

ZOOM INFORMATION:

The City Council will conduct this meeting in-person from Council Chambers, located on the second floor of City Hall. Public comments may only be submitted in person or in writing.

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<https://portlandme.portal.civicclerk.com/event/6494/media>.

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 Pelletier, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder

Absent: Councilor Trevorrow

*Point of order. Councilor Trevorrow joined the meeting at 5:30pm

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

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

Bill Higgins- (82 Middle Street), George Rheault (Hanover Street), Nick Mavadones (Chenery Street), Belinda Ray (East Bayside), Spencer Tibodeau (Former District 2 Councilor), Brian Batson (Former City Councilor), Tae Chong- (Former District 3 Councilor), Leo Hilton (3 salem Street)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for Council Announcements. The following Councilors made an announcement:

Mayor Snyder

RECOGNITIONS:

**Recognition of outgoing elected officials for their service to the City of Portland
(Mayor Kate Snyder, Councilor Andrew Zarro, and Councilor Mark Dion)**

Councilor Fournier, Councilor Zarro, Mayor Snyder and Danielle West (City Manager) all read recognitions into the record for outgoing elected officials for their service to the City of Portland. Mayor Snyder, Councilor Zarro, and Councilor Dion were all recognized.

**Recognition of Kristen Dow, Director of Health & Human Services, for her service
to the City of Portland - Kate Snyder, Mayor**

Mayor Snyder recognized Kristen Dow (Director of Health and Human Services for her service to the City of Portland.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2023

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

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

LICENSES:

Order 70-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Board and Batten LLC, dba Jerome's. Application for Class A Lounge at 223 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

Order 71-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Sodexo America LLC, dba Sodexo America. Application for Class III & IV at 35 Bedford Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 10-23/24 Amendment to Zoning Map Amendment Re: R-5a Residential for 900 Ocean Avenue and Adjacent Parcels - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Brandon Mazer, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage as amended. Passage as amended 7-2 (Councilor Zarro & Councilor Phillips No) Bill Higgins (82 Middle Street), Patti Webber (No address given), Ron Morris (78 Ridge Road), Deidra St Louis (Ridge Road), Chuck Grossman (175 Ridge Road), Vincent Caliendo (47 Ice Pond Drive), Ellen Dimedo (Presumpscott Street), Sam Lebel (Acorn Engineering), Matthew Tonello (Property Owner of Ocean Ave), Woodfords Resident, Steven Scharff (Brackett Street), George Rheault (Hanover Street), Elizabeth Capone-Newton (Tucker Ave), Karen Lord (Deering Street) Councilor Zarro, Brandon Mazer (Planning Board Chair), Kevin Kraft (Deputy Director of Planning), Christine Grimando (Director of Planning), Councilor Dion, Councilor Fournier, Councilor Phillips

Amendment #1

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by councilor Fournier to amend Order 10-23/24 to strike the following:

“852 Ocean Avenue and 840-846 Ocean Avenue”

Passage 9-0. Amendment passed.

Amendment #2

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Fournier to amend Order 10-23/24 to add Planning Board findings of facts to the Order.

Passage 9-0 Amendment passed.

Order 67-23/24 Order Accepting and Appropriating Asset Forfeiture Funds to the Portland Police Department - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Councilor Fournier, Councilor Phillips

**Order 68-23/24 Amendment to Portland City Code Chapters 17, 18, and 25 re:
Camping and Loitering on Public Property - Sponsored by Roberto Rodriguez,
Councilor, and Anna Trevorow, Councilor**

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Council Rodriguez for passage.
Failed 3-6 (Councilor Fournier, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro,
Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder-No)

Councilor Rodriguez & Councilor Trevorow gave an overview of the proposal. Danielle West (City Manager), Chief Mark Dubois (Police), and Chief Keith Gadtreau (Fire) give staff comments and summary of their memos provided in the agenda backup.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Michael Mertooff (118 Beacon Street), Bill Higgins (Middle Street/National Coalition for Homeless), Rosa Scarcelli (71 Bowdoin Street), Nicholas (14 Grove Street), Becca (Morning Street), Osgood (83 Beckett Street), Noreen Hilton (316 Congress Street), Wes Pelletier (West End), Jess Tisdale (District 3), Devon Green (12 Fernald Street), Will Olmsted (District 5), Selena Lussier (District 1), Tom Rose (District 2), Leo Hilton (3 Salem Street), Josh Moss (District 3), Celeste (District 1), Estla (Rosemount Neighborhood), Alison Hawkes (Harborview Park Neighbor), Tony Donnavon (Portland Resident/Business Owner), Dan Tarkinson (Fessenden Street), Pat Bailey (Land Bank Commission), Kristin Carerra (44 Park Street), Cullen Ryan (Community Housing of Maine), Joan Gildart (97 Glenwood Ave), Jackie Sartoris (Cumberland County District Attorney), Nancy Wallace (District 5), Paula Mahoney (District 5/Business Owner), Amy Landry (44 Coyle Street), Quincy Hentzle (Resident/Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce), John Funk (Orchard Street), Bob Mill (Brackett Street), Jonathan Penton (Concord Street), Bill Linnell (Congress Street), Richard Laroux (District 3), Mya (Vesper Street), Sara (Bayside Neighborhood), Thomas Burns (Concord Street), Jeremy (Westbrook Resident), Haylie Gilma (District 2), Jim Hall (Cedar Street), Dana (Milestone Outreach worker), Cynthia Rotolo (46 Candlewick Street), Peter (Waterville Street), Kevin Sullivan (District 3), Kristen (Marginal Way Business Owner), Karen Snyder (District 1), Buddy Moore (District 3), Kristen Tyson (Hope Squad), Laurie Dana (Danforth Street), Baxter Makie (District 3), Clara Porter (District 3), Whitney Bushy (Anderson Street), Sean Thompson (Alfred Resident), Heather Zimmerman (ACLU of Maine), Martha Gonzalez (District 2), Cary Tyson (Portland Downtown), Don Kimble (South Portland Resident), Warren Lain (District 5), Amanda (District 3), Carrie Lord (Deering Street), Andrew Bossie (Brackett Street), Susanna Richard (East Deering), Donna (no address given), Bobbi Cope (Congress Street), Gary Wagner (Brackett Street), Tyron Daniels (Portland Youth Coach), Ethan Gammon (District 1), Meredith Dodge (Maple Street), Steve Campbell (Munjoy Hill), Byron Bartlett (Riverton Area), Mary Costigan (Chenery Street), Jess Velero (St Lawrence Street), Michael Fletcher (Outreach Worker), Max (Brighton Ave), Irne (Gorham Resident), Peter McLaughlin (Maple Ave), Ann Pringle (West End), Elizabeth Capone Newton (Tucker Ave), Dawn Neptune Adams

(Filmmaker/Journalist), Steven Scharff (Brackett Street), Marcela (St Lawrence Street)

*Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to continue meeting past 10:00pm. Passage 9-0.

Meeting continued.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for Council deliberations. The following individuals spoke:

Council Comment: Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Rodriguez, Mayor Snyder, Danielle West (City Manager), Councilor Ali, Kristen Dow (Director of HHS), Councilor Dion, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Fournier, Councilor Phillips, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Ali, Michael Goldman (Corporation Counsel)

Amendment #1

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to amend Councilor Order 68 23/24. Amendment #1 is in the City Council packet. In addition to amendment number #1, the motion to add the word “athletic” in front of fields was also requested.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for Council comment on the amendment. The following individuals spoke: Councilor Fournier

Motion passed 5-4 (Councilor Dion, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder-No)

Amendment #1 Passed.

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to postpone Order 68-23/24 December 4, 2023.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for Council comment on the motion. The following individuals spoke: Councilor Dion, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Zarro, Mayor Snyder

Motion failed 2-7 (Councilor Fournier, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder-No)

Postponement failed.

Amendment #2

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to amend Councilor Order 68 23/24. Amendment #2 is in the City Council packet.

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for Council comment on the amendment. No one spoke.

Motion passed 3-6 (Councilor Fournier, Councilor Dion, Councilor Ali, Councilor Zarro, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Snyder-No)

Amendment #2 Failed

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Ali to refer Order 68-23/24 to the Health and Human Services Committee.

Motion passed 6-3 (Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Trevorrow-No)

Order 68-23/24 Referred to Health and Human Services Committee

Order 69-23/24 Approving the One-Year Extension of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Portland Police Superior Officers Association - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali, seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage.

Passage 7-2 (Councilor Fournier & Councilor Pelletier No)

Mayor Snyder opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Councilor Fournier, Councilor Phillips, Councilor Pelletier

ORDERS:

Order 72-23/24 Accepting and Appropriating a \$2,000 Donation from OldCastle Lawn & Garden, Inc. for the Shop with a Cop Program - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Motion was made by Councilor Dion and seconded by Councilor Ali to wave the second reading. Passage 9-0.

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

Order 72-23/24 passed as emergency. Item will take effect immediately.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn. Passage 9-0 at 1:33am.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk