

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 - OCTOBER 4, 2021 AT 5:00 PM MINUTES

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM. (Councilor Ray arrived during the minutes).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Announcement by Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk, regarding early voting

RECOGNITIONS:

PRESENTATIONS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Approval of the Draft September 20, 2021 City Council Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Zarro to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2021 City Council meeting. Passage 8-0.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 9-21/22 Recognizing October 10, 2021 as World Mental Health Awareness Day - Sponsored by Pious Ali, Councilor

Proclamation 10-21/22 Recognizing Indigenous Peoples' Day 2021 - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 60-21/22 Declaring November 6, 2021 the Shipyard Old Port Half Marathon and 5K Festival - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Order 61-21/22 Granting Central Maine Power an Easement at Presumpscot Elementary School - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Order 62-21/22 Declaring February 15 to February 28, 2022 the CarnavalME Festival - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Order 63-21/22 Setting the Time for Opening and Closing of Polls on November 2, 2021 Re: General Municipal Election and State Referendum - Sponsored by Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Chong to approve the Consent items. Passage 8-0.

LICENSES:

Order 64-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Rosemont Market Inc, dba Rosemont Market and Wine Bar. Application for Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 42 Resurgam Pl. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 65-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Perfect Pie 2, LLC, dba Pizzaiolo. Application for Combined Entertainment at 865 Forest Ave. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 66-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Smallaxe LLC, dba East Ender. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 47 Middle St. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

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

Order 67-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Arcadia Gaming and Pizza Parlor LLC, dba Arcadia. Application for Class XI Restaurant/Lounge with Indoor Entertainment, 50 Amusement Devices and 50 Pinball Machines at 504 Congress St. - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

Councilor Fournier recused herself as her husband works for Arcadia.

Motion was made by Councilor Ray and seconded by Councilor Mavodones for passage. Passage 7-0 (Fournier recused).

Written Public Comment

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolve 3-21/22 Urging the Adoption of Precautionary Measures to Slow the Spread of COVID-19 - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Ray to amend Order 43 by deleting "the fourth paragraph" as illustrated in the back up materials for passage. Passage 5-3 (Fournier, Ali, Zarro).

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Zarro as amended. Passage 5-3 (Fournier, Ali, Zarro).

Written Public Comment

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

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Ray to postpone Order 54 indefinitely. 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, Mayor Kate Snyder, Chair

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

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

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

Order 259-20/21 Authorizing 6th Amendment to the Downtown Transit Oriented Development and Omnibus Tax Increment Financing District to Increase Funding to Creative Portland - Sponsored by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Mayor Kate Snyder, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Mavodones and seconded by Councilor Ali to postpone Order 259 indefinitely. Passage 8-0.

ORDERS:

Order 68-21/22 Adopting the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Priority Task Force Report with 2021 Addendum, as amended - Sponsored by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Mayor Kate Snyder, Chair

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

Order 69-21/22 Appropriating \$10,000 for a Rail Study - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Ray to waive the second reading. Passage 8-0.

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

Order 70-21/22 Appointing Danielle P. West as Interim City Manager - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

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

Order 71-21/22 Appointing Jennifer Thompson Acting Corporation Counsel - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

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

AMENDMENTS:

Order 72-21/22 Zoning Map Amendment Re: 43 and 91 Douglass Street from R-5 to R-5a Residential - Sponsored by the Planning Board, Brandon Mazer, Chair

This is its first reading.

Order 73-21/22 Amendment to the Portland City Code Chapter 6 Re: National Electric Code - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

This is its first reading.

Order 74-21/22 Amendment to the Portland City Code Chapter 15 Re: Amusement Device License Fees - Sponsored by Jon P. Jennings, City Manager

This is its first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Ray to adjourn. Passage 8-0 at 7:19 P.M.

A TRUE RECORD

Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk

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