

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 5:00pm.

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

Councilors Absent: Councilor Ali

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

Councilor Phillips

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Special City Council Meeting-August 19, 2024-4:00PM

Special City Council Meeting-August 19, 2024-5:30PM

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

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 4-24/25 Honoring the Portland 11/12 Year Old All Stars Baseball Team - Sponsored by Regina Phillips, City Councilor

Councilor Philips read Proclamation 4-24/25 Honoring the Portland 11/12 Year Old All Stars Baseball Team into the record.

Proclamation 5-24/25 Recognizing September 13 to September 22, 2024 as Welcoming Week - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

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Proclamation 6-24/25 Recognizing September 2024 as African Immigrant Heritage Month - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

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Proclamation 7-24/25 Honoring the 111th Anniversary of Thomas Park - Sponsored by Mark Dion, Mayor

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RESOLUTIONS:

Resolve 1-24/25 Calling for the Divestment of Funds from Entities Complicit in the Humanitarian Crisis in Gaza - Sponsored by April Fournier, City Councilor

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

Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Jane Levison (Portland Resident), Lathem Atery (Cumberland Street), Robert Rosen (Merrymeeting Drive), Jamel Lavesser (Former Portland Resident), David Klein (Wex), Dean Haliad (Portland Resident), Sally Bowden-Schaible (Birchvale Drive), Zoey Grawski (Portland Resident), Devon (Portland Resident), Tim Paradis (Portland Resident), Basil (Portland Resident), Rachel Stella (District 2), Julie Krazney (Portland Resident), Hally Herds (Portland Resident), Mahal (Portland Resident), Marim (Portland Resident), Ashley Enbar (Carriage Lane), Gwendoline Forest (Portland Resident), Beth Dingus (Portland Resident), Julia Balin (Former Portland Resident), Kate Fishman (Portland Resident), Hariah (Portland Resident), Matt Zucker (Portland Resident), Beth Kats (Portland Resident), Kathy MacVane (Portland Resident), John Collins (Biddeford Resident), Joey Nelson (Sherwood Street), Steven Cope (Portland Resident), Kate Vhon (Woodfords Street), Alex Barber (Granite Street), Rabi (Portland Resident), Jackie (Portland Resident), Tim (Portland Resident), Abby Fuller (Portland Resident), Jess Saunders (Portland Resident), Abby Alfred (Portland Resident), Sarah Snyder (South Portland Resident), Laura Rosen (Portland Resident), Robert (Portland Resident), Grace (Southern Maine Workers Center), Wes Pelletier (District 2), Jenna (Portland Resident), Lilly Barter (Portland Resident), Leo Hilton (West End), Robert Pantel (Portland Resident), Amanda (District 2), Greg (Southern Maine Workers Center), Adrian (Portland Resident), Max Whipery (Portland Resident), Jim Kenny (Portland Resident), David (District 1), Lilly (Portland Resident), Nory Hilton (Portland Resident), Lisa Sciliano (Pastor in Portland), Corey (Munjoy Hill), Jack Knoll (Portland Resident), Sunny (Portland Resident), Jay Gruber (District 2), Ira Shaperio (Back Cove), Hannah Tanhouser (South Portland Resident), Dan Soley (Portland Resident), Greg Gould (Milton Street), Jenna Morse (South Portland), Dawn (Caregiver), Willy (Portland Resident), Dana (Portland Resident), Meredith (Portland Worker), Will (Portland Worker) Enzo (Portland Worker), Councilor Fournier, Brendan O'Connell (Finance Director), Councilor Trevorrow, Councilor Pelletier, Mayor Dion

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 11-24/25 Approving and Authorizing City Manager to Execute the Amended and Restated Lease Agreement With DBH Portland, LLC, for use of Hadlock Stadium for the Portland Seadogs - Sponsored by the Housing and Economic Development Committee, Pious Ali, Chair

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

Mayor Dion opened the floor for public comment. The following individuals spoke: Ed Palmer (Portland Seadogs Employee), David Brennerman (Former Mayor/Councilor),

Gretchen Span (Portland Resident), Ed Suslovic (Former Mayor/Councilor), Geoff Iacuesssa (Portland Seadogs President), David Bragdon (District 3) , Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Bullett, Mayor Dion

*Passed as an emergency. Takes effect immediately

Order 41-24/25 Approving Three-Party Partnership Agreements Between the City of Portland, the Maine Department of Transportation, and the Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System RE: Improvements to Riverside Street and Washington Avenue - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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

Order 42-24/25 Accepting and Appropriating a \$90,000 Donation and a \$30,000 Grant for the Lincoln Park Fence Project - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Manager

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

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

Order 43-24/25 Amendment to the Portland City Code Chapter 6 RE: National Electric Code - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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ORDERS:

Order 44-24/25 Approving Assignment of the Lease Agreement and the Agreement RE: Parking at the Spring Street Garage Held by Portland Hockey LLC to Powerplay LLC - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

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

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Order 45-24/25 Appropriating \$1,080,000 from the Jill C. Duson Housing Trust Fund to YFO Resource Hub LP RE: 337 Cumberland Avenue - Sponsored by the Housing and Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

This is first reading.

Order 46-24/25 Approving an Amendment to the 337 Cumberland Avenue Affordable Housing Development and Tax Increment Financing District RE: 337 Cumberland Avenue - Sponsored by the Housing and Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

This is first reading.

Order 47-24/25 Approving an Amended Credit Enhancement Agreement the 337 Cumberland Avenue Affordable Housing Tax Increment Financing District RE: 337 Cumberland Avenue - Sponsored by the Housing and Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair.

This is first reading.

Order 48-24/24 Accepting and Appropriating a \$372,000 United States Department of Justice Assistance Grant for the Police Department Hazardous Devices Unit - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, City Manager

This is first reading.

AMENDMENTS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilor Trevorrow and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn. Passage 8-0 (Councilor Ali absent) at 9:29pm.

A TRUE RECORD

Ashley Rand, City Clerk

SPECIAL MEETING: