

ZOOM INFORMATION:

The City Council will conduct this meeting from Council Chambers, located on the second floor of City Hall. The public may attend the meeting in person, however space in Council Chambers is limited. The public is therefore strongly encouraged to participate remotely via Zoom pursuant to the Remote Meeting Policy adopted by the Portland City Council. Allow your computer to install the free Zoom app to get the best meeting experience. If you are not able to attend live either in person or via Zoom, a recording will be available in the [Agenda Center](#) following the meeting.

For public comment via Zoom, you will need to use the "raise your hand" feature. To raise your hand via the telephone, please hit *9. You will be unmuted by the host when it is time for public comment.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://portlandmaine-gov.zoom.us/j/88056480256?pwd=UElKRHo4czNjditaTC9zTG9zZk1QUT09>

Passcode: 833717

Or One tap mobile :

+13092053325,,88056480256#,,, *833717# US

+13126266799,,88056480256#,,, *833717# US (Chicago)

Or Telephone:

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

+1 309 205 3325 US

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 646 931 3860 US

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

+1 305 224 1968 US

+1 360 209 5623 US

+1 386 347 5053 US

+1 507 473 4847 US

+1 564 217 2000 US

+1 669 444 9171 US

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

+1 689 278 1000 US

+1 719 359 4580 US

+1 253 205 0468 US

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Webinar ID: 880 5648 0256

Passcode: 833717

International numbers available: <https://portlandmaine-gov.zoom.us/j/kvfsNk6gL>

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Snyder led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Snyder called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

City Councilors Present: Councilor Fournier, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Dioin, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder.

Councilors Absent: Councilor Ali

*Councilor Ali joined meeting at 5:11pm.

4:00 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

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

Shawn Moody (Moody's Collision Center), Niagar Zavir (District 4), Sam Eakin (Cherished Processions), Ron Morris (178 Ridge Road), Steven Scharff (Brackett Street), Richard Ward (Parkside Neighborhood), George Rheault (Hanover Street), Jim Hall (District 1), Ken Capron (Forest Ave)

*Public Comment taken at 5:30pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements

RECOGNITIONS:

Recognizing Kathy Alves for her service to the City of Portland - Kate Snyder, Mayor

Mayor Snyder recognized Kathy Alves for her service to the City of Portland.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Special City Council Meeting Minutes- June 26, 2023

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for approval of the City Council Meeting minutes, June 26, 2023. Passage 8-0 (Councilor Ali Absent)

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 1-23/24 Appointing Michael Murray as Director of Public Works - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage as an emergency. Passage 8-0 (Ali Absent)

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: George Rheault (West Bayside)

*Order was passed as an emergency and will take effect immediately.

Order 2-23/24 Appointing Members to Various Boards & Commissions - Sponsored by Legislative/Nominating Committee, Mayor Kate Snyder, Chair

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage as an emergency. Passage 8-0 (Ali Absent)

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

*Order was passed as an emergency and will take effect immediately.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 3-23/24 Approving Transfer of Funds under 15 M.R.S. §§5824(3) and 5826(6) Re: Raymond Whittington - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

* Point of Order Consent Items Order 3-23/24 and Order 4-23/24 were read and approved together.

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage. Passage 8-0 (Ali Absent)

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: George Rheault (West Bayside), Michael (Festival of Nations), Councilor Dion

Order 4-23/24 Declaring July 29, 2023 the 21st Annual Greater Portland Festival of Nations - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

* Point of Order Consent Items Oder 3-23/24 and Order 4-23/24 were read and approved together.

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage.. Passage 8-0 (Ali Absent)

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment.The following individuals spoke: George Rheault (West Bayside), Michael (Festival of Nations), Councilor Dion

COMMUNICATIONS:

Com 1-23/24 Update on the Status of City of Portland Property Assessments - Elisa Marr, Tax Assessor

Elisa Marr (Tax Assessor) gave a communication update on the State of City of Portland Property Assessments.

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

Com 2-23/24 Update regarding the 4/1/23 Rally and Portland Police Department Response - Danielle P. West, City Manager

Elisa Marr (Tax Assessor) gave a communication update on the State of City of Portland Property Assessments.

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

Com 3-23/24 Update on Encampment Crisis Response Team - Director Kristen Dow (Health & Human Services) and Chief Keith Gautreau (Fire Department)

Danielle West (City Administrator), Kristen Dow (Director of Health & Human Services) and Keith Gautreau (Fire Chief) gave a communication update on Encampment Crisis Response Team.

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

Com 4-23/24 Regarding the Closure of City Hall on August 11 - Danielle P. West, City Manager

Danielle West (City Administrator) gave a communication Regarding the Closure of City Hall on August 11th.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to adjourn. Passage 9-0 at 6:00pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk