

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

The Standing Committee on Finance will meet on *Tuesday, June 21st, 2022 at 7:00 PM* in the *Council Chambers, Brockton City Hall, 45 School Street*, to consider the following:

Public Hearing:

1. WHEREAS, the City Council adopted an order on July 25, 2016 approving the March 8, 2016 Urban Renewal Plan prepared by A.G. Jennings, LLC and Stantec as an Urban Renewal Plan prepared in accordance with M.G.L. c. 121B and 760 CMR 12.00 and approved the boundaries of the Downtown Urban Revitalization Plan as depicted in Map 1 in the Plan; and WHEREAS, there exists a need to amend the 2016 Urban Renewal Plan to facilitate further development and redevelopment in designated areas in the City to reflect the current status, progress and priorities in the City of Brockton.

ORDERED: That the City Council hereby adopt the amended Downtown Urban Revitalization Plan dated April 15, 2022 attached as Exhibit A. This Order authorizes the Mayor to approve minor, non-substantive language changes in the amended Downtown Urban Revitalization Plan if such changes are recommended by the Department of Housing and Community Development or MEPA Office. This Order shall take effect upon its final approval by the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Invited: Robert Jenkins, Executive Director, BRA

Philip Griffin, Chairman

Rob May, Director of Planning and Economic Development

Megan Bridges, City Solicitor

Public Hearing Closed

2. Ordered: That the City Council authorize the re-authorization of the Comcast Revolving Fund for FY2023, 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 2023.

Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

3. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$190,596.00.

From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs- Formula Grant

To: Department of Council on Aging- Formula Grant Fund

(These grant funds will be used to fund the Council on Aging and dispersed in the following manner: salary including overtime, energy, department equipment repair, printing, office supplies, and registration, memberships and subscriptions.)

Invited: Janice Fitzgerald, Director

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

4. Ordered: That the City Council authorize the re-authorization of the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund for the Fiscal Year 2023 for the sole purposes of funding the creation and maintenance of The Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund shall receive the receipts of payments of fines and fees for the engineering, design, construction and paving of projects. Expenditures from the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Brockton Department of Public Works Commissioner, provided that no more than \$1,000,000 may be so expended from the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund during fiscal year 2023. The Brockton Department of Public Works Commissioner shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch. 44, Section 53E1/2.

Invited: Pat Hill, DPW Commissioner

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

5. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows: Transfer of: \$2,000,000.00

From: Certified Free Cash

To: Pension Stabilization Fund

Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

6. Ordered: That the City Council authorize the re-authorization of the Demolition Revolving Fund for the FY2023 for the sole purpose of helping to fund cost in connection with 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 FY2023. The Building Superintendent shall comply with reporting requirement of M.G.L., Chapter 44, Section 53E ½.

Invited: James Plouffe, Superintendent of Buildings

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

7. Ordered: That the City Council authorize 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. The Vacant and Abandoned Building Revolving 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 Buildings Revolving Fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Building Superintendent, provided that no 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 the FY23. The Building Superintendent shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

Invited: James Plouffe, Superintendent of Buildings

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

8. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows: Transfer of: \$21,271.00
From: Parking Authority- Capital
To: Parking Authority- Snow Removal
Invited: Eric Akesson, Executive Director
Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer
9. Ordered: The City accepts the fourth paragraph of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, which allows the dedication, without further appropriation, of all, or a percentage not less than 25 percent, of particular fees, charges or receipts to a stabilization fund established under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, to be effective for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

10. Ordered: To see if the city will dedicate all or a percentage, which may not be less than 25 percent, of the community impact fees, including but not limited to medical and recreational fees, collected under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 94G and related Host Community Agreements to the Community Impact Stabilization Fund established under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, effective for fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2022, or take any other action relative thereto.

Invited: Troy Clarkson Chief Financial Officer

11. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows: Transfer of: \$185,000.00
From: Certified Free Cash
To: Education- Collaborative Programs Southeastern Regional School
Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

12. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows: Transfer of: \$750,000
From: Cable Revolving Fund
To: Brockton Public School – Facilities Revolving Account
(This transfer will be used for the renovations to the Brockton High School’s Auditorium.)

Invited: Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

13. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$50,000
From: 2022 Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS) of Massachusetts National Fitness Campaign- FY22 National Fitness Campaign Grant
To: Parks and Recreation Department- FY22 National Fitness Campaign Grant Fund
(These grant funds will be used by the Parks and Recreation Department to renovate Tukis Playground into a Fitness Court to meet the differing needs of a shifting community.)

Invited: Tim Carpenter, Superintendent of Parks

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

14. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$2,617.00.

From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)- FY2021-22 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant

To: Emergency Management Agency Department- FY2021-22 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant Fund
(These grant funds will be used by the Emergency Management Department to purchase office supplies and materials to be used for planning purposes.)

Invited: Stephan Hooke, Director

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

15. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$8,605.00

From: Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South-Nancy Lieberman Charities Grant

To: The Brockton Police Department-Nancy Lieberman Charities Grant Fund
(This donation will fund two weeks of a Junior Cadet program for Brockton youth between the ages of 14 and 16 this summer.)

Invited: Michelle St. James, Grant Coordinator, BPD

Brenda Perez, Acting Chief of Police

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

16. Resolved: To have an Ad Hoc committee made up of the City Clerk, the Chief Financial Officer and the City Auditor, or their designees, investigate the compensation and staffing levels of the Mayor's Office, City Council and School Committees of similar Gateway Cities to the City of Brockton in size and scope in Massachusetts.

Invited: Tim Cruise, City Clerk

Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer

Karen Preval, City Auditor

17. Resolved: To have an Ad Hoc committee made up of the City Clerk, the Elections Commissioner and the City Solicitor, or their designees, research and define the process for possible changes to the term of office for City Government in the City of Brockton. Be it further resolved to have this committee examine other cities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as to their City Charters and lengths of terms of office.

Invited: Tim Cruise, City Clerk

Cynthia Scrivani, Executive Director

Megan Bridges, City Solicitor

18. Resolve: To invite Scott Mercer, the Executive Director of Brockton Community Access to appear before the Finance Committee of the Brockton City Council to discuss his role at BCA and his plans for the city's community tv access services.

Invited: Scott Mercer, Executive Director, BCA