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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 5:06pm.

City Councilors Present: Councilor Fournier, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevorro (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:

Steven Scharf (Bracket Street), Taylor Cry (Preble Street Advocacy Team), Richard Ward (Parkside Neighborhood), Sarah Lentz (Arlington Street), Bill Higgins (Homeless Advocacy), TJ Malone)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The following City Councilors made an announcement:

Councilor Ali, Councilor Phillips, Corporation Counsel, Councilor Pelletier

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

City Council Meeting, April 10, 2023

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Zarro for approval of the City Council Meeting minutes, April 10, 2023. Passage 9-0

PROCLAMATIONS:

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 175-22/23 Appointing Warden and Ward Clerks for the 2023-2024 Election Year - Sponsored by Ashley Rand, City Clerk

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

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

Order 176-22/23 Appointing Members to Various Boards & Commissions - Sponsored by the Legislative/Nominating Committee, Mayor Kate Snyder, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Ali to postpone Order 176 until May, 1, 2023. Passage 9-0.

Order Postponed until City Council meeting, May 1, 2023

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 177-22/23 Setting The Time for Opening and Closing the Polls on June 13, 2023 RE: Municipal Election - Sponsored by Ashley Rand, City Clerk

Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Dion for passage. Passage 9-0.

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

Order 178-22/23 Declaring June 10, 2023 the Shipyard Old Port Half Marathon and 5K Festival - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Dion for passage. Passage 9-0.

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

LICENSES:

Order 179-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of LB Kitchen LLC, dba LB Kitchen. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 255 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

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

Order 180-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Milne Spirit Works LLC, dba Hardshore Distilling Company. Application for Class A Lounge with

Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 53 Washington Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

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

Order 181-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Flatbread Portland Inc, dba Flatbread Company. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 72 Commercial Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

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

Order 182-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Night Mares, LLC, dba Night Mares. Application for Class A Lounge at 59 Washington Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

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

Order 183-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Room for Improvement, LLC, dba Room for Improvement. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 41 Wharf Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Mayor for passage. Passage 8-1 (Councilor Fournier-No).

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

Steven Scharf (Brackett Street), Brenton Dupee (Bayside), Councilor Fournier, Zachary Lenhart (Business Licensing)

Order 184-22/23 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Allagash Brewing Company, dba Allagash Brewing Company. Application for Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 100 Industrial Way - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

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

BUDGET ITEMS:

Order 185-22/23 Receiving and Referring to the Finance Committee the Portland Board of Public Education Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Estimate and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

Sarah Lentz (Board of Education Chair), Aaron Townsend (Interim Co-Superintendent) and Melea Nalli (Interim Co-Superintendent) gave an overview of the school budget.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Mayor Snyder, Councilor Dion, Danielle West (Interim City Manager)

Order 186-22/23 Receiving and Referring the City Manager's Recommended Fiscal Year 2024 Municipal Budget to the Finance Committee and Setting Date of Public Hearing on the Fiscal Year 2024 Municipal Budget and the Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriation Resolve - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

Daneille West (Interim City Manager) gave an overview of the City budget.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Steven Scharf (Brackett Street), Councilor Dion

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication 32-22/23 Amended Rental Golf Cart Rules and Regulations - by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Danielle West (Interim City Manager) gave an update regarding amended rental golf cart rules and regulations.

As a communication, this requires no public comment or formal council action.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 8-22/23 Opposing Federal Preemption of Municipal Pesticide Regulations - Sponsored by Sustainability & Transportation Committee, Andrew Zarro, Chair

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

Councilor Zarro (Committee Chair) gave an overview of the item.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 170-22/23 Accepting and Appropriating Federal Aviation Administration Administered Airport Improvement Program and Airport Infrastructure Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Grants - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

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

Paul Bradbury (Director of Portland Jetport) gave an overview of the item.

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

Order 171-22/23 Amendment to Portland City Code Chapter 9 Re: Clean Elections - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage.

Brandon Mazer (Perkins Thompson) and James Katsiaficas (Perkins Thompson) gave an overview of the item.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment on the original Council order. The following individuals spoke:

Anna Keller (Executive Director of Maine Citizens for Clean Elections), Ben Chipman (Maine Senator, Portland Representative)

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder with a second from Councilor Dion to amend disbursement amounts.

The following Councilors commented on the motion:

Mayor Snyder, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Dion, Councilor Rodriguez

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder with the second from Councilor Ali to withdraw Mayor Snyder's motion for amendment. Passed 9-0

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for discussion on the structure of the ordinance. The following individuals spoke:

Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Zarro, Mayor Snyder, Councilor Dion, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Ali, Councilor Fournier, Councilor Phillips

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Ali to postpone item until May 1, 2023. Passed 9-0

Order postponed until City Council Meeting May 1, 2023

Order 172-22/23 Amendment to Zoning Map Re: R-6 Residential to B-3 Downtown Business at 211 Cumberland Avenue - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Maggie Stanley, Chair

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

Brandon Mazer (Planning Board Chair) gave an overview of the item.

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

Bill Higgins, Jay York

Order 173-22/23 Amendment to Downtown Height Overlay and Bayside Height Overlay Maps Re: 211 Cumberland Avenue - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Maggie Stanley, Chair

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

Brandon Mazer (Planning Board Chair) gave an overview of the item.

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

Order 174-22/23 Amendment to Zoning Map Re: Repealing the C-5 Conditional Zone Agreement at 22 Park Avenue - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Maggie Stanley, Chair

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

Brandon Mazer (Planning Board Chair) gave an overview of the item.

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

ORDERS:

Order 187-22/23 Approving the Renewal of Portland's Participation in the Cumberland County HOME Consortium - Sponsored by Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

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

Mary Davis (Interim Director of Housing and Economic Development) gave an overview of the item.

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

Order 188-22/23 Moving the Polling Place for District 2 Precinct 2 from the Portland Exposition Building to the Troubh Ice Arena for the June 13, 2023 Municipal Election - Sponsored by Ashley Rand, City Clerk

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

Ashley Rand (City Clerk) gave an overview of the item.

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

Order 189-22/23 Approving the Agreement between the Maine Department of Transportation, Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System, and Portland re: Improvements to Preble Street Extension - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez 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.

AMENDMENTS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn. Passage 9-0 at 8:47pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk