

ZOOM INFORMATION:

The City Council will conduct this meeting from Council Chambers, located on the second floor of City Hall.

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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 4:00pm.

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

Councilors Absent: Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Phillips

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

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

Winston Lumpkins, District 1 (Chair of Portland Bike Pedestrian Advisory Committee), Zack Barowitz (Huntress Street), John Clark (District 3 /Portland Bike Pedestrian Advisory Committee), Joey Lane (Bar Harbor Resident), Todd Morse (District 1), Bill Higgins (83 Mill Street), George Rheault (West Bayside)

RECOGNITIONS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 1-24/25 Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Bayside Neighborhood Association - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

Mayor Dion read Proclamation 1-24/25 Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Bayside Neighborhood Association into the record.

Proclamation 2-24/25 Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Sister City Relationship Between Portland, Maine, USA and Mytilene, Lesvos, Greece - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

Mayor Dion read Proclamation 2-24/25 Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Sister City Relationship Between Portland, Maine and Mytilene, Lesvos, Greece into the record.

Proclamation 3-24/25 Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Coffee by Design - Sponsored by Pious Ali, City Councilor

Councilor Ali read Proclamation 3-24/25 Celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Coffee by Design into the record.

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 1-24/25 Appointing and Setting Salary of Kevin Kraft as Director of Planning and Urban Development - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Sykes for passage as an emergency. Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

*Order passed as an emergency.

Order 2-24/25 Appointing and Setting Salary of Maggie McLoughlin as Health and Human Services Director - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 3-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Tokiyo Reman Sushi & Asia LLC, dba Tokiyo Reman Sushi. Application for Class I FSE at 11 Brown Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

Motion was made by Councilor Sykes and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 4-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of TSNR Inc, dba Cantina Calafia. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 46 Pine Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

Motion was made by Councilor Sykes and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 5-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Longfellow Property LLC, dba Twin Flower. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 754 Congress Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

Motion was made by Councilor Sykes and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 6-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Hot Liquor Tank LLC, dba Hot Liquor Tank. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 43 Wharf Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 7-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Kendrick and Bloom LLC, dba Kendrick and Bloom. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 160 Presumpscot Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 8-24/25 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of 15 Exchange St. LLC, dba Off Track Pizza. Application for Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 15 Exchange Street - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

Orders 3-24/25 through 8-24/25 were all read and passed as consent items. Public comment was taken on all orders together.

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communication 1-23/24 Monument Square Pedestrian Area - Greg Jordan, Assistant City Manager

Greg Jordan gave an overview of communication 1-24/25 Monument Square Pedestrian Area.

The following Councilors provided comment: Councilor Bullett

As a communication, no formal council action is required.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 254-23/24 Accepting and Appropriating a \$425,000 Donation from the Congress Square Redesign Committee for Construction of Phase B of the Congress Square Redesign - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 259-23/24 Accepting and Appropriating a \$200,000 State of Maine EMS Grant for the Portland Fire Department EMS Operations - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Order 258-23/24 Approving the Housing and Economic Development Department Shahnaz Mahager Hummingbird Grant Program and Accepting and Appropriating an \$18,105 Donation for its Creation - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

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

Stephen Scharff (Brackett Street)

ORDERS:

Order 9-24/25 Approving Amendments to the Rules of the Rent Board - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

Passage 7-0 (Councilor Rodriguez & Phillips Absent)

Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Zack Barowitz (District 3)

AMENDMENTS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Sykes and seconded by Councilor Ali to adjourn. Passage 7-0 (Councilors Rodriguez & Phillips absent) at 4:57pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk