriment or benefit and why?)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(no new companies added in 20 years)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(every year they apply?)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(preference to existing holders, no vacancies in many years, 18 are separate companies)

Comments by Councilor Monahan
(why we are adding new companies, why are we doing this)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(all 18 are called, 140 each a year, would drop to about 125 each per year)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(spreading the wealth)

Comments by Councilor Rodrigues
(increasing by 2 might not be enough, sustainability, employment, interested in asking the Mayor about the planning of this)

Comments by Councilor Nicastro
(list, entities all belong to the same company)

Comments by Captain McNulty

(shared locations)

Comments by Councilor Nicastro
(openings for new companies, any investigations?)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(haven't had any new applications since he has been employed)

Comments by Councilor Thompson
(rules and regulations)

Comments by Captain McNulty
(12 page document, in place)

Comments by Councilor Nicastro
(requests copies)

Motion to POSTPONE to next Ordinance Meeting by Motion of Councilor Monahan, 2nd by Councilor Nicastro. Motion carried unanimously.

Next the Committee considered the following:

#3 on agenda

Comments by Legislative Counsel
(re license classes and fees to be added to the ordinance)

Comments by Councilor Nicastro
(double check the section refence)

Legislative Counsel to inquire from the clerk's office for section reference.

Motion to recommend FAVORABLE by Motion of Councilor Rodrigues, 2nd by Councilor Monahan. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting to be scheduled for 6pm on October 26, 2021 at City Council Chambers.

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Rodrigues, 2nd by Councilor Monahan at 7:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.