

ETHAN K. STRIMLING (MAYOR)
BELINDA S. RAY (1)
SPENCER THIBODEAU (2)
BRIAN E. BATSON (3)
JUSTIN COSTA (4)

KIMBERLY COOK (5)
JILL C. DUSON (A/L)
PIOUS ALI (A/L)
NICHOLAS M. MAVODONES, JR. (A/L)

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MINUTES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Pro Tem, Nicholas M. Mavodones, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. (Mayor Strimling arrived during Public Comment).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Approval of the Draft Minutes for the August 12, 2019 Special City Council minutes and the August 12, 2019 Regular City Council Minutes.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Ali to approve the minutes of August 12, 2019 Special City Council Minutes and Regular City Council Minutes. Passage 8-0.

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 36-18/19 Appointing Frank T. Clark as Police Chief - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor Batson and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage as an emergency. Passage 8-0.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 37-19/20 Declaring November 11, 2019 the Veterans Day Parade Festival - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

Order 38-19/20 Declaring October 6, 2019 the 28th Annual Maine Marathon, Half Marathon & Relay Festival - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor Costa and seconded by Councilor Ray for passage of the consent items. Passage 8-0.

LICENSES:

Order 39-19/20 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Smartin Services LLC dba The Bar of Chocolate Café. Application for a Class A Lounge with Outdoor Dining on Public Property at 38 Wharf Street - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage.
Passage 8-0.

Order 40-19/20 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Public Works LLC dba The Public Works. Application for an Auditorium license with Combined Entertainment and Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 52 Adler Street - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Ray for passage. Passage 8-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 213-18/19 Approving Modification of the Three-Party Agreement between Portland, Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System and Maine Department of Transportation Re: Congress Street Intersection Improvements - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Batson for passage as an emergency. Passage 9-0.

Order 24-19/20 Appropriating \$870,000 in Donations in Support of Asylum Seekers - Sponsored by the Finance Committee, Nicholas M. Mavodones, Chair.

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Costa to amend Order 24 by striking out "\$870,000" in the title of the order and in the first paragraph of the order and adding "\$911,749" in the title of the order and in the first paragraph of the order. Passage 9-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Costa and seconded by Councilor Batson for passage as amended. Passage 9-0.

Order 32-19/20 Approving Agreement with Maine Department of Transportation Re: Congress Square Intersection Improvements - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Thibodeau for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 33-19/20 Appropriating Home Investment Partnership Program Funds in the Amount of \$299,999 to Developers Collaborative Predevelopment LLC RE: 66 State Street - Sponsored by the Housing Committee, Councilor Jill C. Duson, Chair.

Mayor Strimling took Orders 33, 34, 35 and 43 out of order.

Motion was made by Councilor Duson and seconded by Councilor Batson for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 34-19/20 Appropriating Home Investment Partnership Program Funds in the Amount of \$193,266 and Housing Trust Funds in the amount of \$136,734 to Community Housing of Maine RE: 83 Middle Street - Sponsored by the Housing Committee, Councilor Jill C. Duson, Chair.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Duson for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 35-19/20 Appropriating \$425,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to the Portland Housing Development Corporation for the 47 Boyd Street Affordable Housing Project - Sponsored by the Housing Committee, Councilor Jill C. Duson, Chair.

Motion was made by Councilor Duson and seconded by Councilor Ray for passage. Passage 9-0.

ORDERS:

Order 41-19/20 Setting Election Date on Citizen Initiative Amendment to the Portland City Charter Re: Ranked Choice Voting for Municipal Officers - Sponsored by Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk.

Motion was made by Councilor Batson and seconded by Councilor Cook to suspend the rules and not take public comment on Order 41. Passage 8-1(Strimling).

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Batson to postpone Order 41 Indefinitely. Passage 9-0.

Order 42-19/20 Regarding Citizen Initiative Amendment to the Portland City Charter for Public Campaign Funding - Sponsored by Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk.

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Mayor Strimling to send Order 42 as a Charter Amendment to the November 5, 2019 Municipal Election. Motion failed 2-7 (Duson, Mavodones, Cook, Costa, Ray, Thibodeau, Batson).

Motion was made by Councilor Costa and seconded by Councilor Cook to postpone Order 42 to the September 16, 2019 City Council Meeting. Passage 9-0.

Order 43-19/20 Approving the Option to Lease and 99-Year Lease Agreement with Community Housing of Maine for Land at 83 Middle Street - Sponsored by the Economic Development Committee, Councilor Justin Costa, Chair.

Motion was made by Councilor Costa and seconded by Councilor Thibodeau for passage. Passage 9-0.

AMENDMENTS:

Order 44-19/20 Designating 17 Structures on or Adjacent to Forest Avenue as Historic Landmarks and Amending the Map of Designated Historic Resources - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager.

This is a first reading.

6:00 P.M. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion was made by Councilor Batson and seconded by Councilor Ray to adjourn. Passage 9-0, at 9:30 PM.

A TRUE RECORD

Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk

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