

KATE SNYDER (MAYOR)
BELINDA S. RAY (1)
SPENCER THIBODEAU (2)
TAE Y. CHONG (3)
ANDREW J. ZARRO (4)

MARK N. DION (5)
APRIL FOURNIER (A/L)
PIOUS ALI (A/L)
NICHOLAS M. MAVODONES, JR. (A/L)

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 AT 5:00 PM MINUTES

ZOOM INFORMATION:

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:05 P.M. (Councilor Thibodeau submitted his resignation)effective September 19, 2021.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Announcement by Kate Snyder, Mayor, regarding Katherine L. Jones' recognition as the 2021 "Clerk of the Year" by the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association

Mayor Snyder also announced that Councilor Thibodeau submitted his resignation from the City of Portland's City Council effective September 19, 2021. She wished him well on his new adventure working in his new capacity as a member of the Biden-Harris administration.

Mayor Snyder also announced that because of Councilor Thibodeau's departure she will be chairing the Housing and Economic Development Committee.

RECOGNITIONS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Approval of the draft September 8, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Ray for approval of the Draft September 8, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes. Passage 8-0.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 5-21/22 Recognizing September 15 to October 15, 2021 as Hispanic Heritage Month - Sponsored by Pious Ali, Councilor

Proclamation 6-21/22 Recognizing September 20 to September 25, 2021 as National Clean Energy Week - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Proclamation 7-21/22 Recognizing September 27 to October 3, 2021 as Diaper Need Awareness Week - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Proclamation 8-21/22 Recognizing September 30, 2021 as the National Day of Remembrance for U.S. Indian Boarding Schools - Sponsored by April Fournier, Councilor

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 49-21/22 Accepting the Donation of the former Casco Bay Creamery Shack from Doug Hassan - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

LICENSES:

Order 50-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of A&P Pop Ups LLC, dba Jack's Twisted Mansion. Application for a Class 1 FSE with Indoor Entertainment at 156 State St. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 51-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of XGP LLC, dba X-Golf Portland. Application for a Class XI Restaurant/Lounge at 101 York St. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 52-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Wallace Project LLC, dba Maps. Application for a Class X Lounge at 64 Market St. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 53-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Maine Craft Distilling LLC dba Maine Craft Distilling. Renewal application for a Combined Entertainment License at 123 Washington Ave. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Mavodones to approve the renewal of Maine Craft Distilling, but to amend the order and "refer Order 53 to the Sound and Oversight Committee and come back to the full city council at its renewal in a year. Passage 8-0.

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

Written Public Comment

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 45-21/22 Traffic Schedule Amendment Re: Closing Dana, Wharf and Part of Milk Street to Through Traffic - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 46-21/22 Amendment to Portland City Code Chapter 25 Re: Parklet Fee Reduction - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Written Public Comment

Order 47-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating \$40,909.09 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant Funding from Federal Emergency Management Agency - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

ORDERS:

Order 55-21/22 Adopting the Western Promenade Historic Landscape Master Plan - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Mayor Snyder took orders 55, 56, 57 out of order.

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

Order 56-21/22 Approving a Request for Proposals for the Sale and Development of the Thames Street Lot at Fore Street Connector - Sponsored by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Spencer Thibodeau, Chair

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

Order 57-21/22 Updating and Establishing Maintenance and Implementation Assessments for Portland Downtown for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 48-21/22 Order Declaring an Emergency - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Dion and seconded by Councilor Ali to suspend the rules and take public comment. Previously, public comment was closed. Passage 8-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Ali to amend Order 48 by "removing #2 "this Order shall not apply to houses or places of worship". Passage 8-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Chong to amend Order 48 by using Amendment 1 #1, located in the back up materials" for passage. Passage 6-2 (Mavodones, Dion).

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage as amended. Motion failed 4-4 (Mavodones, Dion, Ray, Snyder).

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Mavodones to postpone Order 48 indefinitely. Motion failed 4-4 (Mavodones, Dion, Ray, Snyder).

Written Public Comment

Order 54-21/22 Appointing Local Health Officer Bridget Rauscher Constable - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Fournier to postpone Order 54 to the October 4, 2021 City Council Meeting. Passage 8-0.

Order 58-21/22 Appropriating \$150,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to Developers Collaborative Predevelopment LLC Re: Phoenix at Danforth - Sponsored by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Spencer Thibodeau, Chair

This is its first reading.

AMENDMENTS:

Order 59-21/22 Amendment to the Portland City Code Chapter 2 Re: Additional Senior Tax Relief - Sponsored by the Finance Committee, Nicholas Mavodones, Chair

This is its first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Mavodones to

adjourn. Passage 8-0, at 8:30 P.M.

A TRUE RECORD

Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk