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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Snyder led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

City Councilors Present: Councilor Fournier, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevorrow (Via Zoom), Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder.

5:00 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:

George Rheault (West Bayside), Elizabeth Capone (88 Tucker Ave), Mark Stalmack, (Fore Street, District 1), Nila Bilodeau (No address given), Ken Capron (Forest Ave), Danielle West (Interim City Manager)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The following individuals gave an announcement:

Mayor Snyder: December 29 will mark the 10-year anniversary of the date that the new law for same-sex marriage took effect in Maine. Portland City Hall opened on Saturday at 12:01am on December 29, 2012 to celebrate the new law for same-sex marriage that took effect that day. Six marriage ceremonies were done on the spot. 15 other couples filed their marriage intentions forms to take with them and get married at another time (within 90 days). Out of those 15 that took the intentions with them, 4 marriage ceremonies were done elsewhere, later that same day, and filed with the Portland City Clerk's office as their wedding date of December 29, 2012.

Councilor Phillips: We will make a motion to take up a non-agenda item regarding Winchester Woods Affordable Housing Project later in the meeting.

RECOGNITIONS:

No recognitions.

PRESENTATIONS:

State of the Schools - By the Portland Board of Public Education, Chair Sarah Lentz

Sarah Lentz, Chair of the Portland Board of Public Education, presented the State of the Schools address.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

**Inaugural City Council Meeting -December 5, 2022 6:00PM
Special City Council Meeting-December 5, 2022 6:30PM**

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for approval of the Inaugural City Council Meeting, December 5, 2022 6:00pm and the Special City Council Meeting, December 5, 2022 6:30pm. Passage 9-0.

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 105-22/23 Order Confirming the Appointment of Rachel L. Millette as Associate Corporation Counsel - Sponsored by Michael Goldman, Acting Corporation Counsel

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Michael Goldman (Acting Corporation Counsel) gave an overview of the item. Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 106-22/23 Appointing Constables for 2023 - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item. Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 107-22/23 Authorizing Special Council and Outside Board and Commission Appointments for 2023 - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Mayor Snyder gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder read into the record one administrative amendment, to add Councilor Ali to the Fish Exchange Board.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

LICENSES:

Order 108-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Prolerized New England Co, LLC dba Schnitzer Northeast. Application for a Scrap Metal Recycling Facility at 568 Riverside Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 9-0.

Christine Grimando (Director of Planning and Urban Development) gave an overview of this item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Ken Capron (Forest Ave), George Rheault (West Bayside), Councilor Fournier

Order 109-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Goodfire Brewing Co LLC, dba Goodfire Brewing Company. Application for Class A Lounge with Indoor Entertainment and Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 219 Anderson Street Ste 6 - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 110-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of LB Kitchen, LLC, dba LB Kitchen. Application for Class III & IV FSE at 251 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 111-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Snake Oil Sales, dba Downtown Lounge. Application for Class A Lounge at 606 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 112-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Volcano LLC, dba Volcano. Application for Class IA Inn (41+ rooms) at 155 Riverside Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Mayor Snyder for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 113-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Definitive Brewing, LLC, dba Definitive Brewing. Application for Class A Lounge at 35 Industrial Way- Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

Order 114-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Room For Improvement LLC, dba Room For Improvement. Application for Class A Lounge at 41 Wharf Street- Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Mayor Snyder for passage. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the item.
Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication 17-22/23 Regarding the 2022 Annual Tax Increment Financing District Activity Report - By the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

Councilor Ali gave an overview of this communication.
This item is a communication. No formal Council action is needed.

Communication 18-22/23 Regarding 2022 Calendar Year Accomplishments - By the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

Councilor Ali gave an overview of this communication.
This item is a communication. No formal Council action is needed.

Communication 19-22/23 Appointing Members of the Ethics Committee - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor.

Mayor Snyder gave an overview of this communication.
This item is a communication. No formal Council action is needed.

Communication 20-22/23 Regarding the 2023 Council Common Goals - By Kate Snyder, Mayor

Mayor Snyder gave an overview of this communication.
This item is a communication. No formal Council action is needed.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolve 6-22/23 Supporting the Advancing Equality for Wabanaki Nations Act - Sponsored by Councilor April Fournier

Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage.
Passage 9-0 as amended.

Councilor Fournier gave an overview of the item and read the resolve into the record. Councilor Fournier made a motion to make an administrative change to the resolve to read "Maine is one of a minority of States" on the first sentence of the resolve. Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following spoke: George Rheault (West Bayside), Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevarrow.

Written Public Comment on Resolve 6-22/23

ORDERS:

Order 115-22/23 Accepting and Appropriating a \$5,000 Anonymous Donation for Those in Need - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Dion to suspend Council rules and wave the second read. Passage 9-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro, seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage of item as an emergency. Passage 9-0.

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of this item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Ken Capron (Forest Ave), Councilor Pelletier, Danielle West (Interim City Manager), Councilor Fournier, Councilor Ali

Order 116-22/23 Approving the Sixth Amendment of the Land Exchange Agreement Between CPB2 Management LLC, Maine Department of Transportation and the City of Portland Re: 58 Fore Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to postpone item until the February 6th, 2023 meeting.

Motion failed 3-6

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro, seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage of item as presented. Passage 9-0.

Michael Goldman (Acting Corporation Counsel) gave an overview of this item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Mayor Snyder, Micheal Goldman (Acting Corporation Counsel), Councilor Fournier, Danielle West (Interim City Manager), Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Ali, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Dion, Mary Costigan (Legal Counsel for Developer), Mayor Snyder, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Phillips, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor

Written Public Comment on Order 116-22/23

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn. Passage 9-0 at 8:23pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk

UN-AGENDAED ITEM

Order Appropriating ARPA and Housing Trust funds for Winchester Woods Housing Project - Sponsored by Councilor Regina L. Phillips

Motion was made by Councilor Phillips and seconded by Councilor Ali to suspend council rules to take up an unagended item. Passage 7-2 (Councilor Dion and Mayor Snyder No)

Order Approving and Appropriating ARPA and Housing Trust Funds for Winchester Woods Housing Project has been added for first reading.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for council debate. The following individuals spoke: Councilor Dion, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Fournier, Councilor Ali, Danielle West (Interim City Manager), Councilor Phillips.

Motion was made by Councilor Phillips and seconded by Councilor Ali to wave second read and pass item as an emergency. Motion failed 1-8. (Councilor Fournier, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevorow, Councilor Pelletier No)

Second read of the Council Order and public comment will be read at the January 4, 2023 meeting.