

In City Council May 13, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be held on Monday evening May 13, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA.

1. Acceptance of the Minutes of the April 22, 2024 City Council meeting.

APPOINTMENTS:

2. Reappointment of Mr. Steve Lainas, of 5 Rock Meadow Drive, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Brockton Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term, ending May 2027.
3. Reappointment of Mr. Matthew Stanton, of 160 Tribou Street, Brockton, MA 02301, as a member of the Brockton Beautification Committee for a three (3) year term, ending May 2027.
4. Appointment of Mr. Matthew Gallagher, of 15 Vinedale Road, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Brockton Planning Board for a five (5) year term, ending May 2029.
5. Appointment of the following retired officers as Special Police Officers:
Charles J. Cassiani, Jr.
Andrew Cesarini
Hermer E. Cole
William Healy
Thomas Keating
Kenneth Lofstrom
Donald J. Mills, Jr.
Callie H. Royster, Jr.
Robert Smith
Scott D. Uhlman

HEARINGS:

6. Petition of Francis Fistori of 11 Gilberts Way, Norton, MA 02766, for a Garage License located at 528 N. Montello Street, Brockton, MA 02301(New Construction).
7. Petition of Zailah Inc. DBA Mario's Car Care/Marwan Elzailah of 35 Crocker Ave., Brockton, MA 02302, for the Motor Vehicle Repair License Mechanical Transfer located at 642 Main Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

REPORTS:

8. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of April 16, 2024.
9. Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of May 6, 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS:

10. From the Mayor advising that in accordance with the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton Chapter 2, Section 2-186 appointing Zachary Lenhardt to the position of Assistant City Solicitor-Full time for a three-year term, effective April 29th, 2024.
11. From the Mayor notifying the City Council that Mr. Clarence Hassan, of 14 Ridge Hill Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301 is resigning from the Brockton Planning Board, effective May 1, 2024.
12. From the Mayor reappointing Mr. Steve Lainas, of 5 Rock Meadow Drive, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Brockton Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term, ending May 2027.

13. From the Mayor reappointing Mr. Matthew Stanton, of 160 Tribou Street, Brockton, MA 02301, as a member of the Brockton Beautification Committee for a three (3) year term, ending May 2027.
14. From the Mayor appointing Mr. Matthew Gallagher, of 15 Vinedale Road, Brockton, MA 02301, to the Brockton Planning Board for a five (5) year term, ending May 2029.
15. From the Mayor appointing the following retired officers as Special Police Officers:
 - Charles J. Cassiani, Jr.
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 - William Healy
 - Thomas Keating
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 - Donald J. Mills, Jr.
 - Callie H. Royster, Jr.
 - Robert Smith
 - Scott D. Uhlman
16. From the Emergency Management Director requesting that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$4,932 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency.
17. 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 \$4,932 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency.
18. 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 \$4,932 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The funds will be used to purchase fifty-three (53) CERT kits and fifty (53) CERT safety vests to be utilized by the Community Emergency Response Team.
19. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Cable Revolving Fund for FY25.
20. 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 re-authorization of the Cable Revolving Fund for FY25, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
21. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the transfer of \$7,947,925.

FROM: CERTIFIED FREE CASH	\$7,947,925
TO: THE CHAPTER 324 SUPPLEMENTAL RESERVE	\$7,947,925

 This transfer will replenish the Chapter 324 Reserve after it was depleted in order to cover the school deficit.
22. 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 total proposed transfer of \$7,947,925, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

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23. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Demolition Revolving Fund.
24. 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 re-authorization of the Demolition Revolving Fund, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
25. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Economic Development Revolving Fund.
26. 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 re-authorization of the Economic Development Revolving Fund without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
27. From the Emergency Management Director requesting that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$51,480 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency.
28. 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 \$51,480 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency.
29. 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 \$51,480 from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to the City of Brockton Emergency Management Agency, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The funds will be used to purchase ten (10) Motorola APX6000 portable radios, related equipment and five (5) additional batteries.
30. 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 \$147,500 from the Executive office of Housing and Livable Communities to the City of Brockton Planning Department.
31. 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 \$147,500 from the Executive office of Housing and Livable Communities to the City of Brockton Planning Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The funds will be used to create a Master Plan for the heart of the historic Montello Station area and drafting new zoning to support the plan.
32. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund.

33. From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that it is my professional opinion, after an evaluation of all pertinent financial information reasonably available, that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the re-authorization of the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
34. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council accepts the lease agreement entered into with U.S Bank Equipment Finance. Said lease agreement shall run for a three-year term July 2024 through June 2027. The Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said Lease Agreement.
35. 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 lease agreement entered into with U.S Bank Equipment Finance, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
36. From the Acting Superintendent of Schools requesting that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$50,000 from the Department of Conservation and Recreation to Brockton Public Schools.
37. 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 \$50,000 from the Department of Conservation and Recreation to Brockton Public Schools.
38. 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 Earmark in the amount of \$50,000 from the Department of Conservation and Recreation to Brockton Public Schools, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. The funds will be used for the renovation of tennis courts into basketball courts at the Davis Elementary School park area.
39. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Transportation Program Revolving Fund.
40. 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 re-authorization of the Transportation Program Revolving Fund, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.
41. From the Director of Veterans Services requesting that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$161 from the Stop and Shop Community Bag Program to the Veterans' Services Department.
42. 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 \$161 from the Stop and Shop Community Bag Program to the Veterans' Services Department.
43. 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 \$161 from the Stop and Shop Community Bag Program to the Veterans'

Services Department, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

44. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council re-authorize the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund.
45. 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 re-authorization of the Vacant and Abandoned Buildings Revolving Fund, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

46. Appointment of Mr. Nicholas Palantzas, of 80 Weston Street, Brockton, MA 02301, to serve as a member of the Brockton Parking Authority for a five (5) year term, March 2029. (FAVORABLE)
47. Reappointment of Mr. Miles Jackson, of 25 Stearns Avenue, Brockton, MA 02302, to the War Memorial Building Board of Trustees for a three (3) year term, ending April 2027. (FAVORABLE)
48. Reappointment of Mr. Ryan Burke, of 81 Rockford Street, Brockton, MA 02301, to the War Memorial Building Board of Trustees for a three (3) year term, ending April 2027. (FAVORABLE)
49. 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: \$20,000

FROM: HUMAN RESOURCES- EMPLOYEE BENEFITS- CONTRACTUAL UNION COSTS	\$20,000
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TO: ANIMAL CONTROL – PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT	\$20,000
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This transfer will be used to cover union contractual agreements. (FAVORABLE)

50. 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: \$50,000

FROM: PUBLIC PROPERTY- NET SCHOOL SPENDING	\$50,000
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TO: PUBLIC PROPERTY- OTHER CONTRACT SERVICES	
\$50,000	

This transfer will be to cover anticipated expenses for the Campanelli Stadium. (FAVORABLE)

51. 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: \$1,000,000

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT – PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT	\$200,000
FIRE DEPARTMENT – PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT	\$200,000

DPW HIGHWAY- PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$200,000
MAYOR- PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$200,000
CITY CLERK- PERSONAL SERVICE NON-OT	\$100,000
DPW MAINTENANCE – GOODS AND SUPPLIES	\$100,000

TO: LAW DEPARTMENT - PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$400,000
LAW DEPARTMENT - PROPERTY INSURANCE	\$225,000
LAW DEPARTMENT - COURT JUDGEMENTS (FAVORABLE)	\$375,000

52. 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: \$500,000	
FROM: TREASURER’S DEBT - INTEREST SHORT TERM NOTES	\$500,000
TO: TREASURER- MEDICARE TAX	\$450,000
TREASURER PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT	\$50,000

This transfer will be used to cover union contractual agreements. (FAVORABLE)

53. 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: \$100,000	
FROM: AUDITOR MAIL – POSTAGE	\$50,000
AUDITOR – FULL TIME SALARIES NON-OT	\$43,000
AUDITOR- GOODS AND SUPPLIES	\$7,000
TO: AUDITOR- PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$100,000

This transfer will be used to cover unanticipated auditing expenditures for the remainder of FY24. (FAVORABLE)

54. Ordered: WHEREAS, Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990 was specifically enacted by the Legislature relative to the finances of the City of Brockton; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990 provides in part “The city council by majority vote may request such assessment, analysis or other financial information, without otherwise limiting its authority to request such, at any time it receives formal or informal notice of: (i) an expenditure which is or may be in excess of an appropriation; (ii) a condition where an allotment is or may be exceeded;”.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

(A) The city council affirms that provisions of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990 apply to the city and its departments, including the school department.

(B) Pursuant to Section 5 (d) of the Act, the chief financial officer be invited to a meeting of the council in March, 2024, to provide a detailed report on the current Fiscal Year 2024 expenditures and remaining balances in accounts for all city departments.

(C) Pursuant to Section 7 of the Act, all city departments shall immediately comply with the provisions requiring periodic reports on the allotments provided to departments for their operation as enumerated in the following language from the Act:

“...the amounts to be expended by such department or unit for such purposes during each of the five following allotment periods: July first through September thirtieth, October first through December thirty-first, January first through the last day of February, March first through April thirtieth, and May first through June thirtieth.”

(D) Notwithstanding the provisions of section “C” above, the chief financial officer shall provide a monthly report of allotments provided for the operation of

the public schools and the remaining balances in all accounts, including funds received through grants.

(E) Reports generated pursuant to Section 7 of the Act shall be filed with the City Clerk for dissemination to the members of the city council.

(F) The provisions of Section 7 relative to the joint responsibility of the city auditor and the chief financial officer shall be followed, as contained in the following provision of the Act:

“Whenever the chief financial officer or the city auditor determines that any department, board, commission, agency or other unit of city government, including the school department, will exhaust or has exhausted its time period allotment and any amounts unexpended in previous periods before the end of such time period, he shall give notice in writing to such effect to the department head or officer in charge thereof, the mayor, the city solicitor, the chief financial officer or the city auditor as appropriate, and to the city clerk who shall forthwith transmit the same to the city council and finance control board, if such board remains in existence at the time. Upon such a determination and notice thereof, the chief financial officer shall provide the foregoing officials additional reports on at least a monthly basis indicating the status of each of such accounts.”

(G) This Order shall remain in full force and effect until amended or rescinded by vote of the city council. (FAVORABLE)

55. Resolve: To invite Ms. Jazmine Bradsher, MSW, with any designees she may choose to accompany her, to appear at a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss trauma in city youth that arises from being unhoused, mental health issues, substance abuse, family disfunction, sex trafficking and other related reasons, and existing opportunities for addressing such underlying issues. (FAVORABLE)

56. Resolve: WHEREAS, There have been news media accounts of upcoming initiatives to provide restrooms and other services to unhoused populations;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The director of human services and/or other appropriate staff in the Office of the Mayor appear before a committee of the council to provide updated information on future services and the anticipated costs to the city. (FAVORABLE)

57. Resolve: Be it resolved by the Brockton City Council to invite Matthew Stanton, Chairperson of the Brockton Beautification Committee or his designee, to appear at a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss “Keep Brockton Beautiful Day” which has been scheduled by Mayor Sullivan to take place on Saturday May 18, 2024 throughout the City of Brockton. (FAVORABLE)

58. Resolve: Be it resolved by the Brockton City Council to invite Troy Clarkson, Chief Financial Officer of the City of Brockton, to appear at a meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss the FY 23 School deficiency balance of approximately \$9 Million dollars, after payment of \$7.9 Million Dollars from the City Stabilization Account and \$2 Million Dollars of certified free cash that was approved by the Council at a Special Meeting held on December 20, 2023. Be is further resolved to discuss the representation at the Special Meeting that these funds would be paid from FY24 Local Receipts and to discuss whether the City is on target to have adequate funds to satisfy this representation. (FAVORABLE)

59. Resolve: WHEREAS, Clean streets and sidewalks enhance the appearance of business and neighborhood areas, and,
WHEREAS, The Department of Public Works is specifically charged with maintenance and upkeep of these areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Commissioner Patrick Hill be invited to a meeting of the council to discuss the maintenance and cleaning of streets and sidewalks, and programs to enhance

the attractiveness of neighborhood and commercial areas in the city. (FAVORABLE)

ORDERS:

60. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$4,932

FROM: THE MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY \$4,932
HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

TO: THE BROCKTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY \$4,932

61. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize Comcast Revolving Fund for FY25, from all cash receipts from Comcast franchise fees, in excess of six hundred and seventy-five thousand (\$675,000), pursuant to the cable license contract, and that further, that the expenditure from this fund shall not exceed seven hundred and fifty (\$750,000) without further appropriation, during Fiscal Year 2025.

62. 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: \$7,947,925

FROM: CERTIFIED FREE CASH \$7,947,925

TO: THE CHAPTER 324 SUPPLEMENTAL RESERVE \$7,947,925

This transfer will replenish the Chapter 324 Reserve after it was depleted in order to cover the school deficit.

63. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize the Demolition Revolving Fund for the purpose of helping to fund cost in connection with demolition of buildings in the City of Brockton. The fund shall receive the receipts of payments of all demolition charges of the City of Brockton. Expenditures from the Demolition Revolving fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Building Superintendent, with the written approval of the Mayor, provided that no more than one hundred and ten thousand (\$110,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Demolition Revolving Fund during the FY25. The Building Superintendent shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

64. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize Economic Development Revolving Fund for FY25, for the purpose of maintaining said fund. The Economic Development Revolving Fund shall receive the receipts of payments of fines and fees for the engineering, design, construction and paving of projects. Expenditures from the Economic Development Revolving Fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Chief Financial Officer, provided that no more than five hundred thousand (\$500,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Economic Development Revolving Fund during the FY25. The Brockton Chief Financial Officer shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

65. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$51,480

FROM: THE MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY \$51,480
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

TO: THE BROCKTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY \$51,480

66. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$147,500

FROM: THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND LIVABLE COMMUNITIES

\$147,500

TO: THE CITY OF BROCKTON PLANNING DEPARTMENT

\$147,500

67. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund for the purpose of maintaining said fund. The fund shall receive the receipts of payments of fines and fees for 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 one million dollars (\$1,000,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Roadway Design and Construction Revolving Fund during the FY25. The Brockton Department of Public Works Commissioner shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

68. Ordered: That pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, § 14 and the City of Brockton's Ordinance 2-157, the City of Brockton hereby accepts the Lease Agreement entered into U.S Bank Equipment Finance. Said lease agreement for a three-year term July 2024 through June 2027. The Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said Lease Agreement.

69. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$50,000. The funds will be used for the renovation of tennis courts into basketball courts at the Davis Elementary School park area.

FROM: THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION \$50,000

TO: BROCKTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

\$50,000

70. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize Transportation Program Revolving Fund for FY25, for the purpose of maintaining the transportation of residents ages 60 and older in the City of Brockton. The Transportation Program Revolving Fund shall receive the receipts of payments of donations and fees for transportation. Expenditures from the Transportation Revolving Fund shall be made on the authority and direction of the Director of the Council on Aging, provided that no more than five hundred thousand (\$500,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Transportation Revolving Fund during the FY25. The Director of the Council on Aging shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

71. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$161.00

From: The Stop and Shop Community Bag Program

To: The Veterans' Services Department

72. Ordered: That the City Council re-authorize 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 dollars (\$250,000) may be so expended without further appropriation from the Vacant and Abandoned Building Revolving Fund during the FY25. The Building Superintendent shall comply with the reporting requirements of M.G.L., Ch 44. Section 53E ½.

RESOLVES:

73. Resolve: WHEREAS, Signature Healthcare, Brockton Hospital provides a critical link between medical care for city residents and those in other communities, and,

WHEREAS, it's important to receive an update on the progress toward reopening of the hospital, especially given the financial challenges reported by Steward Health Group;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That Fire Chief Brian Nardelli and other staff whom he may designate, a representative from the Administrator's Office of Signature Healthcare - Brockton Hospital and Building Commissioner James Plouffe appear at a meeting of the City Council to discuss progress and issues pertaining to restoration of full hospital services.

74. Resolve: Be it resolved by the Brockton City Council to invite Jennifer Sprague, Second Assistant District Attorney for the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office to appear before the Finance Committee to discuss the creation of a community court in the Brockton District courthouse, which said community court will be a restorative justice program to address low-level, quality of life offenses and will involve access to mental health counseling, drug/alcohol treatment, housing assistance, and other vital resources.

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.