



**Legislative Committee Meeting  
June 22, 2021**

The June 22, 2021 Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Pious Ali at 8:00 AM on Zoom.

Councilor Pious Ali (Chair), Councilor April Fournier, Jon Jennings (City Manager), Dena Libner (Chief of Staff), Kate Knox (Bernstein Shur), Councilor Nick Mavodones, and Kathy Jones (City Clerk) were present.

Kate Knox provided a legislative update. She informed the Committee that there are 50 unresolved bills in Augusta. Kate said the Legislature adjourned to allow appropriation to complete work on the budget and on the bill to allocate federal funds. Kate said that they will come back on Wednesday, June 30, at which point they will finish the last 50 bills and return 10 days later for the second veto day.

Kate Knox informed the Committee that Bernstein Shur's focus in Augusta on behalf of the City is harbor dredging funding. She added that there are ongoing bills on the table, such as GA reimbursement.

Councilor Ali asked about **LD 991** (*Resolve- Directing DOT to Conduct the Economic Evaluation Study for Commuter and Passenger transfers between Portland and Lewiston*). Kate said the amended version was passed by the Legislature. City Manager Jon Jennings said he had had a discussion with the MDOT Commissioner, and that MDOT plans to move forward with the study.

Councilor Ali requested that the Committee meet every other week due to changing schedules in the summer. Committee members agreed.

Councilor Fournier moved to approve the meeting minutes from June 8, 2021, second by Councilor Mavodones, vote 3-0.

Councilor Mavodones moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilor Fournier, vote 3-0.  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 AM.