

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Brockton City Council will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, 2nd. Fl., City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA.

1. Acceptance of the Minutes of the September 26, 2022 City Council meeting.

REPORTS:

2. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of October 3, 2022.

COMMUNICATIONS:

3. From the Chief of Police requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY 23 State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant for the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security/State 911 Department in the amount of \$568,038.00.
4. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$568,038.00 from... COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY STATE 911 DEPARTMENT-FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT SUPPORT AND INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM to.....BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT-FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT SUPPORT AND INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will be used to backfill ETD and police dispatcher wages and fund overtime. Funds will also be used to purchase dispatch equipment for the Brockton Police Department. There is no match required for this grant.
5. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$568,038.00 from...COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY STATE 911 DEPARTMENT-FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT SUPPORT AND INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM to.....BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT- FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT SUPPORT AND INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM FUND without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
6. From the Chief of Police requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY 23 State 911 Department Training Grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security /State 911 Department in the amount of \$289,148.94.
7. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$298,148.94 from... COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY STATE 911 DEPARTMENT-FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM to.....BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT- FY23 STATE 911 DEPARTMENT TRAINING GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will be used to reimburse overtime for ETDs, police officers and Fire Department Emergency Medical Dispatch personnel to attend sixteen hours of mandatory E911 continuing education training for annual certification, to pay State 911 Department approved certified training vendors to conduct classes at the Brockton Police Department, to purchase training materials and to pay the class fees for officers to conduct online training if necessary. There is no match required for this grant.

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9. From the Director of Social Services requesting the City Council accept the Massachusetts Collaborative for Action, Leadership, and Learning 3 (MassCALL3) Substance Misuse Prevention grant in the total amount of \$491,666.00 (\$125,000.00 July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023/ \$366,666.00 July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024) with an anticipated contract duration of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2029 from the Department of Public Health's Bureau of Substance Addition Services. The funding will be managed by the Brockton Area Prevention Collaborative (Brockton High Point Treatment Center). This funding will be used to support and continue programs that aid in preventing substance use within youth, through educational programming and opportunities. This funding will also be used to prevent opioid specific misuse and addiction through training community entities and business on overdose prevention and the administration of Naloxone. The city will not be supplying a grant match.
10. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$125,000 from... COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S BUREAU OF SUBSTANCE ADDICTION SERVICES -FY23 MASSACHUSETTS COLLABORATIVE FOR ACTION, LEADERSHIP, AND LEARNING 3 (MASSCALL3) SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM to..... MAYOR'S OFFICE- FY23 MASSACHUSETTS COLLABORATIVE FOR ACTION, LEADERSHIP, AND LEARNING 3 (MASSCALL3) SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will be managed by the Brockton Area Prevention Collaborative (Brockton High Point Treatment Center). This funding will be used to support and continue programs that aid in preventing substance use within youth, through educational programming and opportunities. This funding will also be used to prevent opioid specific misuse and addiction through training community entities and business on overdose prevention and the administration of Naloxone. The city will not be supplying a grant match.
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12. From the Chief of Fire informing the City Council that the Brockton Fire Department has been awarded a FY 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant in the amount of four million seven hundred seventy-seven thousand four hundred sixteen dollars and sixteen cents (\$4,777,416.16) from the Federal Emergency Agency (FEMA). This is a non-match grant with no cost to the city. A request from the Brockton Fire department to accept and expend the four million seven hundred seventy-seven thousand four hundred sixteen dollars and sixteen cents (\$4,777,416.16). This grant will staff sixteen (16) new firefighter positions for the next three years through the Federal FEMA funds.

13. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$4,777,416.16 from... FEDERAL EMERGENCY AGENCY (FEMA) -FY23 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT to..... BROCKTON FIRE DEPARTMENT- FY23 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will staff sixteen (16) new firefighter positions for the next three years through the Federal FEMA funds. This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the city.
14. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$4,777,416.16 from...FEDERAL EMERGENCY AGENCY (FEMA) - FY23 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT to..... BROCKTON FIRE DEPARTMENT- FY23 STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM FUND without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The SAFER Grant is highly competitive and presents a rare opportunity to fully fund sixteen (16) positions in the Brockton Fire Department. In the past, SAFER Grants required a match from the city. Now, these grants fully fund all costs for these positions, including salary and benefits.
15. From the Director of Social Services requesting the City Council accept the Prevention in Early Childhood SOR grant in the amount of \$300,000.00(\$112,500.00 September 30,2022 through September 29,2023/\$150,000.00 September 30,2023 through September 29, 2024/ \$37,500.00 September 30,2024 through June 30, 2025) from the Department of Public Health's Bureau of Substance Addiction Services. The funding will be managed by the Brockton Area Prevention Collaborative (Brockton High Point Treatment Center). This funding will be used to support and continue multi-faceted prevention services that are directed to the age range of children from prenatal to 5 years, that have a parent or caregiver with a history of substance use/addiction, including those currently in treatment and recovery, the parents and caregivers of these children, pre-school and/or school settings, as well as social service and early childhood service providing agencies. The city will not be supplying a grant match.
16. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$112,500 from... COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S BUREAU OF SUBSTANCE ADDICTION SERVICES-FY23 PREVENTION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD SOR GRANT PROGRAM to..... MAYOR'S OFFICE - FY23 PREVENTION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD SOR GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will be managed by the Brockton Area Prevention Collaborative (Brockton High Point Treatment Center). This funding will be used to support and continue multi-faceted prevention services that are directed to the age range of children from prenatal to 5 years, that have a parent or caregiver with a history of substance use/addiction, including those currently in treatment and recovery, the parents and caregivers of these children, pre-school and/or school settings, as well as social service and early childhood service providing agencies. The city will not be supplying a grant match.
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18. From the Director of Planning and Economic Development informing the City Council that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has awarded the City of Brockton a Municipal Vulnerability Program (MVP) Grant to prepare 30% design documents and drawings for nature-based flood control measures along Trout Brook in furtherance of the Trout Brook Urban Renewal Plan. This \$157,300 MVP grant will require a local match of \$54,000. Our intention is to use a US EPA SNEP grant to fund the match.

19. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$157,300 from... COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS-FY23 COMMONWEALTH'S MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY GRANT PROGRAM to.....PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT- FY23 COMMONWEALTH'S MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY GRANT PROGRAM FUND. These grant funds will be used to prepare 30% design documents and drawings for nature-based flood control measures along Trout Brook in furtherance of the Trout Brook Urban Renewal Plan. This grant will require a local match of \$54,000.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

21. Reappointment of Daniel Campbell, 16 Belcher Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301 as a Constable in the City of Brockton for a term of three (3) years. (FAVORABLE)

22. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$500,000.
 From: Executive Office of Health and Human Services- FY23 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant
 To: Brockton Police Department – FY23 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant Fund
 (These grant funds will be used for street outreach, case management, behavioral health, and tiered employment services for a targeted group of individuals aged 17-24 between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023. There is no match required for this grant.)
 (FAVORABLE)

23. Resolve: WHEREAS, The City of Brockton has formally adopted a Poet Laureate and Youth Poet Laureate Honorary positions;
 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:
 The Poet Laureate, Phillip Hasouris, and Youth Poet Laureate Hannah Baptiste, be invited to address the Finance Committee of the City Council with a selection of poetry and to outline future events for the Poet Laureate and Youth Poet Laureate.
 (FAVORABLE)

ORDINANCES:

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 21-7 – "Rates and charges" shall be amended in subsection (1) by striking the words "two dollars (\$2.00)" and inserting in its place "three dollars and sixty cents

(\$3.60)” and by striking the words “thirty-five cents (\$0.35)” and inserting in its place “forty cents (\$0.40).” Be it further amended in subsection (2) by striking the words “thirty-five cents (\$0.35) and inserting in its place “forty cents (\$0.40)”. Be it further amended that Section 21-15 – “Safety shields” shall be deleted in its entirety.

ORDERS:

25. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$568,038.00.
From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security State 911 Department- FY23 State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant Program
To: Brockton Police Department – FY23 State 911 Support and Incentive Grant Program Fund
(These grant funds will be used to backfill ETD and police dispatcher wages and fund overtime. Funds will also be used to purchase dispatch equipment for the Brockton Police Department. There is no match required for this grant.)
26. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$298,148.94.
From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security State 911 Department- FY23 State 911 Department Training Grant Program
To: Brockton Police Department – FY23 State 911 Department Training Grant Program Fund
(These grant funds will be used to reimburse overtime for ETDs, police officers and Fire Department Emergency Medical Dispatch personnel to attend sixteen hours of mandatory E911 continuing education training for annual certification, to pay State 911 Department approved certified training vendors to conduct classes at the Brockton Police Department, to purchase training materials and to pay the class fees for officers to conduct online training if necessary. There is no match required for this grant.)
27. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$125,000.
From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health’s Bureau of Substance Addiction Services-FY23 Massachusetts Collaborative for Action, Leadership, and Learning 3 (MassCALL3) Substance Misuse Prevention Grant
To: Mayor’s Office- FY23 Massachusetts Collaborative for Action, Leadership, and Learning 3 (MassCALL3) Substance Misuse Prevention Grant Fund
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28. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$4,777,416.16.
From: Federal Emergency Agency (FEMA)-FY23 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant
To: Brockton Fire Department- FY23 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Fund
(These grant funds will staff sixteen (16) new firefighter positions for the next three years through the Federal FEMA funds. This is a non-matching grant with no cost to the city.)
29. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$112,500.
From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health’s Bureau of Substance Addiction Services-FY23 Prevention in Early Childhood SOR Grant Program
To: Mayor’s Office- FY23 Prevention in Early Childhood SOR Grant Program Fund

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30. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$157,300.

From: Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs-FY23 Commonwealth's Municipal Vulnerability Program

To: Planning and Economic Development Department-FY23 Commonwealth's Municipal Vulnerability Program Fund.

(These grant funds will be used to prepare 30% design documents and drawings for nature-based flood control measures along Trout Brook in furtherance of the Trout Brook Urban Renewal Plan. This grant will require a local match of \$54,000.)

RESOLVES:

31. Resolve: **BE IT RESOLVED**, that Members of the Brockton Interfaith Community leadership team or their designees, be invited to come before the Finance Committee to discuss "Blueprint for a Welcoming Brockton" and to provide additional information regarding the event scheduled on October 20, 2022 at the Joseph F. Plouffe Academy school.

32. Resolve: **In Support of the Fair Share Amendment**

WHEREAS, Massachusetts needed new investments in our transportation and public education systems even before the COVID-19 pandemic, and those investments are needed more than ever to lift our economy into an equitable and long-lasting recovery;

WHEREAS, the best way to help working families and rebuild a strong economy for us all is to make sure that we have quality public schools for our children, affordable public higher education, and a reliable transportation system; and

WHEREAS, for Massachusetts to compete against other regions around the nation and the globe, we need modern, reliable transportation: safer roads and bridges, public transportation that works, and safe ways to walk and bike around town; and

WHEREAS, Brockton has overdue road repair and replacement projects; and

WHEREAS, students need a well-rounded education, founded on a rich and varied curriculum that includes science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), music, art, and athletics; and

WHEREAS, major investments in public education are needed to help students recover academically, socially, and emotionally from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, tuitions and fees at our public colleges are among the highest in the country, forcing students to take on enormous debt just to receive a degree; and

WHEREAS, new state revenue is necessary to rebuild crumbling roads and bridges, improve our public schools from Pre-K through college, expand access to vocational and technical training, invest in fast and reliable public transportation, make public higher education affordable again, and expand opportunities for healthy walking and bicycling; and

WHEREAS, wealthy Massachusetts residents saw their investments grow during the pandemic while working families struggled, and Massachusetts' wealthiest residents should pay their fair share to support our communities and grow our economy.

THEREFORE, let it be resolved that **BROCKTON CITY COUNCIL** supports the proposed Fair Share Amendment that would create an additional tax of four percentage points on annual income above one million dollars and dedicate the funds raised by this tax to quality public education, affordable public colleges, and universities, and for the repair and maintenance of roads, bridges, and public transportation.

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.