

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday December 1, 2022
6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
Second floor
City Hall, 45 School St.
Brockton, MA 02301

1. Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF BROCKTON.

PREAMBLE: It is the policy of the city to assure that every individual shall have equal access to and benefit from all public services, to protect every individual in the enjoyment and exercise of civil rights and to encourage and bring about mutual understanding and respect among all individuals of the city. It is the goal of the Human Rights Commission to ensure that all city residents are treated fairly and equally by eliminating bigotry, discrimination, intolerance and prejudice.

MEMBERSHIP: The Human Rights Commission shall consist of seven (7) members, all of whom shall be residents of the city during their term of appointment.

The mayor shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the city council, persons to serve for a period of three (3) years or until a successor is appointed and qualified. The mayor shall designate a chairperson to preside at meetings of the commission.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Human Rights Commission shall have, as its principal responsibilities: (1) To ensure that all city residents are treated fairly and equally by constantly striving to eliminate bigotry, discrimination, intolerance & prejudice. (2) To facilitate the exchange of information to residents in the areas of education, employment, economic and business development, and city services. (3) To foster enhanced partnerships between public safety departments and residents. (4) To recommend to the mayor and city council programs and services which enhance the quality of life for all residents. (5) To publish information accessible by the city's diverse communities regarding city, federal and state grants and programs which contribute to the health, safety, and economic stability of our residents. (6) To network with community-based organizations with the goal of sharing information, awareness of city services and programs, and economic assistance to residents. (7) The commission shall submit in February of each year to the city council, an annual

report detailing its activities for the prior calendar year and stating its policy recommendations and legislative recommendations to all departments, divisions and agencies of the city, including the mayor and city council.

This Ordinance shall take effect ninety (90) days after approval to allow for appointment and confirmation of members of the commission.

Invited to Attend:

Councilor-at-Large Winthrop Farwell, Jr.
Jacqueline Murphy, Diversity Commission

2. Ordinance: An Ordinance Amending Article III, Section 2-146 – Compensation – School Committee members elected by Ward

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton, Article III, Section 2-146, is hereby amended by striking the words “five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00)” and inserting in its place. “fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00).” The language “The amendment shall be effective January 1, 2018” shall be amended to reflect a new effective date of January 1, 2024.

Invited to Attend:

Councilor-at-Large Moises Rodrigues

3. 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.

Invited to Attend:

Councilor Jeffrey Thompson, Ward 5

4. Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton as follows: Chapter II, Article 3, Division 8 “Superintendent of Public Buildings” of the Ordinances of the City of Brockton is hereby amended by inserting the following section where appropriate: There is hereby established an Inspectional Services Department (ISD) within the Building Department. The executive and administrative head shall be the Superintendent of Public Buildings as the building commissioner, hereinafter the “commissioner.” Inspectors within the building department and health department shall be under the daily supervision of the commissioner. For the purposes of this ordinance, the word “inspector” shall mean a person employed or compensated pursuant to a contractual agreement whose duties include the enforcement of laws, regulations and

ordinances related to the state building code, state health code, laws of the commonwealth or ordinances of the City of Brockton. The mayor, at his discretion, may appoint a “chief of inspections” or “inspectional services coordinator,” or person of similar title, who shall supervise the inspectional personnel and report to the commissioner. The person so appointed shall be compensated as determined by city ordinance. The appointment shall be confirmed by the city council. The person appointed by the mayor shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 2-110 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton. However, where equal qualifications exist as determined by the mayor, a resident of the City of Brockton shall be given preference for appointment. The commissioner shall be responsible for the following duties and responsibilities which include, but are not limited to:(1) Assign daily and weekly duties to inspectors to ensure all laws, regulations and ordinances are fairly, consistently, and uniformly enforced. (2) Enforce provisions of the zoning code, including stipulations imposed by the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board, or other regulatory board.(3) File a quarterly report with the mayor and city council which shall contain, but not be limited to, the number of complaints filed for the quarter, the number of complaints filed for the year to date, a comparison with previous years, the status of the complaints, and any specific problems encountered with the zoning ordinance and any recommendations for correction of such problems.(4) By March 1st of each calendar year, file a report with the city clerk and city council with recommendations for additions or amendments to city ordinances to improve code enforcement.

Invited to Attend:

- Councilor-at-Large Winthrop Farwell, Jr.
- Mayor Robert Sullivan or designee
- Solicitor Megan Bridges or designee
- Executive Health Officer Dr. Eno Mondesir or Designee
- Inspector of Buildings/Superintendent of Buildings James Plouffe
- Fire Chief Brian Nardelli
- Deputy Fire Chief Edward Williams

5. Ordinance: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 2-127 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BROCKTON

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Brockton as follows:

Article III, Section 127 of the Ordinances of the City of Brockton is hereby amended by inserting the following:

CATEGORY	Position	Min	2	3	4
PR-2	Inspectional Services Coordinator/ Chief of Inspections	\$83,130	\$87,287	\$91,651	\$96,233

Invited to Attend:

Councilor-at-Large Winthrop Farwell, Jr.
Chief Financial Officer, Troy Clarkson