

REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 21, 2020  
TIME: 8:00 PM

IN CITY COUNCIL  
ABSENT  
LOCATION: CITY HALL, 140 MAIN STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR

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This meeting of the City Council will be held virtually on Monday, December 21, 2020 at 8:00 PM with Councilors attending in person and/or remotely. **NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE WILL BE PERMITTED.** This meeting will be televised on WMCT-TV (Comcast Channel 8 or Verizon/Fios Channel 34) or you can view the meeting using the link under the Meeting Videos tab on the city website ([www.marlborough-ma.gov](http://www.marlborough-ma.gov)).

1. Minutes, City Council Meeting, December 7, 2020.
2. Communication from Councilors Ossing and Tunnera, re: Municipal Aggregation – December 2020 Update.
3. Communication from the Mayor, re: Grant Acceptance in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration awarded to the Police Department to be used for municipal road safety.
4. Communication from the Mayor, re: Grant Acceptance in the amount of \$13,071.00 from the Department of Justice awarded to the Police Department for the purchase of equipment upgrades for first responders.
5. Communication from the Mayor, re: Grant Acceptance in the amount of \$6,000.00 from the Brigham Family Trust awarded to the Senior Center to be used for programming.
6. Communication from the Mayor, re: Gift Acceptance in the amount of \$3,000.00 for the Police Department from Michael Burnell, Lawrence Bertucci and Christina Barreira employees of Cummings Properties, LLC to be used for community outreach programs by the Police Department.
7. Communication from City Solicitor Jason Grossfield, re: Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 125 by adding a new §10(C) granting the Mayor authority to waive any two steps of the salary schedule and also adding a new §18(A) (4) allowing the Mayor the authority to grant an additional week of vacation time effective at the time of employment for all non-union personnel, in proper legal form, Order No. 20-1008108.
8. Application for Special Permit from Attorney Brian Falk, on behalf of Speedy Auto Repair, Inc., to relocate an existing auto body shop from 315 Maple Street to 412-418 Maple Street in the Commercial Automotive Zoning District; with a land area of less than one acre in addition to a preexisting nonconforming structure on the site.
9. Minutes of Boards, Commissions and Committees:
  - a) Board of Assessors, October 30, 2020 & November 24, 2020.
  - b) Library Board of Trustees, November 3, 2020.
  - c) Zoning Board of Appeals, November 17, 2020.

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

From Finance Committee

10. **Order No. 20-1008140: Transfer request in the amount of \$80,000.00 which moves funds from PEG Fund to IT Equipment to fund upgrades for Accela for various departments.**

**Recommendation of the Finance Committee is to approve.** On motion by Councilor Oram, seconded by Chair, the committee recommends approval of the transfer in the amount of \$80,000.00 from PEG Fund to IT Equipment to fund upgrades for Accela for various departments. Vote 5-0 Roll Call – all in favor: Irish, Dumais, Tunnera, Oram, Perlman.

From Public Services Committee

11. **Order No. 20-1008136A: Petition from Eversource Energy to install approximately 465' of 8" Intermediate Pressure Gas Main as part of a system improvement on South Street between 417 South Street and Maple Street.**

**Recommendation of the Public Services Committee is to approve with conditions.** On motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by Chair, the committee recommends approval of the petition from Eversource Energy to install 465' of 8" Intermediate Pressure Gas Main as part of a system improvement on South Street between 417 South Street and Maple Street, subject to the following three conditions from the City Engineer:

1. A field visit with Eversource and Engineering shall be conducted prior to the start of work so that the location of the new main within the roadway can be approved;
2. Final trench paving conditions shall be set forth in the Road Opening Permit;
3. This work shall not be permitted to start until the Spring of 2021.

Vote 3-0 Roll Call – all in favor: Perlman, Irish, Landers.

12. **Order No. 20-1008143: Application for renewal of Junk Dealer/Secondhand Dealer License from ecoATM, LLC, 601 Donald J. Lynch Boulevard.**

**Recommendation of the Public Services Committee is to approve.** On motion by Councilor Irish, seconded by Chair, the committee recommends approval of the renewal of the Junk Dealer/Secondhand Dealer License to ecoATM, LLC, 601 Donald Lynch Boulevard. Vote 3-0 Roll Call – all in favor: Perlman, Irish, Landers.

From Personnel Committee

13. **Order No. 20-1008108: Proposed Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 125 by adding a new §10(C) granting the Mayor authority to waive any two steps of the salary schedule and also adding a new §18(A) (4) allowing the Mayor the authority to grant an additional week of vacation time effective at the time of employment for all non-union personnel.**

**Recommendation of Personnel Committee is to approve as amended.** On a motion by Councilor Doucette, seconded by Chair, the committee recommends approval of Section 125-10C as amended by deleting the words, **'or during employment'** which would authorize the Mayor to waive two steps but only at the time of initial hiring and to remove the word **'any'** in new section 125-18 (A)(4) Vacations which will authorize the Mayor to grant an increase of up to one (1) additional week of annual vacation time which may be effective at (strike out the word **'any'**) time of employment. Vote 3-0.