

ZOOM INFORMATION:

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Dion led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Dion called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

City Councilors Present: Councilor Fournier, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Sykes, Councilor Ali, Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Pelletier, Councilor Phillips, Mayor Dion

Councilors Absent: Councilor Bullett

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

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

Matt Walker (District 2), Jim Hall (District 1), Sarah Michniewicz (District 1), George Rheault (Hanvover Street)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Announcing The Maine Historic Preservation Commission's National Register of Historic Places - By Mark Dion, Mayor

Mayor Dion opened the floor for Council Announcements. The following Councilors spoke:

Councilor Phillips, Councilor Ali, Mayor Dion, Danielle West (City Manager), Brian Frost (Executive Director of Portland Housing Authority)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 19-23/24 Recognizing May 2024 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

Councilor Fournier read Proclamation 19-23/24 Recognizing May 2024 as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month in the record.

Proclamation 20-23/24 Declaring May 2, 2024 as the National Day of Prayer - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

Ashley Rand (City Clerk) read Proclamation 20-23/24 Declaring May 2, 2024 as the National Day of Prayer in the record.

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 167-23/24 Appointing Wardens and Ward Clerks for the 2024-2025 Election Year - Sponsored by Ashley Rand, City Clerk

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

Order 168-23/24 Appointing Election Clerks for 2024 to 2026 - Sponsored by Ashley Rand, City Clerk

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 169-23/24 Declaring May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025 the Friends of Congress Square Park In the Square Festival - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

*Orders 169, 170, 171, 172 were all read and approved together as part of the consent agenda.

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

Order 170-23/24 Declaring Sundays on the Boulevard Festival Days in 2024 - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

*Orders 169, 170, 171, 172 were all read and approved together as part of the consent agenda.

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

Order 171-23/24 Declaring June 8, 2024 the Shipyard Old Port Half Marathon and 5K Festival - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

*Orders 169, 170, 171, 172 were all read and approved together as part of the consent agenda.

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

Order 172-23/24 Declaring July 27, 2024 the 22nd Annual Greater Portland Festival of Nations - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

*Orders 169, 170, 171, 172 were all read and approved together as part of the consent agenda.

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

Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

LICENSES:

Order 173-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Oscar Pizza LLC, dba Otto. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 225 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

Order 174-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Pizza Pie On The Fly LLC, dba Noble. Application for Class I FSE with Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 476 Stevens Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

Order 175-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Battery Steele Brewing LLC, dba Battery Steele Brewing. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 1 Industrial Way #13 - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Pelletier and seconded by Councilor Phillips for passage.
Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)

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

Order 176-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Newsclapes Brewing Inc, dba Newsclapes Brewing. Application for Class I FSE with Combined Entertainment and Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 163 Washington Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

Order 177-23/24 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Paella Seafood LLC, dba Paella Seafood. Application for Class III & IV with Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 865 Forest Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

BUDGET ITEMS:

Order 178-22/23 Receiving and Referring to the Finance Committee the Portland Board of Public Education's Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Estimate and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Danielle West (City Manager) gave an overview of this item.
Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
George Rheault (West Bayside)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 153-23/24 Approving the Service Contract between the Maine Historic Preservation Commission and the City of Portland and Accepting and Appropriating a Pass-through Grant in the Amount of \$9,153 to the Lions Club of Peaks Island - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Sykes and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage.
Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)
Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
Councilor Fournier

Order 165-23/24 Approving the Agreement Between the Maine Department of Transportation, Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System, and Portland RE: Improvements to Canco Road - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage.
Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)
Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. No one spoke.

ORDERS:

Order 179-23/24 Approving a Substantial Amendment to the Home American Rescue Plan Allocation Plan - Sponsored by the Housing and Economic Development Committee, Council Pious Ali, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez for passage. Passage 8-0 (Bullett Absent)
Mayor Davis (Housing & Community Development Division Director) gave an overview of this item.
Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke:
George Rheault (West Bayside)

Order 180-23/24 Regarding Application to Reclassify 142 Free Street as a Noncontributing Structure in the Congress Street Historic District - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Brandon Mazer, Chair

This is first reading.

AMENDMENTS:

Order 181-23/24 Amendment to Portland City Code Chapter 14 RE: Floodplain Management - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Brandon Mazer, Chair

This is first reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to adjourn. Passage 8-0 at 6:00pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk