

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be held on Monday evening March 25, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA.

1. Acceptance of the Minutes of the March 11, 2024 City Council meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

2. Reappointment of Ms. Jeanne Fuller-Jones, of 54 Cushing Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301, to serve on the Council on Aging as a member for a three (3) year term, expiring April 2027.
3. Reappointment of Ms. Joyce Forand-Voorhis, of 1366 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Conservation Commission as a member for a three (3) year term, ending March 2027.

HEARINGS:

4. Petition of LV14 Autobody/Silvestre Vaz of 34 Blue Hill Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119 for a Motor Vehicle Repair Mechanical License and Motor Vehicle Repair Body License transfer located at 71 Plain Street, Brockton, MA 02301.
5. Petition of Youssef Jichi/YJ Automotive LLC of 682 Plain Street, Marshfield, MA 02050, for the Motor Vehicle Repair License Mechanical transfer located at 359 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301.
6. Petition of David Lynch of 30 Quincy Street, Brockton, MA 02302, for a Garage License located at 24-32 Knapp Center Brockton, MA 02301.
7. Petition of Solid Realty LLC (Yauheni Mychko) of 23 Williams Rd. Holbrook, MA 02343 for a Garage License transfer located at 967 Montello Street Brockton, MA 02301.

REPORTS:

8. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of March 18, 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS:

9. From the Mayor reappointing Ms. Jeanne Fuller-Jones, of 54 Cushing Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301, to serve on the Council on Aging as a member for a three (3) year term, expiring April 2027.
10. From the Mayor reappointing Ms. Joyce Forand-Voorhis, of 1366 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Conservation Commission as a member for a three (3) year term, ending March 2027.
11. From the Chief of Police requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY24 Critical Incident Stress Management Program from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Office of Grants and Research in the amount of \$31,000.00.
12. From the BPD Grant Writer requesting that the enclosed grant award documents be processed to allow the City of Brockton to expend funds authorized under the FY24 Critical Incident Stress Management Program Grant for \$31,000.00. The grant funds will be used for continued training for the Peer Support Team and supplies to support officers' mental health.

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 \$31,000 from the Executive office of Public Safety and Security to the City of Brockton Police Department.
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 \$31,000 from the Executive office of Public Safety and Security to the City of Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The funds will be used for continued training for the Peer Support team and supplies to support officers' mental health.
15. 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 Earmark in the amount of \$100,000.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to the City of Brockton. The earmark funds will be used to fund substance use and harm reduction services. There is no match required.
16. 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 Earmark in the amount of \$100,000.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to the City of Brockton, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. This is direct funding from the legislature to be put toward substance use and harm reduction services. There is no match required.
17. From the Chief of Police requesting acceptance of the enclosed money order for \$25.00 made payable to the Brockton Police Department from Tonea DeAndrade that was given to the department as a generous donation.
18. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$25.00 from Tonea DeAndrade to the Brockton Police Department.
19. 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 a donation in the amount of \$25.00 from Tonea DeAndrade to the Brockton Police Department, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

20. Appointment of Ms. Chrislane Bonny, of 320 Prospect Street, Brockton MA, 02301, to serve on the Elections Commission for a four (4) year term, ending February 2028.
(FAVORABLE)
21. Ordered: That the City of Brockton appropriates the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) to pay costs of a feasibility study related to options for reconstructing the existing Brockton High School, and/or construction of a new Brockton High School, at 470 Forest Avenue, in Brockton, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of School Building Committee. To meet this appropriation

the City Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority. The City acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any costs the City incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City, and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this order shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Feasibility Study Agreement that may be executed between the City and the MSBA. Further Ordered: That the City Treasurer is authorized to file an application with The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under M.G.L. c. 44A any and all bonds or notes of the City authorized by this vote, and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Municipal Finance Oversight Board of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts may require.

(FAVORABLE)

22. Ordered: That the City Council votes to adopt and accept the provisions of M.G.L. ch. 40 §32A relative to publication of ordinances. Adoption of M.G.L. ch. 40 §32A will allow for publication of ordinances by the city council in a municipal bulletin or printed pamphlet, except for zoning ordinances or amendment thereto, which will require a summary published at least two times in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

(FAVORABLE)

23. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$50,000

FROM: THE DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
\$50,000

TO: THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
\$50,000

(FAVORABLE)

24. Ordered: That the City Council votes to adopt and accept the provisions of M.G.L. ch. 60 §3F relative to voluntary donation(s) to the City's veterans' funds. Adoption of M.G.L. ch. 60 §3F will allow for the City to designate a place on its municipal property tax bills or motor vehicle excise bills or mail with such bills a separate form whereby taxpayers of the City may voluntarily check off, donate and pledge an amount of money above the amount due on their tax/motor vehicle excise bill to contribute to the City's veterans' assistance funds. The veterans' assistance funds shall be under the supervision of the City's Veterans' Service Department. (FAVORABLE)

25. 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: \$1,250,000

FROM: OVERLAY SURPLUS
POLICE DEPARTMENT- FULL TIME SALARIES NON-OT

\$1,200,000
\$50,000

TO: LAW DEPARTMENT- COURT JUDGEMENTS
\$1,250,000

This transfer will be to fund a court settlement for a recently settled lawsuit.
(FAVORABLE)

26. Resolve: WHEREAS, The traffic pattern for Warren Avenue between Spring Street and Belmont Street will eventually be modified as part of the new Public Safety Campus at Warren Avenue and West Elm Streets.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

DPW Commissioner Patrick Hill be invited to a meeting of the council to discuss the details and work necessary to accomplish the project objectives. (FAVORABLE)

27. Resolve: WHEREAS, The recruitment of professional, competent candidates for appointment to the police department is of critical importance for the public safety of the city;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Police Chief Brenda Perez and other appropriate staff be invited to a meeting of the City Council to discuss issues relating to the recruitment and retention of police candidates. (FAVORABLE)

ORDERS:

28. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$31,000

FROM: THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY \$31,000
FY2024 COMMONWEALTH CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

TO: THE POLICE DEPARTMENT \$31,000

29. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the Earmark in the amount of \$100,000.00.

From: Massachusetts Department of Public Health

To: The City of Brockton

(The earmark funds will be used to fund substance use and harm reduction services. There is no matched required.)

30. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$25.00

From: Tonea DeAndrade

To: The Brockton Police Department

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.