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VICTORIA L. PELLETIER (2)
TAE Y. CHONG (3)
ANDREW ZARRO (4)

MARK N. DION (5)
APRIL FOURNIER (A/L)
PIOUS ALI (A/L)
ROBERTO RODRÍGUEZ (A/L)

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

ZOOM INFORMATION:

The Portland City Council will hold a meeting on December 20, 2021. This meeting will take place remotely using Zoom.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Snyder called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM. (All Councilors present).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Snyder announced that there were over 600 COVID vaccinations and booster shots given today by the Maine Health Clinic.

SPECIAL MEETING:

Special Meeting of the Corporator of the Portland Fish Exchange

Motion was made by Counselor Ali and seconded by Councilor Chong to recess the meeting of the City Council and convene the Special meeting of the Corporator of the Portland Fish Exchange. Passage 9-0.

Order 112-21/22 Appointing Directors of the Board of the Portland Fish Exchange - Sponsored by the Legislative/Nominating Committee, Councilor April Fournier, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Special Meeting of the Corporator of the Portland Development Corporation

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn the meeting of the Fish Exchange and convene the Special Meeting of the corporator of the Portland Development Corporation. Passage 9-0.

Order 91-21/22 Appointing Directors of the Board of the Portland Development Corporation - Sponsored by the Legislative/Nominating Committee, Councilor April Fournier, Chair

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier to adjourn the Special meeting of the Corporator of Portland Development Corporation and convene the regular meeting of the City Council. Passage 9-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Approval of the December 6, 2021 Inaugural Meeting Minutes

Approval of the December 6, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Zarro to approve the December 6, 2021 Inaugural Meeting minutes and the December 6, 2021 Regular meeting minutes. Passage 9-0.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation 11-21/22 Recognizing Portland Lifeguard Jeannette Strickland for a Successful Water Rescue - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

APPOINTMENTS:

Order 113-21/22 Appointing Constables for 2022 - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 114-21/22 Appointing and Setting Salary of Anne Torregrossa as Director of the Human Resources Department - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Order 115-21/22 Authorizing Special Council and Outside Boards and Commissions Appointments for 2022 - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Order 116-21/22 Establishing the Rules Committee - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage of the consent items. Passage 9-0.

LICENSES:

Order 117-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Goodfire Brewing Company LLC, dba Goodfire Brewing. Application for Indoor Entertainment at 219 Anderson Street - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Chong for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 118-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of MacVane Tray Enterprises Inc, dba Yosaku. Application for Class I FSE with Outdoor Dining on Private Property at 1 Danforth Street - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 119-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Hakuna Matata Bar & Restaurant LLC, dba Hakuna Matata Bar and Restaurant. Application for Class XI Restaurant/Lounge at 249 St. John Street - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 120-21/22 Granting Municipal Officers' Approval of Cabana LLC, dba Cabana Restaurant. Application for Class I FSE at 111 Middle Street - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

COMMUNICATIONS:

COM 8-21/22 ReCode Phase 2 Status Report by Christine Grimando, Director of Planning & Urban Development

As a communication, this item requires no public comment or formal Council action.

COM 9-21/22 2021 Calendar Year Accomplishments by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

As a communication, this item requires no public comment or formal Council action.

COM 10-21/22 FY2021 Annual TIF District Activity Report by the Housing & Economic Development Committee, Councilor Pious Ali, Chair

As a communication, this item requires no public comment or formal Council action.

COM 11-21/22 Appointing the Members of the Council Rules of Procedure Committee by Kate Snyder, Mayor

As a communication, this item requires no public comment or formal Council action.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolve 5-21/22 Honoring Nicholas M. Mavodones, Jr., and Naming a To-Be-Built Public Waterfront Access the Nicholas M. Mavodones, Jr., Landing - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Mayor Snyder and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 9-0.

Resolve 6-21/22 Condemning Hate Speech and Vandalism and Standing with Chabad of Maine - Sponsored by Councilor Pious Ali

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Order 107-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating a \$75,000 United States Department of Justice Grant for Law Enforcement Accreditation - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Dion and seconded by Councilor Chong for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 108-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating a \$132,004 U.S. Department of Justice Grant for a De-escalation Training Program - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Dion and seconded by Councilor Ali for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 109-21/22 Amendment to Portland City Code Chapter 33 Re: Service Employees - Sponsored by Jen Thompson, Acting Corporation Counsel

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Fournier for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 110-21/22 Traffic Schedule Amendment - Alder Street Traffic Change - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 111-21/22 Extending for 180 days the Moratorium for Emergency Shelters in the Bayside Neighborhood - Sponsored by Kate Snyder, Mayor

Motion was made by Councilor Zarro and seconded by Councilor Ali to postpone Order 111 indefinitely. Passage 7-2 (Dion, Chong).

ORDERS:

Order 121-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating a \$429,496 Grant from the U.S. Small Business Administration to Support Merrill Auditorium Operating Costs - Sponsored by Danielle P. West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Chong to waive the second reading. Passage 9-0

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

Order 122-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating an Anonymous Donation of \$2,500 For Those In Need - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Chong and seconded by Councilor Fournier to waive the second reading. Passage 9-0.

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

Order 123-21/22 Setting a Special Election Re: Portland Board of Public Education Election on June 14, 2022 - Sponsored by Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Zarro for passage. Passage 9-0.

Order 124-21/22 Repealing the Declaration of an Emergency - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

Motion was made by Councilor Fournier and seconded by Councilor Zarro to postpone Order 124 to the January 3, 2022 City Council meeting. Passage 6-3 (Dion, Chong, Snyder).

Written Public Comment

Order 125-21/22 Accepting and Appropriating a \$9,940 grant from the State of Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry - Sponsored by Danielle West, Interim City Manager

This is its first reading.

Motion was made by Councilor Ali and seconded by Councilor Chong to adjourn. Passage 9-0 at 9:52 PM.

A TRUE RECORD

Katherine L. Jones, City Clerk

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