

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council was held on Monday evening January 12, 2026 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with 8 members present. Councilors Griffin, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

President Lally had a moment of silence for Phillip Fleischer.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**1. Reappointment of the following retired Police Officers:**

Charles Cassiani, of 197 Winter St, Whitman, MA 02382

Andrew Cesarini, of 320 West St, Brockton, MA 02301

Hermer Cole, of 131 William Kelley Rd, Stoughton, MA 02072

Jeffrey Costello, of 140 Old Farm Rd, Bridgewater, MA 02324

Francis Czarnowski III, of 128 Newbury St, Brockton, MA 02301

William Healy, of 73 Vernon St, Middlebury, MA 02346

Brian Kirby, of 295 Center Ave, Abington, MA 02351

Daniel Leonard, of 22 Highland Ave, West Bridgewater, 02379

Kenneth Lofstrom, of 101 Church St, East Bridgewater, MA 02333

Donald Mills, of 12 Gaslight Ln, North Easton, MA 02356

Robert Smith, of 21 EJ Medeiros Way, West Bridgewater, MA 02379

Scott Uhlman, of 142 Cashman Rd, Brockton, MA 02301

Councilor Asack motioned to suspend the rules and act on it this evening and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas and “nays”; eight members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Griffin, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

Councilor Asack motioned to file for reconsideration with the wish it not prevail and was properly seconded. Reconsideration failed by a hand vote.

**2. Reappointment of the following Special School Police Officers:**

Kenyisha Cheney, of 42 George Gillespie Way, Abington, MA 02851

Rendy Jean-Louis, of 542 Crescent St, Brockton, MA 02302

Adelson Mendes, of 65 Overton St, Brockton, MA 02301

Alexander Moreta, of 770 E Ashland St, Apt. 2506, Brockton, MA 02302

Jason Mosley, of 32 Belmont Ct, Apt. 6, Brockton, MA 02301

Astrid Silva, of 40 Dunham St, Brockton, MA 02302

Eric Teixeira, of 770 E. Ashland St, Apt. 1604, Brockton, MA 02302

Daniel Vaughn, of 3 Marlin Ln, East Bridgewater, MA 02333

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Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas and “nays”; eight members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Griffin, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

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**PETITIONS:**

Petition of Beijing Yummy Garden for a license to suspend a sign at 187 Crescent St.

The Petitioner of Beijing Yummy Garden was present and explained they would like to change the new face for the Beijing Yummy Garden for the existing sign and just change the face and then they will keep the existing structure frame and the lighting. So, the only change it for the signage for Beijing Garden.

Granted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas and “nays”; eight members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Griffin, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

3. From Mayor Sullivan advising that effective December 19, 2025, Dr. Victor Sebastian has been reappointed as Acting Commissioner of Health and Huan Services for the City of Brockton pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 61A.

Accepted and placed on file

4. From Mayor Sullivan advising that in accordance with the Revised Ordinance of the City of Brockton, Chapter 2, Section 1-186, appointing Megan D. Bridges, Esq. to the position of Assistant City Solicitor- Full Time for a three-year term, effective January 2, 2026.

Accepted and placed on file

5. From the Mayor advising that in accordance with the Revised Ordinances of the City of Brockton, Subpart A, Section 60, appointing James F. O’Brien, to the position of City Solicitor - Full Time for a three-year term, effective January 6, 2026.

Accepted and placed on file

6. From the Mayor recommending the reappointment of the following retired Police Officers:

Charles Cassiani, of 197 Winter St, Whitman, MA 02382

Andrew Cesarini, of 320 West St, Brockton, MA 02301

Hermer Cole, of 131 William Kelley Rd, Stoughton, MA 02072

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Accepted and placed on file

8. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the transfer of \$35,426.00. These funds will support the Animal Control's overtime category for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Accepted and placed on file

9. 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 \$35,426.00, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds will support the Animal Control's overtime category for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Accepted and placed on file

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 \$50,000.00 from the Executive Office of Age and Independence to the Council on Aging. These funds are an earmark that will be used for the Council on Aging's Wellness Nursing Program.

Accepted and placed on file

11. 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 \$50,000.00 from the Executive Office of Age and Independence to the Council on Aging, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are an earmark that will be used for the Council on Aging's Wellness Nursing Program.

Accepted and placed on file

12. 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 \$9,750.00 from the Executive Office of Age and Independence to the Council on Aging. These funds are an earmark that will be used for the Council on Aging's Wellness Nursing Program.

Accepted and placed on file

13. 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 \$9,750.00 from the Executive Office of Age and Independence to the Council on Aging, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are an earmark that will be used for the Council on Aging's Wellness Nursing Program.

Accepted and placed on file

14. From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the proposed transfer of \$250,000.00. This appropriation provides funding for one (1) year (July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026), of a one (1) year contract.

Accepted and placed on file

15. 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 adequate to support the proposed transfer of \$250,000.00 for purposes of funding the Brockton Police Supervisor Union contract, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. This appropriation provides funding for one (1) year (July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026), of a one (1) year contract. This is a reasonable and financially sustainable settlement for the city.

Accepted and placed on file

16. From the Police Chief requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the 2025 Address Verification Program Grant award of \$12,240.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security.

Accepted and placed on file

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 \$12,240.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department. These funds are a part of the Address Verification Program and will fund overtime costs for the Sex Offender Registry Coordinator of the Brockton Police Department to conduct activity necessary to locate offenders and either verify their address or place them in violation. There is no match required.

Accepted and placed on file

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 \$12,240.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are a part of the Address Verification Program and will fund overtime costs for the Sex Offender Registry Coordinator of the Brockton Police Department to conduct activity necessary to locate offenders and either verify their address or place them in violation. There is no match required.

Accepted and placed on file

19. From the Police Chief requesting acceptance of a check for \$2,500.00 made payable to the City of Brockton from Suffolk Construction. This generous donation was given to the Police Department for assistance with the Shop with a Cop event on December 12, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file

- 20.** 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 \$2,500.00 from Suffolk Construction to the Brockton Police Department. This donation assisted with the Shop with a Cop event held on December 12, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file

- 21.** 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 \$2,500.00 from Suffolk Construction to the Brockton Police Department, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. This donation assisted with the Shop with a Cop event held on December 12, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file

- 22.** From Police Sergeant Skinner requesting that the grant award documents be processed to allow the City of Brockton to expend funds authorized under FY26 Municipal Road Safety Grant in the amount of \$64,935.00. The Municipal Road Safety Grant provides funding for Police Department overtime shifts during traffic enforcement and pedestrian and bike safety campaigns. There is no match required.

Accepted and placed on file

- 23.** From the Police Chief requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY26 Municipal Road Safety Grant award of \$64,935.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security Office of Grants and Research.

Accepted and placed on file

- 24.** 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 \$64,935.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department. These funds are a part of the FY26 Municipal Road Safety Grant and will be used to fund overtime shifts during traffic enforcement and pedestrian and bike safety campaigns. There is no match required.

Accepted and placed on file

- 25.** 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 \$64,935.00 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are a part of the FY26 Municipal Road Safety Grant and will be used to fund overtime shifts during traffic enforcement and pedestrian and bike safety campaigns. There is no match required.

Accepted and placed on file

- 26.** From Police Sergeant Skinner requesting that the grant award documents be processed to allow the City of Brockton to expend funds authorized under the FY26-FY28 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant in the amount of \$1,455,000.00. (\$485,000.00 for each FY from 7/1/26-6/30/28). 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, 2026 and June 30, 2028. Safe Commers provides street outreach and case management as well as employment services and contracts with vendors to provide clients with all needed services. The Old Colony YMCA Mental Health Clinic provides mental and behavioral health service.

Accepted and placed on file

27. From the Police Chief requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the Executive Office of Health and Human Service's FY 2026-2028 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant award in the amount of \$1,455,000.00.

Accepted and placed on file

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 \$1,455,000 from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to the Brockton Police Department. This award is a part of the FY26-FY28 Safe and Successful youth Initiative Grant. These funds will be used for street outreach, case management, behavioral health and tiered employment services for the target group of individuals aged 17-24.

Accepted and placed on file

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 \$1,455,000 from the Executive Health and Human Services to the Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. This award is a part of the FY26-FY28 Safe and Successful youth Initiative Grant. These funds will be used for street outreach, case management, behavioral health and tiered employment services for the target group of individuals aged 17-24.

Accepted and placed on file

30. From the Mayor requesting a waiver of the City of Brockton's residency requirement for Officer Adilson Andrade. Officer Andrade served as a Brockton School Police Officer from September 2018 to February 7, 2021, after which he was hired by the Brockton Police Department. Prior to working as a Police Officer, Officer Andrade was an Access Control Specialist for Brockton Public Schools from August 2016 to September 2018. In total, Officer Andrade has over nine years of combined service as a City of Brockton employee and resident.

Accepted and placed on file

**ORDERS:**

31. 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: \$35,426.00

FROM: ANIMAL CONTROL – PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT      \$35,426.00

TO: ANIMAL CONTROL – PERSONAL SERVICES - OVERTIME      \$35,426.00

Referred to Finance

32. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$50,000.00

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE AGE AND INDEPENDENCE      \$50,000.00

TO: COUNCIL ON AGING      \$50,000.00

Referred to Finance

**33.** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$9,750.00

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE AGE AND INDEPENDENCE \$9,750.00

TO: COUNCIL ON AGING \$9,750.00

Referred to Finance

**34.** Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same hereby transfer as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Appropriation of: \$250,000.00

FROM: HUMAN RESOURCES – BENEFITS \$250,000.00

TO: POLICE – PERSONAL SERVICES NON-OT \$250,000.00

Referred to Finance

**35.** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$12,240.00

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY \$12,240.00

TO: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$12,240.00

Referred to Finance

**36.** Ordered: That the City, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 44, §§ 53A and 53A½, hereby accepts the following donation of \$2,500.00

From: SUFFOLK CONSTRUCTION

To: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Referred to Finance

**37.** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$64,935.00

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY \$64,935.00

TO: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$64,935.00

Referred to Finance

**38.** Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$1,455,000

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES \$1,455,000

TO: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$1,455,000

Referred to Finance

**39.** Ordered: A waiver of the City of Brockton's residency requirements under section 2-110 of the city ordinances for Officer Adilson Andrade.

Officer Adilson Andrade stated he has been in the city of Brockton for 29 years now. He's employed with the Brockton Police Department. For about seven years now. Prior to that, he was school police for two years. Prior to that, he worked access control specialist under the supervision of school police at the high school. His daughter last week turned 2 years old. She's his priority right now. So, that's why he wants to move out the city to show her a different life.

Councilor Farwell motioned to suspend the rules and act on it this evening and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas and "nays"; eight members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Griffin, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

Councilor Farwell motioned to file for reconsideration with the wish it not prevail and was properly seconded. Reconsideration failed by a hand vote.

### **Councilor's Recognition**

President Lally welcomed the three new members and a reminder that Finance Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday January 20<sup>th</sup> due to Monday being a holiday. He also invites everyone to Rondileau Hall at Bridgewater State University on Friday at 2PM for the graduation from the Police academy.

Councilor Asack announced that on Monday the Cape Verdean association will be having an MLK event at 727 Venue which is located on Warren Ave at 2PM.

President Lally asked City Clerk Cruise to read in the Committee Assignments for the year:

Ordinance

Chair: Asack

Griffin

Nicastro

Thompson

Teixeira

Accounts

Chair: Farwell

Green

Nicastro

Asack

Charnel

Real Estate

Chair: Teixeira

Green

Tavares

DaRosa

Farwell

Economic Development

Chair: Charnel

Tavares

Nicastro

Asack

DaRosa

Public Safety

Chair: Thompson

Asack

Charnel

DaRosa

Farwell

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion

Chair: Griffin

Green

Tavares

Farwell

Teixeira

IT: Thompson

Beautification: Griffin

Community Schools: Teixeira

Traffic: Green, DaRosa

Meeting Adjourned: 7:19PM

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.