6:30PM – AN ANTICIPATED “NON-MEETING” WITH COUNSEL RE: LITIGATION RSA 91- A:2, I (b)

I. CALL TO ORDER (6:30PM)

II. ROLL CALL

III. INVOCATION

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Poet Laureate (Proclamation will be handed out to City Council on Monday evening)

2. Police Week in Portsmouth – Peace Officers’ Memorial Day

3. Bike/Walk to Work Day

V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – APRIL 20, 2015

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BOND ISSUE AND/OR NOTES OF UP TO TWENTY THREE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($23,200,000.00) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PARKING FACILITY (Public Hearing kept open from the April 20, 2015 City Council meeting)

VIII. APPROVAL OF GRANTS/DONATIONS

(There are no items under this section of the agenda)

IX. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Resolution Authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($23,200,000.00) for the Construction of a New Parking Facility (Sample motion – move to Adopt the Proposed Resolution, as presented)
X. CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION WOULD BE IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

A. *Acceptance of Membership Dues to Art-Speak
   - Harbor Light Stage Inc. - $100.00
   *(Anticipated action – move to approve and accept the membership dues to the Piscataqua Arts & Cultural Alliance, a program of Art-Speak, as listed)*

B. Letter from Sister Mary Agnes, Run with the Cause, requesting to hold the 19th Annual St. Charles Children’s Home 5k Road Race at Pease International Tradeport on Monday, September 7, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. *(Anticipated Action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)*

C. Letter from Josh Pierce, Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders, requesting permission to allow SABR to host a commuter breakfast on Friday, May 15, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. *(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)*

D. Letter from Duncan Regonini, Portsmouth Professional Firefighters Local 1313, requesting permission to hold 2 boot drives, the first on Saturday, June 27, 2015, and the second on Saturday, August 8, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Market Square *(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)*

E. Request for License from James Woodhouse, owners of Louie’s for property located at 84-86 Pleasant Street for a projecting sign on an existing bracket *(Anticipated action – move to accept the recommendation of the Planning Director with the aforementioned stipulations and approve the request of James Woodhouse, owners of Louie’s for a projecting sign at property located at 84-86 Pleasant Street and, further, authorize the City Manager to execute License Agreements for this request)*

   **Planning Director’s Stipulations:**
   - The license shall be approved by the Legal Department as to content and form;
   - Any removal or relocation of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be done at no cost to the City; and
   - Any disturbance of a sidewalk, street or other public infrastructure resulting from the installation, relocation or removal of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be restored at no cost to the City and shall be subject to review and acceptance by the Department of Public Works

F. 2015 Omnibus Sidewalk Obstruction Renewals (Final) *(List Attached)* *(Anticipated Action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)*

G. Letter from Robert L. Sutherland, Jr., St. John’s Lodge No. 1, requesting permission to March from the William Pitt Tavern to St. John’s Church on Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. *(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)*
H. Letter from Mike Young, President of Portsmouth Babe Ruth, requesting permission to place 10 outfield signs on the inside of the fence at Leary Field (*Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power*)

XI. PRESENTATION & CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A. Friends of Sheafe Street Petition requesting “Residential Parking Only” on Sheafe Street from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday – Sunday, maximum day-time parking allowed and further to designate Residential Reserved evening Parking on Sheafe Street and not install Parking meters on the residential street (*Sample motion – move to refer to the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee for report back*)

B. Letter from Attorney Bernard Pelech regarding Portsmouth Land Acquisition, LLC Proposed Rezoning Bartlett Street and Route 1 Bypass Area (*Sample motion – move to refer to the Planning Board for report back*)

C. Letter from Michael Busby, Eversource Energy, regarding Proposed Hanover/High Street Underground Improvement Project (*Sample motion – move to refer to the Planning Board for report back*)

D. Letter from Delmira Pirini Morse regarding the pursuit of a Memorial for the Immigrants who resided in the North End

XII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

A. CITY MANAGER

*Items Which Require Action Under Other Sections of the Agenda*

1. Public Hearing and Adoption of Proposed Resolution:

   1.1 Public Hearing/Adoption of Resolution Authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($23,200,000.00) for the Construction of a New Parking Facility (*Action on this item should take place under Section IX of the Agenda*)

*City Manager’s Items Which Require Action:*

1. Request for First Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, Article VIII, Section 1.807 of the Ordinances – BEQUESTS OR GIFTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES (*Sample motion – move to authorize the City Manager to bring back for first reading at the May 18, 2015 City Council meeting the aforementioned Ordinance, as presented*)

2. Request for Approval of Parking Agreement with Connect Community Church
**Informational items**

1. Events Listing
2. Reminder Re: All Day City Council Budget Work Session with Departments
3. North End Character-Based Zoning Informational Meeting
4. Updated Schedule of Events Re: African Burying Ground
5. Seacoast Bike/Walk to Work Day
6. Work Session Re: Election of Mayor
7. May 2015 Meeting Coverage for Channel 22 and YouTube

**B. MAYOR LISTER**

1. Appointments to be Considered:
   - Appointment of Matthew Cardin to the Conservation Commission as a Regular member
   - Appointment of Kimberly Meuse to the Conservation Commission as a Regular member
   - Appointment of Kate Zamarchi to the Conservation Commission as a Regular member
   - Appointment of Adrianne Harrison to the Conservation Commission as an Alternate member
   - Appointment of Samantha Wright to the Conservation Commission as an Alternate member
   - Reappointment of Carl Diemer to the Recreation Board
   - Appointment of Patrick Moretti to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as a Regular member

**C. ASSISTANT MAYOR SPLAINE**

1. Arranging an Interactive Work Session for PS21 Topics on the Search for Walkability, On-Street Parking, and Street Flow

**D. COUNCILOR KENNEDY**

1. *Update on the Prescott Park Arts Festival

**E. COUNCILOR LOWN**

1. Parking & Traffic Safety Committee Action Items and Minutes of the April 9, 2015 meeting *(Sample motion – move to approve and accept the minutes of the April 9, 2015 Parking & Traffic Safety Committee meeting)*

**F. COUNCILOR MORGAN**

1. *Prescott Park Arts Festival
2. *May 11th Pease Development Authority Airport Committee meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the PDA Office Re: Helicopter Sales*
G. COUNCILOR THORSEN

1. New Parking Garage (Update)

XIII. MISCELLANEOUS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. *Notification that the minutes of the March 12, 2015; March 19, 2015 and March 26, 2015 meetings of the Planning Board are now available on the City’s website

*Indicates Verbal Report

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC WHO ARE HEARING IMPAIRED: Please contact Dianna Fogarty at 603-610-7270 one-week prior to the meeting for assistance.
The Council Chambers  
City Hall  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire  

A Proclamation

Whereas: Congress and the President of the United States have designated May 15th as Peace Officers’ Memorial Day and the week in which it falls as National Police Week; and

Whereas: The members of the Portsmouth Police Department play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of Portsmouth and the State of New Hampshire; and

Whereas: It is important that all citizens know and understand the duties, responsibilities, hazards, and sacrifices of their Police Department; and

Whereas: The members of our Police Department recognize their duty to serve the people by safeguarding life and property, by protecting them against violence and disorder, and by protecting the innocent against deception and the weak against oppression; and

Whereas: The men and women of the Portsmouth Police Department unceasingly provide a vital public service.

Now, therefore, I, Robert J. Lister, Mayor of the City of Portsmouth, on behalf of the members of the City Council, do hereby call upon all citizens of Portsmouth and upon all patriotic, civic, and educational organizations to observe the week of May 10th to May 16th, 2015, as

Police Week in Portsmouth

with appropriate ceremonies and observances in which all of our people may join in commemorating all law enforcement officers past and present who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered a dedicated service to their communities and, in so doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring reputation for preserving the rights and security of all citizens.

I further call upon all citizens of Portsmouth to observe May 15, 2015, as

Peace Officers’ Memorial Day

in honor of those law enforcement officers who, through their courageous deeds, have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community, or have become disabled in the performance of duty. Let us recognize and pay respect to the survivors of our fallen heroes, in particular, Brentwood Officer Steven Arkell, who gave his life in the line of duty a year ago next Tuesday, by lowering all City, State and American flags in Portsmouth to half staff on Friday, May 15, 2015.

Given with my hand and the Seal of the City of Portsmouth, on this 4th day of May, 2015.

Robert J. Lister, Mayor of Portsmouth
The Council Chambers  
City Hall  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire

A Proclamation

Whereas: May is National Bike Month and bicycling is an integral part of Portsmouth’s multi-modal transportation system; and

Whereas: Portsmouth is one of several municipalities participating in New Hampshire’s 13th annual Bike/Walk to Work Day; and

Whereas: Last year, there was a record turnout of bicycle and pedestrian commuters who took to the streets of the Seacoast aboard their bikes or in their walking shoes and visited one of eight commuter breakfasts in the region; and

Whereas: This year, there will be various locations offering free breakfast to participants who also will be fitting a workout into a busy day, reducing their pollution footprint, and avoiding traffic jams; and

Whereas: The goals of Bike/Walk to Work Day are to promote bicycling and walking as safe ways to get to work, decrease traffic congestion, improve air quality, and raise public awareness of opportunities to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the Seacoast; and

Whereas: If the average person biked or walked to work once every two weeks instead of driving, we could prevent the pollution of close to one billion gallons of gasoline from entering the atmosphere every year.

Now, therefore, I, Robert J. Lister, Mayor of the City of Portsmouth, on behalf of the members of the City Council and the citizens of Portsmouth, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 15, 2015, as

Bike/Walk to Work Day in Portsmouth

and encourage all citizens to celebrate by leaving their motor vehicles at home and making a healthy commute by walking or riding their bicycles.

Given with my hand and the Seal of the City of Portsmouth,
on this 15th day of May, 2015:

Robert J. Lister, Mayor of Portsmouth
At 6:00 p.m., a Work Session was held regarding the Proposed New Parking Facility located at 165 Deer Street.

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Lister called the regular City Council meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Lister, Assistant Mayor Splaine, Councilors Shaheen, Kennedy, Lown, Dwyer, Morgan, Spear and Thorsen

III. INVOCATION

Mayor Lister asked everyone to join in a moment of silent prayer.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fire Chief Achilles led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilor Morgan moved to suspend the rules in order to allow the Public Comment Session prior to the Presentation portion of the Agenda. Seconded by Councilor Kennedy.

On a roll call vote 3-6, motion failed to pass. Assistant Mayor Splaine, Councilors Kennedy and Morgan voted in favor. Councilors Shaheen, Lown, Dwyer, Spear, Thorsen and Mayor Lister voted opposed.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Review Response to the Heroin Epidemic – Police Chief Dubois & Police Commission

Police Chief Dubois provided a presentation on the Review Response to the Heroin Epidemic. He spoke to how easy the drug is to obtain and the drugs are coming through the hot spots in Massachusetts directly through our thoroughfare. He reported that the Fire Department now carries the drug Narcan to reverse the effects of heroin and the Police Department is looking to do the same. He spoke to the department’s involvement with mental health assistance and Operation Blessing to assist in dealing with this problem.

2. Wastewater Treatment Facility at Pease – Brian Goetz, Deputy Public Works Director & Terry Desmarais – City Engineer

Mayor Lister asked the City Council if they wish to delay this Presentation until the Work Session scheduled for Monday, April 27th on this matter.
Councilor Kennedy moved to hold off the Presentation until the Council Work Session on Monday, April 27th at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen and voted.

V. ACEPTANCE OF MINUTES – APRIL 6, 2015

Councilor Shaheen moved to approve and accept the minutes of the April 6, 2015 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Morgan and voted.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Mayor Lister said he would allow 2 ½ minutes for each person to speak due to the large number of speakers this evening.

Josh Denton spoke in support of the single plastic bag ordinance and said all stores will be required to use other types of bags at each checkout and there is no exception for the small stores except those stores selling produce. He said the ordinance would take effect one year upon passage. Mr. Denton said single use bags are having an environmental impact.

Kelly Shaw said people that do not live in the central business district have been forgotten. She said work was promised by the Parking Traffic & Safety Committee for Banfield Road which has not been done. She said there needs to be more of a police presence in this area as well. Ms. Shaw spoke in support of electing ward councilors that would be dedicated to the area for which they reside and there would be more of an equal representation for all residents in the City.

Rich DiPentima thanked the City Council for the actions taken thus far to protect the City from the Sea-3 expansion. He said this matter needs to continue to be addressed and the involvement of Portsmouth is imperative.

Ralph DiBernardo said the government needs to provide for public safety. He said the City is responsible for making sure everyone is safe. He said if UBER can’t accept the requirements of the City we are not the only community that has said no to them operating.

Mark Brighton said he has gathered 498 signatures for a petition against the plastic bag ordinance. He said if the Council was to pass such an ordinance he would challenge it.

Christopher David spoke in support of the extension for the Taxi Commission to have an additional 90 days to decide on the UBER issue. He said the City Council needs to be hands on to make sure the ordinance addresses UBER and their needs.
Rick of Livery Associates, Durham, NH spoke in support of the exclusion of limousines from the Transportation Services Ordinance. He said 90 days will put the City right in the middle of the high tourist time and that needs to be considered. He also spoke to the insurance issues with ride share companies.

Marjorie Andrews said Sea-3 will have a regional impact on the area and requested that the City keep working on this matter.

Merle White spoke against the 90 day extension for UBER. He said they should comply with the City ordinance. He said the City has a responsibility to its residents to ensure public safety.

Jeffrey Cooper said the current election system should remain as is. He said that this would cause a face off between candidates and special interest candidates.

David Soule, Newmarket, NH said he can accept the risk to take a ride with an UBER driver. He feels the taxi owners are angry because UBER creates competition.

Pat Ford asked the City Council to intervene in the Sea-3 matter. She said the Sea-3 expansion will cause more safety issues and increased risks to residents.

Arthur Clough said the City and Police Department owe the family and friends of Geraldine Webber an apology for not watching over her. He spoke to the investigation on this matter and said there are many holes without any answers being brought forward.

Joe Caldarola spoke regarding market research regarding the construction of a new garage to address our parking problems. He said the City has never tried to manage the parking. He spoke to adding parking incentives.

George Dempsey said it is terrible what happened to Ms Webber. He said there is no creditability anymore in the Police Department and asked why there was no elder abuse filed.

Rick Becksted asked why we would change the way our Mayor and City Council is elected. He said if this is what the people want it should be done through a petition to get the question on the ballot. If this is done then the entire Charter should be opened up for review.

Joe Onesko requested the City Council support the motion that Assistant Mayor Splaine will be bringing forward regarding the Webber Report. He said residents have a right to know what happened.

Kathleen Logan said she supports the comments made by prior speakers on the Webber matter. She agrees with the motion being brought forward by Assistant Mayor Splaine and would like the City Council to pass it when it is presented later this evening.

Peter Sommsich said there should be no more compromising with UBER. He said the proposed ordinance is a good one and that this Council has been disingenuous with the current taxi companies.
Dennis Acton, Fremont, NH, said he is a current UBER driver and they take their business seriously. He spoke to background checks and driver record checks as well as the cleanliness of the vehicles.

Crystal Paradis invited the City Council to attend a public forum on the Heroin Epidemic being held at the Music Hall on Monday, April 27th.

VII. PUBLIC HEARING

A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BOND ISSUE AND/OR NOTES OF UP TO TWENTY THREE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($23,200,000.00) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PARKING FACILITY

Mayor Lister read the legal notice, declared the public hearing open and called for speakers.

Everett Eaton, Economic Development Commission Chair, spoke to the criteria used to come forth with the locations for the new parking garage. He said sites owned and not owned by the City were looked at and the Deer Street site came to the top. Mr. Eaton stated this is the best option to fix the parking problem in the City.

Karen Logan said she has watched the development of the City grow around her and no matter what you change will not solve the parking problem. She said downtown is losing businesses because of the lack of parking.

Barbara DeStefano spoke in support of a new parking garage at the Deer Street site. She said this has been needed for 10 years and this is the perfect location.

Jeffrey Cooper said he is speaking to the matter. He expressed concern with the parking garage being looked at as the silver bullet to solve all the parking problems and it will not. He stated that the continued development is the reason we need a new parking garage.

Paul Mannle asked if the public would be allowed to speak to this matter at the May 4th City Council meeting. Mayor Lister said it is the intention of the Council to leave the public hearing open.

Arthur Clough said he is concerned with the quality of life in the City. He doesn’t feel adding more parking is the right decision when money is needed to create more sidewalks. He stated building a new parking garage is serving the needs of the developers.

Rick Becksted said he attended the EDC meeting last week when the presentation was given on the new parking garage. He said he is still trying to process the information and is pleased that the City is going to leave the public hearing open to allow for people to speak at the next meeting on this matter. He stated that the City needs to take into consideration that this might not solve the problem and then what happens. Mr. Becksted said he does not want to see a Band-Aid approach used to solve this situation.
Bob Marchewka stated there is a lack of parking and we have a site that will alleviate the issue. He said we need to do something. He said we are here for many reasons but we need to solve the parking problem.

Councilor Kennedy moved to keep the Public Hearing open on the proposed Resolution until the May 4, 2015 City Council meeting. Seconded by Assistant Mayor Splaine.

Councilor Kennedy asked if City Manager Bohenko would have the answers to the questions she brought forward at the last meeting for the May 4th City Council meeting. City Manager Bohenko said he would provide as much information as possible for Councilor Kennedy at the May 4th City Council meeting.

Motion passed.

At 9:20 p.m., Mayor Lister called for a brief recess. At 9:35 p.m., Mayor Lister called the meeting back to order.

IX. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

B. Second reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Article II – Taxicabs to be deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Article II entitled – Transportation Services (Postponed from the March 16, 2015 City Council meeting) (Sample motions: (1) move that the following sentence be added at the end of the first paragraph of Section 7.208 FARE REGULATION which shall read as follows:

“In no situation shall the fare for any single transportation service beginning and ending within the City of Portsmouth exceed the total sum of $25.00”

(Explanation not part of the motion: The maximum fare contained in the proposed amendment was based on input requested from Great Bay Taxi based upon the cost of a taxi ride under the current ordinance commencing at the Kittery town line and continuing to the Rye town line which is 5.1 miles, $21.95)

(2) move that Section 7.202 VEHICLE REGISTRATION of the proposed ordinance by the addition of the following sentence after the words “Transportation Services” and before the words “There shall be a fee...” which shall read as follows:

“The placard shall be displayed in such a manner as to be plainly visible from the exterior of the vehicle by any potential customer”

(3) move that the phrase, “on its date of issuance” in Section 7.207 ANNUAL RENEWAL: be deleted and replaced with “May 1st”

(4) move that the following new paragraph be added to Section 7.201 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES:
However, this ordinance shall not apply to the following:

a. **Limousine Services, which provide designated luxury or specialty vehicles by prior appointment for discrete functions**;

b. **Limousine Services, whose operation is limited to the transport of passengers by prior appointment from locations within the City of Portsmouth to destinations located outside of the City or the reverse.**

And further, authorize the City Manager to bring back for third and final reading the proposed Ordinance at the July 13, 2015 City Council meeting, as presented.

(Please note that on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 the Taxi Commission voted the following motion “Moved to allow taxi companies and ride sharing companies to continue to operate as they currently are while the Taxi Commission continues to work for the next 90 days with the City Attorney and the Council to consider ordinance changes.”)

Assistant Mayor Splaine moved to allow taxi companies and ride sharing companies to continue to operate as they currently are while the Taxi Commission continues to work for the next 90 days with the City Attorney and the Council to consider ordinance changes with a report back to the City Council at the July 13, 2015 City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Lown.

Assistant Mayor Splaine said the Taxi Commission has done some wonderful work on this issue and everyone is dedicated to find a solution to the situation. He said the City Council has a decision to make, either we fish or cut bait. He recommended the Council provide guidance to the Commission whether to do nothing or let the current ordinance stand. Assistant Mayor Splaine said the Taxi Commission wants to get this right and will continue to work for 90 days to find a way to fine tune the ordinance.

Councilor Shaheen said it is important for the Taxi Commission to receive feedback from the City Council on this matter. She said this is no way to do business and the Council needs to understand if there are safety measures in place. She said the registering of drivers is not as important to her because of the application UBER has. She does not feel background checks and the insurance issues have been adequately addressed.

Councilor Kennedy said we put children on buses with teachers and they’re required to have background checks. She said she wished the Council had set up a Committee to figure this out and leave the current ordinance in place. She will vote for this motion this evening but would not vote for another extension.

Councilor Morgan said she recognizes the extensive work by the Taxi Commission to this point and understands the frustration by current Taxi Companies.
Councilor Dwyer said the City Council does not receive minutes from the Taxi Commission and does not know how the issues are resolving in terms of this matter. She said we need City Council consensus on this and we need to know what the Council’s bottom line is on this matter. Councilor Dwyer expressed concern with the background checks and the insurance for UBER.

Councilor Thorsen said he did not like limousines in the ordinance as having to comply. He said he does not like the ordinance as written and feels that ride sharing is as far away as taxies and limousines are. He said he would vote for the extension because he wants ride sharing in the City. He expressed concern regarding liability issues surrounding UBER. City Attorney Sullivan stated he does not feel there is a liability issue in the case of the City.

Councilor Lown said he does not feel this is unfair to the taxi companies because they are not being asked to renew their taxi medallions. He said we need to realize that UBER is something people want and expect.

Councilor Spear asked what kind of direction does the City Council need to provide to the Taxi Commission.

Assistant Mayor Splaine said he never considered that the Commission was in any stage of negotiations but more of a fact finding mission. He said we would be eliminating the medallions under the new ordinance.

Mayor Lister passed the gavel to Assistant Mayor Splaine.

Mayor Lister said enough is enough and he would not vote for another extension. He said he would support the motion because of the work of Assistant Mayor Splaine and the Taxi Commission. He expressed concern regarding registering drivers and said he doesn’t understand why this is a big deal. He said we have an ordinance to follow and we can’t change our rules because someone doesn’t like them. Mayor Lister said that this is about public safety.

Assistant Mayor Splaine returned the gavel to Mayor Lister.

Motion passed.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION WOULD BE IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

A. Letter from Anne Rugg, commuteSMARTseacoast, requesting permission to hold a “Fix a Flat Clinic for Women” on Friday, May 15, 2015 as part of the Bike/Walk to Work Week in front of the North Church (Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power)
B. Request for License from Jeff Johnston on behalf of Portwalk HI, LLC, and Hanover Apartments, LLC owner, for property located at 35 Portwalk Place, the Green Elephant Bistro & Bar, to allow a marquee structure to project approximately 10 inches into the Deer Street right-of-way

(Anticipated action – move to accept the recommendation of the Planning Director with the aforementioned stipulations and approve the request of Jeff Johnston, on behalf of Portwalk HI, LLC and Hanover Apartments, LLC to allow a marquee structure at property located at 35 Portwalk Place and, further authorize the City Manager to execute License Agreements for this request)

Planning Director’s Stipulations:
- The license shall be approved by the Legal Department as to content and form;
- Any removal or relocation of the marquee structure, for any reason, shall be done at no cost to the City; and
- Any disturbance of a sidewalk, street or other public infrastructure resulting from the installation, relocation or removal of the marquee structure, for any reason, shall be restored at no cost to the City and shall be subject to review and acceptance by the Department of Public Works

C. Request for License from Jay McSharry, owners of The Franklin Oyster House for property located at 148 Fleet Street for a projecting sign on an existing bracket (Anticipated action – move to accept the recommendation of the Planning Director with the aforementioned stipulations and approve the request of Jay McSharry, owners of The Franklin Oyster House for a projecting sign at property located at 148 Fleet Street and, further, authorize the City Manager to execute License Agreements for this request)

Planning Director’s Stipulations:
- The license shall be approved by the Legal Department as to content and form;
- Any removal or relocation of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be done at no cost to the City; and
- Any disturbance of a sidewalk, street or other public infrastructure resulting from the installation, relocation or removal of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be restored at no cost to the City and shall be subject to review and acceptance by the Department of Public Works
D. Letter from Jay Diener, Co-Race Director, Seacoast Half Marathon, requesting permission to hold the half marathon on Sunday, November 8, 2015 *Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with power*)

Councilor Kennedy moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen and voted.

XI. PRESENTATION & CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

A. Letter from Attorney Thomas Watson, DrummondWoodsum, requesting a long term License or Rental Arrangement to a dedicated dock to accommodate the property owners Charles and Susan Lassen of Round Island their vessel on a 24/7 basis, that will also provide access to a city street, parking for motor vehicle, trash disposal and a mailbox

Councilor Kennedy recused herself from this item and left the dais.

Councilor Lown moved to refer to the City Manager with power. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen.

Councilor Dwyer said in the report back she would like to know if this is an exclusive use or not.

Councilor Kennedy returned to the dais.

Motion passed. Councilor Kennedy abstained from voting on this matter.

B. Letter from Chuck Rhoades, Seacoast Outright, requesting permission to hold a community-based, family-friendly Pride event on Saturday, June 27, 2015 and further seeking permission to block off Pleasant Street from State to Congress Streets from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. *(Sample motion – move to refer to the City Manager for report back to the City Council)*

Assistant Mayor Splaine moved to refer to the City Manager for report back to the City Council. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen and voted.

C. Letter from Gregg Hopkins, Newmarket International, Inc., requesting permission to hold a 5K Fun Run/Walk on Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Councilor Lown moved to refer to the City Manager with power. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen and voted.
XII. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

A. CITY MANAGER

1. Request for First Reading of Character Base Zoning – North End Ordinance

City Manager Bohenko said he would like to request to bring this back for a first reading at the June 1st City Council meeting and refer this to the Planning Board for recommendations.

Councilor Kennedy said last time we looked at Character Base Zoning we had a meeting at the Library to inform the public what we were doing and we need public input on this before it comes forward to the City Council for first reading.

Deputy City Manager Allen said that a meeting will be scheduled at the Library in the Levenson Room sometime in May.

Councilor Lown moved to authorize the City Manager to bring back for first reading the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Map, as presented, at the June 1, 2015 City Council meeting, and further, to refer the proposed amendments to the Planning Board for recommendations. Seconded by Councilor Kennedy and voted.

2. Requesting Approval for the City to Intervene in SEA-3 Site Review Evaluation

City Manager Bohenko said the City Council is aware of the background on this matter and this is a policy issue for the City Council to decide next steps.

Assistant Mayor Splaine moved to authorize the City Manager to direct the Legal Department to take any and all action necessary and appropriate to intervene on behalf of the City in the pending matter before the Site Evaluation Committee. Seconded by Councilor Kennedy.

Assistant Mayor Splaine said staff has done great work on this matter. He feels this is the right direction to move in and we need to make sure the City is safe with the cargo going through the City.

Councilor Shaheen said she would support the motion.

Councilor Lown said the Attorney General is going to carry the ball on this matter.

Mayor Lister thanked the Legal Department for their work on this matter.

Motion passed.
3. Request for License Encumbrance of Sidewalk and Parking Spaces Re: 275 Islington Street

City Manager Bohenko said that Green & Co. Real Estate is requesting a license to encumber the sidewalk and six parking spaces abutting 275 Islington Street, and the sidewalks on Cornwall and Rockingham Streets closest to Islington Street. He also stated the applicant seeking to encumber the area to facilitate demolition and construction activities for the first phase of the project from May 4, 2015 through December 7, 2015. He said the license area will be used as a staging and delivery area and there will be no meter bag daily fees charged for the encumbrance of the six parking spaces because there are no meters currently at the site. City Manager Bohenko further indicated that the applicant also requests a license to encumber the sidewalks abutting the length of the lot along Cornwall Street and Rockingham Street.

Councilor Lown moved to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a license with Green & Co. Real Estate to facilitate demolition and construction activities at 275 Islington Street. Seconded by Councilor Dwyer and voted.

City Manager’s Informational Items

2. Wastewater Treatment Master Plan Update – Work Session April 27th at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

City Manager Bohenko reminded the City Council of the WWT Master Plan Update Work Session will be held on Monday, April 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the Chambers.


City Manager Bohenko announced that the Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held on Saturday, May 30th, and if anyone should have any questions, contact the Public Works Department.

5. Senior Activity Center – Winter/Spring Update

City Manager Bohenko spoke to the Senior Activity Center Winter/Spring Update provided by Senior Services Coordinator Brinn Chute.

6. Public Meeting Video Coverage

City Manager Bohenko informed the City Council that the video coverage would cost an additional $10,000.00 and he would recommend having this implemented next fiscal year. He will work with Board and Commission Chairs to have the meetings in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers.

Councilor Kennedy thanked City Manager Bohenko for the report. She is pleased that we will have all the meetings on YouTube. She requested that a list of when meetings are held and
when they will be replayed be posted on Channel 22 because a person contacted her that
does not have a computer. City Manager Bohenko said he would have to take a look at this.

Councilor Shaheen wondered if this provides more flexibility where the meetings are held. City Manager Bohenko said we could work towards that if there is a reason why we can’t meet in the Chamber and must meet in another room. He would work on this matter. Councilor Shaheen said she has heard that people would not want to have every City Council meeting in the Chambers but for the Council to go out in the community. City Manager Bohenko said it would not be a live broadcast. Assistant Mayor Splaine said we could start this in July. City Manager Bohenko said given the public interest in the Taxi Commission we could find a way to have it here in the Chambers. He said we could have the Taxi Commission, Parking & Traffic Safety Committee and Site Review Technical Advisory Committee. Councilor Dwyer said we should do this but we need to find a better way to organize the meetings by categories. Councilor Thorsen said he would like to know the major costs to implement this for a meeting. City Manager Bohenko reported that the individuals receive a stipend per meeting.

Councilor Morgan asked about the budget schedule for the public hearing on May 11th because some Councilors would like to attend the public hearing being held at Pease that evening.

Councilor Shaheen moved to suspend the rules in order to continue the meeting briefly beyond 10:00 p.m. Seconded by Councilor Kennedy and voted.

**B. MAYOR LISTER**

1. Appointments to be Voted:

Councilor Kennedy moved to reappoint Ronald Poulin to the Cable Television and Communications Commission until April 1, 2018. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen and voted.

Assistant Mayor Splaine moved to reappoint MaryAnn Blanchard to the Conservation Commission until April 1, 2018. Seconded by Councilor Lown and voted.

Councilor Kennedy moved to reappoint of Gibson “Mike” Kennedy to the Portsmouth Housing Authority until April 1, 2020. Seconded by Councilor Lown and voted. Councilor Shaheen abstained from voting on this matter.

Councilor Shaheen moved to reappoint of Kathryn Lynch to the Recreation Board until April 1, 2018. Seconded by Councilor Dwyer and voted.
C. ASSISTANT MAYOR SPLAINE

1. Public Transparency and Openness in Presentation of the Webber Investigation Report

Assistant Mayor Splaine moved that the City Council requests that the investigative report into the Webber Estate matter conducted by the Roberts Task Force Panel be submitted jointly to the City Council and the Police Commission when it is completed, and that it become fully public and transparent at that time. Seconded by Councilor Morgan.

Assistant Mayor Splaine stated he wants to make sure when the report is completed it is submitted to the City Council and Police Commission for review and made public. He said he would like to see the report completed before the court deals with this matter.

Councilor Lown spoke against the motion and feels it is unnecessary. He said Commissioner Golumb would receive the report and review it and he has no intention of redacting any part of the report.

Councilor Thorsen said he also agrees that this motion is unnecessary. He is concerned that people have time to read through the report.

Councilor Dwyer said she agrees with Councilor’s Lown and Thorsen. She said the report will be about the Police Department and its procedures not about the will. She stated the report will not focus on the issues that will be decided and heard by the court. Councilor Shaheen said she would support the motion to ask that the report be released to the public at the time it is provided to the Police Commission and City Council.

Councilor Kennedy spoke in support of the motion and said that this will give the public transparency.

Mayor Lister passed the gavel to Assistant Mayor Splaine.

Mayor Lister said we all want transparency and to get to the bottom of this matter. He respects the process and we agreed to stay out of this until we receive the report. The Police Commission needs to receive the report first and then share it with the City Council and then the public.

Assistant Mayor Splaine returned the gavel to Mayor Lister.

On a roll call vote 4-5, motion that the City Council requests that the investigative report into the Webber Estate matter conducted by the Roberts task force panel be submitted jointly to the City Council and the Police Commission when it is completed, and that it become fully public and transparent at that time failed to pass. Assistant Mayor Splaine, Councilors Shaheen, Kennedy, Morgan voted in favor. Councilors Lown, Dwyer, Spear, Thorsen and Mayor Lister voted opposed.
D. COUNCILOR LOWN

1. Parking & Traffic Safety Committee Minutes of March 12, 2015 (Referred back from April 6, 2015 City Council meeting)

Councilor Lown said the City Council asked at the last meeting for more in depth information on the minutes of the March 12th meeting of the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee.

Councilor Dwyer moved to approve and accept the minutes of the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee meeting of March 12, 2015. Seconded by Councilor Shaheen.

Councilor Kennedy asked given the concerns brought forward at the Planning Board would any of that warrant going back to the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee. City Manager Bohenko said at this point it is in the hands of the Planning Board and they would have say and there would be discussion on that issue. He further stated it would be voted on at the Planning Board as part of the Site Plan unless the Planning Board votes to refer it back to the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee. Councilor Kennedy said she does not feel this was fully vetted and would like it to go back to the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee for further consideration. City Manager Bohenko said it is the Planning Board that would decide whether this needs to go back to the Parking & Traffic Safety Committee.

Councilor Spear addressed the loss of 20 spaces on Deer and Russell Streets. He said he hopes between now and next year we look at those roads to squeeze in one lane of traffic.

Assistant Mayor Splaine said he has been watching this issue very carefully. He supports the request of HarborCorp for the CUP and feels they are making a good project. He said the CUP is something that could be supported but there needs to be some work on the map and the back of the building. Assistant Mayor Splaine said we need commitments for satellite parking and asked if it would be useful to have the City Council, Planning Board, Historic District Commission led by staff, have a site walk of the area to get a grasp of the size. City Manager Bohenko said he would like to consult with the City Attorney and Planning Board on this matter. Assistant Mayor Splaine asked City Manager Bohenko to report back on this at the next City Council meeting.

Councilor Morgan said questions raised at the Planning Board are serious and should be sent back to Parking & Traffic Safety Committee on the issues and impact on the traffic flow.

Motion passed. Assistant Mayor Splaine and Councilor Kennedy voted opposed.

E. COUNCILOR MORGAN

1. Testimonies to the NH Legislature on policy issues

Councilor Morgan said on February 2nd the City Council received copies of testimony from staff on behalf of the City of Portsmouth and the City Council had not taken a position on any of the testimony. She said any position taken by the City of Portsmouth should be by the City Council.
Councilor Morgan moved to authorize the City Manager and his Deputies to coordinate and submit testimonies to the NH Legislature for which the City Council has issued an official position. No testimonies taking positions on behalf of the City of Portsmouth can be submitted or presented otherwise, further to instruct the City Manager to have such testimony posted on the City Website for public information within 1 business day of submitting any testimony. Seconded by Councilor Kennedy.

Councilor Thorsen said he was surprised by some testimony not coming before the City Council.

Mayor Lister passed the gavel to Assistant Mayor Splaine.

Mayor Lister said staff is well prepared and look out for the City Council and the City of Portsmouth’s best interest and sometimes we need to act quickly. He spoke of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Council and said the meetings are open to the public and all members of the Council are invited to attend.

Assistant Mayor Splaine returned the gavel to Mayor Lister.

Councilor Morgan said that this is not a criticism to the Subcommittee.

Assistant Mayor Splaine said whether the motion passes it is a question of staff awareness. He said this is not distrust of the Subcommittee and he feels that these matters should go through the City Council. He said we can provide testimony without taking a position.

Councilor Shaheen said the key concern supporting the motion is rendering the Subcommittee irrelevant to the Legislature in Concord, NH. She said we don’t want to compromise our ability to weigh in. She said legislation changes rapidly and on the ground and that can’t happen at this level. She said the City plays an important role in the State and it would be a shame if we can’t weigh in on matters and for that reason she would vote against the motion.

Councilor Dwyer said she agrees with Councilor Shaheen and things move rapidly in Concord, NH. She said the City was irrelevant before the Legislative Committee. She said we receive well respected testimony and are making head way on some things. She said people could get much more involved if they want to. She said the first item is a standing policy and it has been provided to the City Council. She said if we lose Portsmouth’s voice in the Legislature we would be making a real mistake. She said policy is a line of action and many items do not have a great deal of time between when the hearing would be held.

Councilor Kennedy said in the last 2 ½ years she had to testify against the City and the issue she testified against had not come before the City Council. She said recently she testified against the City and was with residents and it was uncomfortable for her.

Councilor Spear spoke in support of the Legislative Subcommittee for all the reasons stated by Councilor’s Shaheen and Dwyer. He said this would put an end to all testimony.
Councilor Lown said the problem is the City Council overkills and over analyzes everything. The issue is one of trust and the City Manager knows what is in the best interest of the City Council.

On a roll call vote 3-6, motion to authorize the City Manager and his Deputies to coordinate and submit testimonies to the NH Legislature for which the City Council has issued an official position. No testimonies taking positions on behalf of the City of Portsmouth can be submitted or presented otherwise, further to instruct the City Manager to have such testimony posted on the City Website for public information within 1 business day of submitting any testimony failed to pass. Assistant Mayor Splaine, Councilors Kennedy and Morgan voted in favor. Councilors Shaheen, Lown, Dwyer, Spear, Thorsen and Mayor Lister voted opposed.

F. COUNCILOR SPEAR

1. Peirce Island Entrance Fee

Councilor Spear moved to request the Peirce Island Committee to study the feasibility of an entrance fee for the use of Peirce Island for non-residents. Seconded by Councilor Lown.

Councilor Spear said other communities are doing this and he feels it is worthy of discussion.

Councilor Thorsen said he is in favor of discussing this but is not sure installing a gate and charging is the right thing.

Councilor Kennedy said any ideas or thoughts should be presented to the Peirce Island Committee. She said the Council should provide more direction to the Committee as to what you are expecting for a report back.

City Manager Bohenko said he could work with Councilor Spear on those items and we need to look at certain grant monies we accepted.

Councilor Kennedy asked if there is a date for a report back because traditionally the Committee does not meet in the summer.

Motion passed.

G. COUNCILOR THORSEN

1. Casinos
2. Transportation Services Ordinance Policy Analysis
3. Parking Fees

Councilor Thorsen said his items are informational only.
XIII. MISCELLANEOUS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:45 p.m., Councilor Kennedy moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Morgan and voted.

Kelli L. Barnaby
Kelli L. Barnaby, MMC, CMC, CNHMC
City Clerk
RESOLUTION # – 2015

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BOND ISSUE AND/OR NOTES OF UP TO TWENTY THREE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($23,200,000) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PARKING FACILITY.

BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT, the sum of up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($23,200,000) is appropriated for the construction of a New Parking Facility;

THAT, to meet this appropriation, the City Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is authorized to borrow, on a competitive or negotiated basis, up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($23,200,000) through the issuance of bonds and/or notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act;

THAT the expected useful life of the project is determined to be at least twenty (20) years, and;

THAT this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

APPROVED:

___________________________  ROBERT J. LISTER, MAYOR

ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL

___________________________  KELLI BARNABY, MMC
CITY CLERK
Portsmouth City Council

A Public-Private Partnership to Construct a 600 +/- Space Public Parking Garage Structure and Liner Building at 165 Deer Street

May 4th, 2015

A Report and Recommendation Developed by the Economic Development Commission and the City Manager

Project Overview

1. **EDC Subcommittee Activities**
2. **Preliminary Level Planning and Design**
   1. The North End Vision
   2. Disposition Plan
   3. Walkability and Bicycle features
   4. Civic Space
3. **Pro-forma**
4. **Next Steps & Timeline**
   1. Development Agreement
   2. Bond Authorization
   3. Design and Permitting
   4. Construction
5. **Economic Analysis Appendix**
   1. Direct and external impacts
EDC Sub-Committee’s Charge

... To evaluate and identify a suitable location within the downtown for a new municipal parking structure that will support existing and future parking demand.

Sub-Committee Actions


2. Identified and evaluated over 20 public- and privately-owned parcels that might support a municipal parking structure.

3. Reduced the list of potentially suitable sites using general criteria then refined the list using the evaluation criteria from the 2012 study.

4. Contacted the property owners of the short-listed sites to explore interest.

5. Developed a conceptual site plan for a municipal parking garage, evaluated the zoning regulations, and a work plan for next steps.
Recommendation

To evaluate the feasibility of developing a private-public partnership for construction of a 600 +/- space municipal parking structure at 165 Deer Street.

Project Overview

• The North End Vision Plan
• Civic Space
• Micro-Apartments
North End Vision Plan

- Liner Buildings
- Civic Space
- Micro-Apartments

Location Plan

- Proposed Parking Garage
- Bridge Street Parking Lot
- Heinemann Building
- Rock Street Park
- North Mill Pond
Disposition Plan

Garage Layout

600+/- Space, 6 Story/7 Level, 57 Foot Municipal Garage with Liner Buildings
Enhanced Walkability and Bicycle Elements

1. Multi-Storied Linear Buildings to Screen Parking Garage
2. Wide Sidewalks & Street Furniture
3. Bicycle Accommodation & Added Surface Parking
4. Additional Active Ground-Floor Uses Areas
5. Added Active and Passive Civic Spaces

New Civic Space

Civic Space

Parking Garage with Micro-Apartments
Mixed-Use Liner Building

50-70 Feet
Future Civic Space

West End
Recreational Path
North Mill Pond

Main Components of the Municipal Parking Garage Project

Public Parking Garage - 650 spaces
Mixed-Use Building
Public Parking Garage
DPM Upper Building

Micro-Apartments
Ground-Floor Commercial
Civic Space
Mixed-Use Building
Pro Forma for the Proposed Deer Street Parking Garage

A  600 Spaces
B  Soft Costs $5,200,000
C  Construction Costs $18,000,000 ($30,000 per space)
D  Total Cost to be Bonded $23,200,000
E  Total Annual expenditures include:
    Bond repayment to include interest and principal
    Bond issuance cost (first year only)
    Facility operating costs using High Hanover per space costs of $400 with minimal FTE’s

Existing Pass-Holder & Transient Users of the High-Hanover Garage

FACTS:
High Hanover Parking Facility -
877 Paying Spaces (18 reserved for Handicap and 8 for employees: 903 total)
PASS HOLDERS:
- Currently 750 passes (390-12 Hr and 360-24 Hr) issued with a waiting list of 100
TRANSIENT USAGE:
- On average, available spaces for hourly usage are utilized approximately 60% of time during 14 hour period (8am to 10pm)
Projected Pass-Holder & Transient Use of the New Deer Street Garage

Deer Street New Parking Facility of 600 spaces

F Pass Holders:
- Move 300 pass holders (50 on waiting list and 250 issued passes) from the High Hanover Parking Facility to Deer Street facility
- Charge reduced pass rates $100 - 12 hr pass $125 - 24 hr pass

G Transients:
- Remaining 300 spaces project using 40% of available time 8am - 10pm (14 hrs)
  Note: High Hanover utilization rate is approximately 60% during same time period
- Charge current High Hanover hourly rate $1.00 per hour

Existing & Proposed Pass-Holder & Transient (Hourly) Rates for the High-Hanover Garage

H Pass Holders:
- Increase rate for remaining 500 pass holders

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High Hanover Parking Facility

I Transients:
- Increase High Hanover hourly rate from $1.00 per hour to $1.25
- Utilize the spaces freed up from moving 250 pass holders to New Parking Facility
- Calculate the usage using only 150 of freed spaces at 60% of available time
Existing and Proposed Meter-Rates

On Street Meter Rates

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Projected Parking Rate Summary

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| High Hanover Parking Facility    |               |                         |
| Transient Hourly                 | $1.00         | $1.25                   |
| Pass Holders                     | $110          | $125                    |
| 12 Hr Monthly                    | $135          | $150                    |
| 24 Hr Monthly                    |               |                         |

| Parking Meters (825 metered spaces) | | |
| High Occupancy Spaces (157) Hourly | $1.50 | $2.00 |
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## Projected Expenditures for the New Deer Street Garage

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## Projected New Meter-Revenue

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### Summary of Existing & Projected Parking Revenue & Distribution

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**Total Bonding = $23,200,000**

### Summary of New Parking Expenditures & Revenues

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**Note:** All Surplus income will be added to the General Fund

The General Fund is budgeted to receive Parking-related revenue in FY15 of **$2,412,305**

(1) FY17 additional surplus revenue of $146,075 could be used to fund Resident Parking Discount Program
Next Steps

1. Revised Letter of Intent (Non-Binding) - May, 2015
2. Site Analysis - (Ongoing)
3. Financial Analysis (Ongoing)

Questions & Comments

A Public-Private Partnership to Construct a 600 +/- Space Public Parking Garage Structure and Liner Building at 165 Deer Street

May 4th, 2015

A Report and Recommendation Developed by the Economic Development Commission and the City Manager
Economic Impact Analysis
Appendix

Direct and External Impacts of the Proposed Deer St. Parking Garage

Presentation to the Portsmouth City Council
April 20, 2015

PolEcon Research
Dover, NH
bgottlob@poleconresearch.com
(603) 988-9779
The Proposed Deer St. Public-Private Parking Garage Project Will Have Direct, Indirect and External Impacts

- Increase in Jobs and Income from Construction Activity
- Increase in Jobs and Income from Ongoing Operations & Business Activity of Properties Included in the Project
- Increase in Property Tax Base:
  - Direct - via front liner, Hill St., micro apt., and commercial liner buildings
  - Indirect via increase in publicly available parking that benefits and is capitalized in commercial property values
- Impact on Parking Availability in Downtown District
- Impact on Traffic Congestion
- Environmental Impacts (Reductions in CO2 Emissions) Via Reduction in Vehicle Miles Traveled While “Cruising” for Curbside Parking

Combined, the Proposed Public-Private Garage Project Will Support a Total of 497 Jobs During Construction Activity

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* Garage construction includes sewer and road improvements as well as 3,000 sq. ft commercial liner building
A Total of $28.2 Million in Labor Income Will be Earned as a Result of the Proposed Public-Private Deer St. Garage Project

The Annual (Ongoing) Employment Impacts of Proposed Deer St. Public-Private Parking Garage Project Will Depend on a Number of Factors Including:

- The Industry Mix of Liner Building Occupants
- Whether Organizations are New to Portsmouth or Relocate from Another City Location
- Occupancy Rates
Ongoing Employment Impacts Estimated Based on Building Space, Industry Averages and Assume a Mix of “Office Using” Industries in the Non-Restaurant Portion of the Front Liner Building

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* Garage construction includes sewer and road improvements as well as 3,000 sq. ft commercial liner building

The Deer St. Project is Different From Most Other Development Projects - it Has External Benefits That are as Large or Larger Than Direct Impacts
The Impact of the Proposed Deer St. Garage on the Total Number of Parking Spaces in the City Will be Large and Have Significant External Impacts Beyond Parking

Percent Increase in Public & Private Parking

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We Calculated External Impacts for Larger and Smaller Areas of the City but Focus Our Results on the Downtown Overlay District

[Map Image]
With the Exception of Merrimack (Due to New Large Retail Complex) Portsmouth is Tops in Job Growth Among Cities in NH (2003-2013)

Portsmouth’s Strong Commercial/Industrial Tax Base Allows a Higher Level of Community Services to be Provided at a Relatively Lower Cost to Residential Property Owners. However, the Impending Sale of Eversource’s Schiller Station will impact the City’s Tax Base.
As a Result of Portsmouth Strong Commercial/Industrial Tax Base The City’s Property Tax Rate is Lower Than all Cities in NH.

Increasing the Supply of Publicly Available Parking and Reducing Traffic Congestion Increases Property Values in the Downtown. Along With DSA’s Investments This Will Increase Property Valuation by Between $46 and $56 Million (Half of the Potential Loss from Utility Properties)
Publicly Available Parking Adds About Three Times as Much Value to Commercial Properties in the Downtown Overlay District as Does Private Parking. (On-site Parking Only Benefits Neighboring Properties to the Extent that it Reduces Traffic Search and Congestion Generated by the Property it Belongs to, While Public Parking Can Reduce Parking Search and Related Congestion Generally).

Garage Impact on Property Valuation in Downtown Overlay District

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Increased Property Values in the Overlay District and Resulting Tax Revenues From Garage Construction Will Cover an Estimated 16% to 21% of Bond Payments. Including Revenue From Micro Apts., Garage Liner, Front Liner, & Hill St. Bldg. Would Cover and Estimated 41% to 50%

Estimated Property Tax Revenues**

**Based on current total tax rate of $18.10 less $1.16 county portion of tax rate
Our Model of Vehicle Miles Traveled, Traffic Congestion and CO2 Emissions Allows Estimation of Impacts for a Near Infinite Number of Scenarios Using Different Inputs and Assumptions Including:

- The Number of Curbside Parking Spaces
- The Utilization Rate (How Full & How Often) of Curbside Parking
- The Avg. Turnover (How Many Cars Use Each Space Each Day) of Curbside Spaces
- The Avg. Length of Time Spent Searching (“Cruising”) for Curbside Parking
- The Avg. Speed (MPH) of Drivers Searching for Parking
- The Avg. Mileage (MPG) of Vehicles Searching for Parking

- Using Almost Any Set of Inputs and Assumptions, Searching for Parking Creates Dramatic Increases in Vehicle Miles, Congestion, and CO2 Emissions in Portsmouth

On-Street Parking Utilization Rates in the City are High
In a Baseline Scenario, “Cruising” for Curbside Parking in Portsmouth Produces an Additional 2.5 to 4.3 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled Annually in the Downtown Overlay District

**Assumes 9 Daily Turnovers per Curbside Space and a 7.9 minute search time @ 12 mph.

Increasing Publicly Available “Off-Street” Parking at the Proposed Deer St. Garage, Along With Appropriate Pricing of all City Parking, Provides Environmental and “Livability” Benefits

- Reducing Parking Search “Cruise” Time
- Reducing “Cruising” Limits the Number of Entries & Exits From Curbside Spaces and Increases Traffic Flow
- Collectively Reducing Road Congestion
- Increases “Walkability” of Downtown
- Reduces Vehicle Miles Traveled in the Downtown and Related CO2 Emissions
As Search Times for Curbside Parking (Cruising) Increase, Additional Vehicle Miles Traveled (and Traffic Congestion) in the Downtown Overlay District Increase Dramatically

Vehicles That “Cruise” for Curbside Parking Add to the Number of Drivers on the Road at any Time and They Have a Greater Impact on Traffic Congestion Than Does Thru Traffic

**Assumes Avg. of 9 Daily Turnovers per Curbside Space**
Conclusions

- Large Job and Income Gains Will Accrue From Garage and Building Construction Activity
- Increase in Property Tax Base ($28.5 to $31.7 Million) Just From Front Liner, Hill St., Comm. Liner & Apt Construction
- But “External” Benefits May Be Greater
- Off-site Parking is Positively Associated with Commercial/Industrial Property Prices.
- Reduced Traffic and Congestion Benefit Residents but also Commercial Properties and are Capitalized in Commercial Values. Small Increases in Individual Property Values are Aggregated Across Downtown Properties into Large Total Benefits in Property Values ($17.9 to $23.8 Million)
- Publicly Available Off-Site Parking Generates About Three Times the External Benefits in the Portsmouth Downtown as Parking that is not Publicly Accessible.
Conclusions cont.

• The External Benefit to Property Values is a Significant Proportion of the Costs of Parking Construction

• One Implication: On Average, Communities are Better Off if they Allow Property Owners to Pay Fees to be Used for Construction of Nearby Publicly Available Parking in Lieu of Parking Requirements

• “Cruising” for Parking Dramatically Increases Vehicle Miles Traveled in the Downtown, Increasing Traffic Congestion While Reducing Walkability and Producing Thousands of Tons of CO2

• Increasing Publicly Available Parking in the Downtown by 10% to 21% Will Significantly Reduce Vehicle Miles, Traffic Congestion, and CO2 Emissions
April 20, 2015

John Bohenko
City Manager
1 Junkins Ave.
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Dear Mr. Bohenko:

The 19th Annual St. Charles Children’s Home 5K held on Labor Day at the Pease International Tradeport would like to ask your permission once again to hold the St. Charles Children’s Home 5K Road Race at Pease International Tradeport on September 7, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

As in the past, we will communicate and obtain the required insurance for the City of Portsmouth, as well as Martin’s Point Healthcare and the Pease Development Authority. We also will be hiring the Portsmouth Police department to provide coverage and secure an EMT to cover medical needs. Our large pool of volunteers will make sure the event runs smoothly and that the area is left spotlessly clean by 1:00 PM.

Thank you for your time and attention toward making this a safe and successful event.

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Agnes, DMML, MBA
Administrator

Sister Mary Agnes (603) 781-3108
sma@stcharleshome.net • www.runningnuns.com/race
MEMORANDUM

TO: City of Portsmouth Councilors

FROM: Josh Pierce, Seacoast Area Bicycle Routes

DATE: April 14, 2015

RE: Seacoast Bike/Walk to Work Day

Friday May 15, 2015 will be Bike/Walk to Work Day in the Seacoast. To mark the event, Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders (SABR), the Rockingham Planning Commission, and a range of other businesses and organizations are jointly planning a series of Commuter Breakfasts in the towns of Dover, Durham, Exeter, North Hampton, Portsmouth, Pease Tradeport, Newmarket, Lee and the Stratham Industrial Park.

For the last 12 years SABR has held an alternative commuter breakfast in Market Square on the third Friday of May. For the past seven years we have done so at Popovers on Market Square, using their sidewalk permit and relying on Popovers for all of our food and beverages.

The goals of Bike/Walk to Work Day 2015 are to promote bicycling and walking as healthy and safe ways to get to work, decrease traffic congestion, improve air quality, and raise public awareness of opportunities to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the Seacoast.

In 2014 we had a record turnout of bicycle and pedestrian commuters, and we hope to see similar gains this year. We also see the commuter breakfasts as an opportunity for town parks and recreation programs to pass out information on upcoming summer programs, and gather input from cyclists and walkers on bicycle and pedestrian needs.

Requested Action:

On behalf of the coalition of project organizers, SABR respectfully requests that the Portsmouth City Council allow SABR to host a commuter breakfast from 7 – 10 a.m. on Friday, May 15 at Popovers on Market Square. SABR also respectfully requests that the Portsmouth city Council officially recognize May 15 as Bike/Walk to Work Day in Portsmouth.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Josh Pierce
President

Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders Board of Directors

Josh Pierce
President

Scott Bogle
Secretary

Nicole Vinet
Treasurer

Debra Chase
Jeff Latimer

Andrew Richmond
Anne Rugg

Rich Matthes
April 21, 2015

Mayor Robert Lister and City Council
Portsmouth City Hall
1 Junkins Ave.
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Honorable Mayor Lister and members of the City Council:

The International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) is the largest contributor to the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) nationwide. The Portsmouth Professional Firefighters Local 1313 membership are proud members of the IAFF and have annually supported the MDA with their fundraising efforts for many years. Last year the members of Local 1313 raised over $9,000 through our Fill-the-Boot campaign.

The Fill-the-Boot Drive is a voluntary “toll booth”, which has been traditionally located at Market Square. During the event, firefighters collect donations for the MDA from passing motorists and pedestrians. Our Fill-the-Boot campaign has been so successful in the past because of the support of the City Council.

Once again, we are asking for the City Council to support our efforts in assisting the MDA. We respectfully request permission to hold two boot drives this year, the first on Saturday, June 27, and the second on Saturday, August 8. We would collect donations between the hours of 8am to 5 pm. We would like to continue to utilize the Market Square location as it has been very successful for us in the past.

The Portsmouth Professional Firefighters began its fundraising efforts for MDA over 13 years ago. Each year the money collected has benefited afflicted children from Portsmouth, the surrounding seacoast, and across the State of New Hampshire. This year our goal is to raise $10,000 for this worthy cause, and with the City Council’s support we believe we can achieve this.

The Portsmouth Professional Firefighters look forward to working with you on this, and would like to thank you for your continued support in our efforts to help the MDA. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Firefighter Tim Dame at 603-834-1896.

Sincerely,

Duncan J. Regonini, Secretary
Portsmouth Professional Firefighters Local 1313
MEMORANDUM

TO: John P. Bohenko, City Manager
FROM: Rick Taintor, Planning Director
DATE: May 4, 2015
RE: City Council Referral – Projecting Sign
   Address: 84-86 Pleasant Street
   Business Name: Louie’s
   Business Owner: James Woodhouse

Permission is being sought to install a projecting sign on an existing bracket, as follows:
   Sign dimensions: 48” x 36”
   Sign area: 12.0 sq. ft.
   Height from sidewalk to bottom of sign: 7’6”

The proposed sign complies with zoning requirements. If a license is granted by the City Council, no other municipal approvals are needed. Therefore, I recommend approval of a revocable municipal license, subject to the following conditions:

1. The license shall be approved by the Legal Department as to content and form;
2. Any removal or relocation of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be done at no cost to the City; and
3. Any disturbance of a sidewalk, street or other public infrastructure resulting from the installation, relocation or removal of the projecting sign, for any reason, shall be restored at no cost to the City and shall be subject to review and acceptance by the Department of Public Works.
Isolino, LLC, dba Louie’s
86 Pleasant St.
1 Projecting Sign
DIMENSIONS

MOCKUP

RELATIONSHIP TO STREET

SIDEWALK TO TOP OF BLADE SIGN
134"

BOTTOM OF BLADE SIGN TO SIDEWALK
92"

BLADE SIGN
Memo

To: Mayor Robert Lister and City Council
From: Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk
Date: May 4, 2015
Re: 2015 Omnibus Sidewalk Obstruction Renewals (Final)

Please find attached the final listing of 2015 Omnibus sidewalk obstruction renewal applications without changes, submitted thus far and that have met the appropriate insurance and fee requirements.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly or via e-mail at klbarnaby@cityofportsmouth.com.

cc: John P. Bohenko, City Manager
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April 28, 2015
To: The City Manager
1 Junkins Ave.
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Dear Mr. Bohenko

The Worshipful Master of St. John’s Lodge No. 1 Wor. Bro Rod MacDonald request that the Offices and member be allowed to march to St John’s Church, Chapel St. Portsmouth NH, we will be taking a route from the William Pitt Tavern on Court Street crossing State St. then up Chapel St to the Church. The date for this even will be June 21st for the observance of St. John’s Sunday at (Queen Chapel ) St John’s Church in Portsmouth for the 260th time.

Lodge will be opened at the William Pitt Tavern at 8:30 AM and the procession will step off at 9:00 AM for services at 9:30 AM. We will return to the Tavern, following the service.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Sutherland Jr.

RW Robert L. Sutherland, Jr.
Sectary: robert7615@aol.com
630-828-5246
John Bohenko
City Manager, City of Portsmouth
1 Junkins Ave
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Dear Mr. Bohenko,

On behalf of the Portsmouth Babe Ruth, I wanted to thank you, the City Council, Rus Wilson, and members of the Recreation Department for your continued support allowing us to utilize Leary Field for our program.

By allowing us to call Leary Field our home, we have been able to provide an annual baseball program for approximately 150 players aged 13-18 from the greater Portsmouth area.

This letter serves to ask your permission to place 10 (ten) outfield signs, approximately 4’ x 6’ (dark green with white lettering) on the outer perimeter fencing facing inwards towards Leary Field.

Being able to sell this advertising, allows us to keep our costs down, scholarship players that can’t afford our annual registration fee, and to continue to make annual improvements to Leary Field in coordination with Rus Wilson and his staff.

We are proud to say that we have never turned away any player at Portsmouth Babe Ruth because of on field ability or inability to pay the fee.

These banners would be displayed beginning on or around May 16th, 2015 and will be removed by August 16th, 2015.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Mike Young
President
Portsmouth Babe Ruth
Po Box 341
Portsmouth NH, 03801

April 28, 2015
Friends of Sheafe Street Petition
To the Mayor and City of Portsmouth

Dear Mayor Lister:

The Friends of Sheafe Street represent the primary legal Residential homeowners and commercial owners on Sheafe Street, and additionally land or condominium owners whose real estate legally fronts on State Street, but who use Sheafe Street as their primary access to their Residence.

We have participated with the City of Portsmouth on many mutual interests, as you know, such as Successful Petitions to the City for repair and Reconstruction of Custom House Court roadway and drainage, Petitions to the City for the Repair of Sheafe Street, and most recently Participated with the City for the Design for Reconstruction of the Sheafe Street roadway, pedestrian access and sidewalks—that is to be done this spring.

It has been proposed by the City to expand metered parking to Sheafe Street, and although it is in the Central Business B district and Historic Districts, Sheafe Street is almost exclusively a Residential street that dates back prior to the Great Fire of 1813.

Although there are only Ten (10) parking spaces on this street, (and that is a squeeze) these ten spaces are highly valued by the residents as many homes do not have on site (on property) parking.

We would like to submit our opinion that we do not want commercial parking meters on Sheafe Street and that we hereby:

Petition the City to Protect our limited parking spaces by implementing “Residential Parking Only” on Sheafe Street from 5 pm to 9 am Monday-Sunday, with two hour maximum day- time parking allowed.
Friends of Sheafe Street
Petition for Residential Parking

Mr. Mayor: For your information:

Sheafe Street is a unique Residential Street in the Portsmouth CBB (Central Business B) area - Historic District that is composed primarily of antique and Historic Homes, including the Sheafe Street Brick Row houses.

The majority of homes on Sheafe do not have on site Parking or have limited Parking that would not currently comply with residential requirements for on site parking. Over many decades, the Residents of Sheafe Street have utilized out of necessity the on-street parking to offset the lack of on-Site residential parking.

Recently, the City implemented two hour parking, which was then extended to the early evening (7 pm), and then to include Saturday and Sunday. The two hour parking was not reasonable or useful for a Resident of the Street as their use required a longer period of parking than two hours, especially upon return to home from work.

The net result has been that the city has sequentially reduced the Residents’ parking via its expansion of controlled parking, and the City now proposes placing Parking Meters on Sheafe Street and Charging for parking which is only to the City’s Benefit and to the detriment and expense of the Residents of Sheafe Street. These are the very residents who already pay substantial Property Taxes for the use of their Residences.

Therefore we reasonably Petition the City to designate and protect on Sheafe Street Residential Reserved evening Parking and to not place Parking meters on our residential street.

On behalf of the Friends of Sheafe Street:

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Honorable Mayor Robert Lister  
City Hall  
1 Junkins Avenue  
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Re: Portsmouth Land Acquisition, LLC  
Rezoning Bartlett Street/Route 1 Bypass Area

Dear Mayor Lister and Members of the City Council:

As you know this office represents Portsmouth Land Acquisition, LLC, with regard to the proposed rezoning of land between Bartlett Street and the Route 1 Bypass.

We have recently submitted a Design Review Application to the Planning Board. The purpose of the Design Review Application was to familiarize planning board members with our proposed reuse of the property which we believe may aid us in the rezoning request.

The Design Review Application is not intended to attempt to vest this project under existing zoning.

As part of our design review plan and application we have shown as part of our project a small parcel of city owned land which is currently vacant. In our many meetings with the City Manager, the Assistant City Manager, and Planning Department staff, we have discussed a land swap whereby we would convey to the city in addition to the land underlying a connector road, what is now the former Badger Rand facility and a vacant single family residence adjacent thereto. Our Design Review Plans show that land being conveyed to the city is proposed as a public park/green space connected to a green corridor running along Hodgson Brook. A copy of the overall conceptual plan is enclosed herewith in which I have shown the land to be swapped.

The City Attorney has determined that the Design Review Application which I submitted on behalf of my clients requires the signature of a city official due to the fact that our design review plan encompasses a portion of city owned land. Attorney Sullivan has further determined that a vote of the council is necessary in order to authorize the City Manager to sign the Application on behalf of the city.
The fact that a city representative signs the application in no way obligates or commits the city to such a land swap. The area conveyed to the city would be greater in size than that of which the city would exchange with my client.

I would hope that council would authorize Mr. Bohenko to sign the Application so that we may proceed to the planning board with design review. As the City Attorney will advise you, the fact that we proceed to design review with this conceptual plan in no way gives the applicant any vesting or eliminates the need for Conditional Use Permits or site plan review.

I hope the members of the council find the overall conceptual plan acceptable. The proposal is for 288 residential units approximately 50% of which would be "micro units" with at least 10% "affordable/work force housing" as would be determined by the city.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

Bernard W. Pelech
Land which would be deeded to the City
April 28, 2015

John Bohnenko
Portsmouth City Manager
City of Portsmouth
1 Junkins Avenue
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Re: Proposed Hanover/High Street Underground Improvement Project

Dear John,

On March 10, 2014, representatives from Eversource met with you and several public officials to discuss the underground lines improvement project along Hanover and High Streets in the City of Portsmouth. This underground improvement project includes associated improvements on the easement area which Eversource holds over City property, identified as the City of Portsmouth Tax Map 117, Lot 1.

Attached please find seventeen (17) copies of our submission of the following information defining the proposed Hanover/High Street underground improvement project:

- Before and after visual simulations of several locations along Hanover Street and High Street showing the visual improvements upon the completion of the project.
- Visual simulations of the transformer and switchgear placements needed to support the underground utilities.
- Utility Strip Survey Maps showing the proposed improvements for Hanover and High Streets.

The proposed underground improvement project is expected to relocate existing overhead facilities along Hanover Street and High Street as well as the alleyway between Hanover Street and Ladd Street and place the utilities underground for the buildings in this area. This project will result in improved reliability and visual impacts.

In addition to the existing easement rights in place between Eversource and the City of Portsmouth, Eversource requests additional rights along Hanover Street which will allow for the following:

- Two padmount transformers next to the Hanover Street Parking Garage entrance where currently one padmount transformer is located.
- The relocation of two padmount transformers currently located inside the parking garage to outside the parking garage side entrance (along the Portsmouth Gas Light Co. alley).
- A new switchgear located on city property at Hanover Street and the entrance of the Portsmouth Gas Light Company alley.
- A new switchgear located on city property at Hanover Street adjacent to the parking garage and bus stop, across from the entrance to High Street.
- A new duct bank located on city property between the two above switchgear locations.

In addition, Eversource requests license agreements from the City of Portsmouth for associated conduits, secondary handholes, and manholes.

Eversource is requesting the city to review, approve, and authorize the Hanover/High Streets Underground Improvement Project in order for the project to begin by the fall of 2015, as funds are currently in place to support the project.

Eversource respectfully requests to be put on the agenda of the City Council meeting on Monday, May 4, 2014 to review our proposed improvement plan and agree to refer the plan to the Planning Board for their consideration.

We look forward to working with you, The City Council, and the Planning Board on this project. We are also available to meet with you and/or city staff to review the plans and address any questions you may have.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Busby, PE
Manager, Field Engineering Design
Eastern Region, Eversource

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Hanover/High Street
Underground Improvement

EVERSOURCE

City of Portsmouth
New Hampshire
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TO: Historical District Commission Members

CC: City Council Members and Planning Board Members

FROM: Delmira Pirini Morse

Re: Portsmouth North End

I am writing this letter to share with you my passion in my journey in the pursuit of a Memorial for the Immigrants who resided in the North End, the majority of whom were Italians. I am a first generation Italian American who felt the impact, a many others did, of the injustice that was inflicted on my family and friends in the community in the name of Urban Renewal. I vowed that I would not let their memory go unrecorded.

Both sets of my grandparents bought homes in the North End on Deer and Green Streets. My parents were raised there. My sister and I so enjoyed the many visits with them and getting to know the other residents. The Italian American Community was cohesive and had a very comfortable familiar atmosphere. They were very proud of achieving their goal of owning their homes in their new country.

Initially years ago I, I contacted Joey Cresta, Portsmouth Herald Journalist, who eventually wrote many articles about the North End with my and other people’s input concerning the need for a Memorial and how the North End was physically destroyed by Urban Renewal. He also wrote about the Italian immigrants and the great injustice and emotional turmoil that were inflicted on them. Joey and I worked well together and I am grateful to him. The Portsmouth Herald was very supportive as also evidenced by the Manager Editors’ editorials that were also written about the North End that supported the great need for a Memorial.

My grandparents and parents were members of the Italian American Club which preceded the Sons of Italy Lodge. The Club was family and friends oriented and hosted many fun filled events. My parents were among the first to join the newly organized Sons of Italy. I have been a member of the Sons of Italy for numerous years. As chairman of several committees, we hosted many authentic Italian dinners for members and the community. I also served as publicity chairman working with local and state wide newspapers. Joey Cresta also covered these events.

Valerie Capodelupo Koloshey, a member of the Sons of Italy, also informed the Community by addressing neglected areas such as the following: Initiated collection of photos of immigrant families of the North End. As a result of this project, the Athenaeum went from a few photos to over 300. Multiple Italian Americans have been interviewed on video tape regarding their experiences in the North End and with the loss of their homes; Partnered with the Portsmouth Public Library and held an open house for the public to view the “Blue Books” that were given to each of the families who lost their property to Urban Renewal. The Books contained property photos and assessments made by the Government and the amount each owner would receive; requested and obtained a Proclamation from the State of New Hampshire declaring the month of October Italian American Heritage; Volunteered to assist Delmira
Pirini Morse with her Memorial project honoring the immigrants of the North End; Organized a well attended reunion for former residents of the North End as well as their families and friends.

Valerie and I just recently participated in Strawberry Bank’s Finding Home Exhibit by gathering relevant documents and artifacts for display from the Italian American community.

Even though we were in the public eye, an appropriate site never was found until Valerie and I had the good fortune to connect with Shari Young, Sheraton Hotel and Paul Young, Harbor Corp, to discuss the Memorial since their new project was on the site of the North End. The initial meeting occurred approximately a year and a half ago. They were very receptive and we have had productive subsequent meetings. This is the appropriate site for the Memorial.

Our latest meeting yesterday was also very productive. Our group consisted of Valerie Koloshey, Shari Young, Paul Young and Chris Greiner of 33 Artspace and me. We discussed different concepts for the Memorial and some are as follows: Art work (some type of statuary) on the North End Plaza that will visually tell the story of the North End community and will draw people toward the art to read the story of the neighborhood on a marker. Engraved bricks on the North End Plaza with the names of the families that lived in the neighborhood prior to Urban Renewal. Display of artifacts from the archeological dig and from other sources inside the hotel and conference center in high traffic areas.

We have come a long way since Valerie’s and my first meeting with Shari and Paul. It is so gratifying to work with Shari and Paul who have been committed to the Memorial and want to right a wrong injustice done to the North End Community. They really care about their project and the Community.

Valerie and I look forward to continue to work with the Sheraton Hotel, Harbor Corp and the City of Portsmouth to finally achieve our goal of creating an appropriate Memorial to honor the residents of the North End Community.
Date: April 30, 2015

To: Honorable Mayor Robert J. Lister and City Council Members

From: John P. Bohenko, City Manager

Re: City Manager’s Comments on May 4, 2015 City Council Agenda

6:30 p.m. Non-meeting with counsel regarding litigation in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, I (b).

For details on this matter, please refer to the confidential envelope inserted in the inside pocket of your binder.

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Items Which Require Action Under Other Sections of the Agenda:

1. Public Hearing and Adoption of Proposed Resolution.

1.1 Public Hearing and Adoption of Proposed Resolution Authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars for the Construction of a New Parking Facility. At the April 20, 2015 City Council meeting, the Council voted to keep the public hearing open regarding the aforementioned Resolution. Under Section VII of the Agenda, attached is a proposed Resolution authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of up to Twenty Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars for the Construction of a New Parking Facility. Also, attached is a PowerPoint for the presentation that evening.

I recommend the City Council move to adopt the Proposed Resolution, as presented. Action on this matter should take place under Section IX of the Agenda.
Consent Agenda:

1. **Acceptance of Membership Dues to Art-Speak.** Art-Speak has received the following membership dues for Piscataqua Arts & Cultural Alliance (PACA), a program of Art-Speak:

   - Harbor Light Stage Inc. $100.00

   *I recommend that the City Council move to approve and accept the membership dues to the Piscataqua Arts & Cultural Alliance, a program of Art-Speak, as listed. Action on this item should take place under Section X of the Agenda.*

2. **Request for License to Install Projecting Sign.** Attached under Section X of the Agenda is a request for a projecting sign license (see attached memorandum from Rick Taintor, Planning Director):

   - James Woodhouse, owner of Louie’s for property located at 84-86 Pleasant Street.

   *I recommend the City Council move to approve the aforementioned Projecting Sign License as recommended by the Planning Director and, further, authorize the City Manager to execute this License Agreement for this request. Action on this item should take place under Section X of the Agenda.*

City Manager’s Items Which Require Action:

1. **Request for First Reading of Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, Article VIII, Section 1.807 of the Ordinances – BEQUESTS OR GIFTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES.** As initiated by Councilor Lown, attached is a proposed Ordinance amending Chapter 1, Article VIII, Section 1.807 of the Ordinances – BEQUESTS OR GIFTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES. I am requesting that the City Council authorize me to bring this Ordinance back for first reading at the May 18, 2015 City Council meeting.

   *I recommend the City Council move to authorize the City Manager to bring back for first reading at the May 18, 2015 City Council meeting the aforementioned Ordinance, as presented.*

2. **Request for Approval of Parking Agreement for Connect Community Church.** Attached is a License Agreement for the provision of public parking on an existing parking lot at the Connect Community Church, which is located off of Market Street. This lot will be served by the City’s parking shuttle.

   The Agreement with Connect Community Church replaces the existing Agreement with the Church. This provides for use of 124 spaces, an addition of 30 spaces over the previous Agreement, in the lot for public parking 7-days a week with the exception of Sundays between 5:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. The Agreement is for a period of 3-years for an annual
fee of $18,000 to be paid in bi-annual payments. As in the previous Agreement, the City will operate a bus shelter for the purpose of operating the Downtown Shuttle.

_I recommend the City Council move to approve the aforementioned License Agreement, and further, authorize the City Manager to execute these Agreements, as presented._

**Informational Items:**

1. **Events Listing.** For your information, attached is a copy of the Events Listing updated after the last City Council meeting on April 20, 2015. In addition, this can be found on the City’s website.

2. **Reminder Re: “All Day” City Council Budget Work Session with Departments.** Just a reminder that an “All Day” City Council Budget Work Session with Departments (e.g., Police, Fire, Schools and General Government) will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., in the Levenson Room, at the Portsmouth Library. Attached is a copy of the Agenda.

3. **North End Character-Based Zoning Informational Meeting.** Please note that there will be a North End Character-based Zoning Informational Meeting on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers at City Hall.

4. **Updated Schedule of Events Re: African Burying Ground.** Attached for your information is a letter from Vernis Jackson, Chair of the African Burying Ground Committee and a listing of the key events regarding the African Burying Ground event, which will take place from Wednesday, May 20, 2015 to Saturday, May 23, 2015.

5. **Seacoast Bike/Walk to Work Day.** For your information, attached is an informational flyer regarding the Seacoast Bike/Walk to Work Day on Friday, May 15, 2015.

6. **Work Session Re: Election of Mayor.** For your information, the Mayor has rescheduled the Work Session on the Election of Mayor from this Monday evening to Monday, May 18th prior to the regular City Council meeting.

7. **May 2015 Meeting Coverage for Channel 22 and YouTube.** For your information, attached is a list for May 2015 Meeting Coverage for Channel 22 and YouTube.
ORDINANCE #

THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH ORDAINS

That Chapter 1, Article VIII, Section 1.807 of the Ordinances of the City of Portsmouth to be amended by the creation of a new provision identified as 1.807 - BEQUESTS OR GIFTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES which shall read as follows:

Section 1.807 - BEQUESTS OR GIFTS TO CITY EMPLOYEES

A. No individual employee of the City of Portsmouth may accept any bequest or gift from any Portsmouth area resident with a value in excess of two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00) unless the following conditions are met:

1. The testator/donor is of sound mind, as certified by the testator/donor’s treating physician at the time of the document evidencing such gift or bequest; and

2. The gift or bequest is made more than two (2) years from the testator/donor’s date of death; and

3. The testator has a relationship with such employee that is not based on or primarily related to the official duties of such employee; and

4. The testator/donor has not amended or revoked any prior will or testamentary document under which the testator/donor includes a gift or bequest to a family member of such testator/donor.

B. The legatee or donee of any gift or bequest that does not satisfy the above criteria must disclaim the gift or bequest.

C. The penalty for violation of this section shall be disciplinary action, up to possible termination of employment with the City.

The City Clerk shall properly alphabetize and/or re-number the ordinance as necessary in accordance with this amendment.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby deleted.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage, except that this ordinance shall not be applied to any bequest or gift which has been designated or identified in a testamentary or other document prior to the date of final adoption of the ordinance by the City Council.
APPROVED:

__________________________
Robert J. Lister, Mayor

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL:

_____________________________
Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk

h\ordires\employees – gift/bequest
LICENSE AGREEMENT

Agreement made on ____________, 2015, by and between the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire (“Licensee”), having a mailing address Portsmouth City Hall, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801, and the Connect Community Church (formerly Bethel Assembly of God), (“CCC”), having a business address of 200 Chase Drive, Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801.

WHEREAS, CCC is the fee owner of land with a building thereon commonly known as the CCC, 200 Chase Drive, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, located on the City of Portsmouth Tax Map at Map 0210, Lot 0002 and

WHEREAS, the Licensee has asked permission to utilize 124 parking spaces, the entirety of the parking area hereinafter referred to as “Parking Area” which is located off Chase Drive in front of the Church as more particularly described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, for public parking.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and other good and valuable consideration set forth herein, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **Grant of License.** CCC hereby grants to the Licensee, a license (the License) to use the 124 parking spaces in the Parking Area for public parking and to install and maintain a bus shelter.

2. **Term.** Beginning on May 1, 2015 (the “Commencement Date”) CCC grants to the Licensee, the License, pursuant to which the Licensee and its employees, contractors, agents and invitees (the public) shall have the right to enter upon and use the Parking Area solely and exclusively for the Permitted Use as described and defined in Paragraph 3 herein. The Licensee shall have the right to use the Parking Area for that period of time (the “Term”) beginning on the Commencement Date and ending three years from the Commencement Date (the “Termination Date”); Either party may terminate this Agreement for cause with five (5) days written notice to the other party. No written notice is required if there is a threat to the public health or welfare.

3. **Permitted Use.** The Licensee, its employees, agents and invitees (the public) may use the Parking Area solely and exclusively for parking with the exception of 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Sundays. These 124 parking spaces in the lot shall be available at the direction of the City for the purpose of allowing members of the public to park.

4. **Restrictions on Use.** The following uses are expressly prohibited at the Parking Area:
(a) consumption of alcohol;
(b) use or storage of hazardous substances;
(c) possession of firearms; and
(d) idling of vehicles or equipment.

5. **Annual Fee.** Commencing on the Commencement Date, the Licensee shall pay to the CCC bi-annual payments in the amount of $9,000.00 (nine thousand dollars) to be paid on the May 1st and October 1st of each year. These payments shall be made payable to Connect Community Church.

6. **Signs.** Licensee shall be responsible for designing and installing appropriate signage identifying the terms of public parking in the Parking Area. The signage must include the following information:
   a. Public parking hours.
   b. Maximum 72-hours parking
   c. Snow plowing during snow storms

7. **Maintenance.** At all times, the obligation of maintaining the Parking Area, including but not limited to plowing and sanding, remains with the CCC.

8. **Security.** At all times during the term and Permitted Use of this Agreement, CCC shall provide security for the Parking Area as set forth in a separate agreement to be negotiated between the parties.

9. **Indemnification.** Licensee shall defend and indemnify the CCC for claims caused solely by the City’s negligence, and which are within the scope of the City’s liability insurance to the extent and under the terms and conditions under which the City itself is entitled to contractual indemnification coverage from the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange, under the terms of its liability coverage document as may be in effect and amended from time to time.

   To the extent any claim, demand, suit or action for damages, interests, costs, penalties or expenses arises from or is in any way related to CCC's provision of security services pursuant to paragraph 8 of this Agreement, CCC shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City and its officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all such liability and shall also provide payment on behalf of the City for reasonable attorneys fees, paralegal fees and litigation costs for services by mutually agreeable law firm(s). This obligation to defend and indemnify the City shall survive the term of this Agreement. CCC shall furnish proof that it carries general liability insurance in the amount of $1,000,000 per occurrence and $2,000,000 aggregate and that contains contractual liability coverage applicable to CCC’s indemnification obligation under this Agreement.
10. **Representations.** This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Licensee and CCC and each party avers that it has authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the terms and conditions contained therein.

11. **Miscellaneous Provisions.**

(a) **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, is intended to confer upon any person, other than each of the parties hereto; any benefits, rights or remedies under or by reason of this Agreement.

(b) **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement and the attachments hereto, each of which is hereby incorporated herein, sets forth all of the agreements, promises, covenants conditions and undertakings between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, inducements, or conditions, express or implied, oral or written.

(c) **Amendment.** No waiver or modification of any of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless in writing and signed by each of the parties hereto. Failure by any party to enforce any rights under this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of such rights, and a waiver by any party of a default hereunder in one or more instances shall not be construed as constituting a continuing waiver or as a waiver of other instances of default.

(d) **License Not Assignable.** The rights granted to the Licensee hereunder are personal and are not assignable or otherwise transferable except as otherwise specified in this Agreement.

(e) **Partial Invalidity.** In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the remainder of this License shall not be affected hereby, and each covenant and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

12. **Governing Law.** The construction and effect of the terms of this Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.

13. **Notices.** All notices and other communication which are required or permitted by this Agreement shall be in writing and delivered by personal service, sent by registered or certified first class US mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed, return receipt requested, or by overnight receipt delivery service such as Federal Express, if intended for the Licensee, addressed to John P. Bohenko, City
Manager, City of Portsmouth, at the address first set forth above, and if intended for the CCC, addressed to Pastor Chad J. Lynn, at the address first set forth above.

14. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements between the parties regarding the Parking Area.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed on the day and year first written above.

CONNECT COMMUNITY CHURCH
By: _____________________
Pastor Chad J. Lynn
Approved by vote of Connect Community Church dated _________________________

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH
By: _____________________
John P. Bohenko, City Manager
Approved by vote of the City Council dated __________________________
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|               |            |                                   | CELL: 617 501-2728  
|               |            |                                   | COSTROM@VTNHKOMEN.ORG  
|               |            |                                   | THIS RACE BEGINS ON THE PEIRCE ISLAND BRIDGE AND FINISHES AT STRAWBERY BANKE - HANCOCK LOT |           |
| 5/14/2015     | RACE       | Deer Street and Portwalk Place    | Newmarket International, Inc.           | 4/20/2015  |
| 5/14/2015     |            |                                   | GREGG HOPKINS, VICE PRESIDENT OF MARKETING IS THE CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT. THIS EVENT BEGINS AT 6:30 A.M. AND ENDS AT 7:30 A.M. |           |
| 5/15/2015     | CLINIC     | Market Square                     | Fix A Flat Clinic for Women             | 4/20/2015  |
| 5/15/2015     |            |                                   | ANN RUGG IS THE CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT. THIS EVENT IS PART OF BIKE/WALK TO WORK WEEK  
|               |            |                                   | MARKET SQUARE FROM 12:00 TO 12:30 P.M. |           |
| 5/16/2015     | RIDE       | Bicycle Ride Starting point at Portsmouth Library | / / |           |
| 5/16/2015     |            |                                   | CONTACT LAURA HORNWOOD-BENTON, PUBLIC PROGRAMMING AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS LIBRARIAN AT LIBRARY 603-766-1711. RIDE STARTS AT 2:00 P.M. FROM PORTSMOUTH LIBRARY AND ENDS AT THE WENTWORTH GARDNER HOME. SPONSORS INCLUDE OLD AS ADAM ANTIQUES & VINTAGE HABERDASHERY, CERES BAKERY AND SEVENTH SETTLEMENT. |           |
| 5/17/2015     |            |                                   | RENEE T. BOUCHARD IS THE CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT.(603) 431-5454. DATE CHANGED FROM MAY 3, 2015 BY PDA. |           |
| 5/20/2015     | ART EXH    | Chestnut Street                   | African Burying Ground                  | / /        |
| 5/20/2015     |            |                                   | DAVID MOORE IS THE CONTACT FOR THIS EVENT. HE MAY BE REACHED AT 610-7226. THIS EVENT IS WITH AFRICAN BURYING GROUND SCULPTOR AND STUDENTS |           |
| 5/22/2015     | VIGIL      | New Hope Baptist Church - 236 Peverly Hill Road | African Burying Ground                  | / /        |
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**Description:**
- This event is for two days. Caroline Amport Piper is the contact. Tel. (603) 686-4338

**Description:**
- This is part of the Run Portsmouth Road Race Series 5K Races for 2015. Catherine Edison of Community Child Care Center of Portsmouth is one of the contacts. CEdison@communitycampus.org and Ben Anderson or Meghan Toner of Prescott Park Arts Festival Tel. 436-2848

**Description:**
- Mary-Jo Monusky, Executive Director is the contact for this event. This event is a 5k walk/fundraiser. Starts and ends at 11 Jewell Court from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Description:**
- Seacoast Half Marathon

**Description:**
- Matt Junkin of Seacoast Rotary Club is the contact for this event. mjrjunkin@gmail.com; Tel. 591-0083
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH

CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION PRESENTATIONS

DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2015
LOCATION: PORTSMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY – LEVENSON ROOM
TIME: 8:00AM TO 2:30PM
SUBJECT: FY 2016 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

AGENDA

8:00 a.m. Budget Summary John P. Bohenko, City Manager
Judie Belanger, Finance Director
8:30 a.m. Police Stephen DuBois, Police Chief
9:15 a.m. Fire Steven Achilles, Fire Chief
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Public Works Peter Rice, Public Works Director
Parking and Transportation Eric Eby, Parking & Transportation Engineer
11:15 a.m. Recreation/Senior Services Rus Wilson, Recreation Director
Brinn Chute, Senior Services Coordinator
11:45 a.m. Lunch
12:00 p.m. Planning, Inspection, Health David Allen, Deputy City Manager
Finance, Accounting, Assessing,
Tax Collector, Information Technology Judie Belanger, Finance Director
Welfare Ellen Tully, Welfare Administrator
Human Resources Dianna Fogarty, Human Resources Director
Legal Robert Sullivan, City Attorney
City Clerk Kelli Barnaby, City Clerk
Library Steven Butzel, Library Director
1:00 p.m. School Department Edward McDonough, Superintendent of Schools
2:30 p.m. Adjourn
April 29, 2015

Honorable Mayor Lister and Members of the City Council
Portsmouth City Hall
1 Junkins Avenue
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Dear Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council,

As you know, in May our Community will realize a nearly 12 year vision of returning the African Burying Ground at Chestnut Street to sacred ground.

To commemorate this important time in Portsmouth’s history, the African Burying Ground has been working across our community to plan a series of meaningful and powerful events that will coincide with the completion of the African Burying Ground Memorial at Chestnut Street. I have attached a listing of the key events to this letter. I hope you will join us at some or all of these powerful opportunities to be involved in this part of Portsmouth history. All members of the public are invited to attend and anyone can find more information by visiting www.africanburyinggroundnh.org.

There are so many people in our community to thank at this important time. In particular, your steadfast support of, and dedication to, the African Burying Ground has been instrumental. The City of Portsmouth early donations inspired our community to raise over $1 million privately.

We have so much to be proud of and I look forward to seeing you in May.

Sincerely,

Vernis Jackson
Chair, African Burying Ground Committee
The City of Portsmouth and its Mayor-appointed African Burying Ground Committee have announced a multi-day commemoration to coincide with the completion of the African Burying Ground Memorial Park – We Stand in Honor of Those Forgotten May 20th - May 23rd

For updates on this schedule and more information, please visit AfricanBuryingGroundNH.org

On-site event with artist and sculptor Jerome Meadows, Portsmouth Middle School Students Wednesday May 20th - 9:00 a.m.

Portsmouth Middle School Students who worked with Mr. Meadows during a school outreach project in October 2014 join him on-site to reveal the ceramic tiles they designed, which will be installed in the decorative railing at the site. Mr. Meadows reconnects with the students and speaks with them about the final preparations of the artworks since they last met. This event coincides with a Middle School Art Show of student works about the African Burying Ground at the Seacoast African American Cultural Center gallery at 10 Middle Street (now open).

African Burying Ground Ancestral Vigil at New Hope Baptist Church Friday May 22nd - 7:00 p.m.

As part of the reburial celebration in May, members of the community hold an all-night vigil at the New Hope Baptist Church, 263 Peverly Hill Rd, Portsmouth. The community keeps vigil with the remains in their custom-built wood caskets at the Church from 7:00 pm Friday, May 22nd until 7:00 am Saturday. Services of remembrance take place at 7:00 pm Friday, 12:00 midnight and 6:00 am Saturday morning. Tradition dictates that at no point during the night are the remains of the ancestors be left alone. To facilitate this tradition the hours between services are open for anyone desiring to pay homage to the ancestors in their own way. This could mean just sitting quietly, reciting a poem, saying a prayer, singing a song, playing the piano or other instrument, etc. Those wishing to do so should contact JerriAnne Boggis, 603 318-5120, (jaboggis@comcast.net), or Kelvin Edwards, 603 380-0193 (keledw@comcast.net). Each request should include name, phone number and/or email address, what tribute will be made and time desired for the tribute.

Reburial Ceremony at African Burying Ground Saturday May 23rd - 8:30 a.m.

The reburial ceremony follows the August 17, 2014 Consecration Ceremony held at the site just prior to the commencement of project construction, which took place the next day. As many as 200 individuals are buried beneath the street. Nine caskets will be placed in a vault, which was constructed as part of the Memorial. The ceremony includes traditional African burial customs likely familiar to those being buried beneath the street as well as the unveiling of the art works by project artist and sculptor Jerome B. Meadows.

Public Celebration at Portsmouth Middle School Auditorium Saturday May 23rd - 10:30 a.m.

Following the reburial ceremony, a public celebration with food, music, and inspirational voices takes place at the Portsmouth Middle School Auditorium. Full program details, including speakers and musical performances to come.

On site walk-about with project artist and construction team Saturday May 23rd - 1:30 p.m.

After the public celebration, members of the construction team including the project artist and sculptor return to the African Burying Ground to walk the site and answer questions about the Memorial installation. All members of the public are invited to speak with the construction team members and reflect on the day's events.

Burial Vault Lid Placement Saturday May 23rd

At the close of the day, the burial vault lid will be placed on the vault. Members of the public will be invited to witness from a safe distance.
Seacoast Bike/Walk to Work Day
Friday May 15th, 2015

12 Free Commuter Breakasts all around the Seacoast
Corporate Commuter Challenge May 11-15
Awards Celebration at Portsmouth Brewery
Events throughout May for National Bike Month
NEW! Women-only events!

For a full calendar of events and to register go to:
www.seacoastbikes.org
Have More Fun Getting to Work!
## May 2015 Meeting Coverage for Channel 22 and YouTube

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Committee: Conservation Commission

Name: Matthew R. Cardin
Telephone: (603) 851-1921

Could you be contacted at work? YES NO
If so, telephone #: (603) 621-9259 Ext. 25

Street address: 202 Raleigh Way, Portsmouth, NH 03801

Mailing address (if different):

Email address (for clerk’s office communication): mr.cardin@gmail.com

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 3.5 Years

Occupational background:

I am an Environmental Scientist for TRC Environmental and previously, Normandeau Associates. I have been working in private environmental consulting throughout NH and the Northeast for the past 7 years. I am a Certified Wetland Scientist through the NH Joint Board of Licensure. I am mainly involved with managing natural resource field surveys and working with regulatory agencies to manage projects in an effort to avoid and minimize impacts.

Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

I have previously worked, as an Environmental Consultant, in preparing City of Portsmouth Conditional Use Permit for a client to restore wetland and regulated upland buffer to impacts incurred at a residential home. The homeowner, Peter Britz, myself and the Conservation Commission worked together to design a wetland mitigation plan to restore function to the wetland area. I worked with Mr. Britz and presented to the Conservation Commission for design approval.

6/27/2012
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved?  **YES/NO**

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? **YES/NO**

**Reasons for wishing to serve:** I wish to serve the City with hopes of providing insight as a Wetland/Wildlife biologist to preserving the City's natural resources and provide a dynamic approach to development, as an environmental consultant, by using the best available science and performance standards available and assisting with providing alternative solutions to minimize environmental impacts with regards to the conservation and preservation of the City's natural resources. I'm also interested in engaging the City/Community in the most interesting/best way possible with my time.

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

I am an active member of the New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists (NHNRS) with a wetland and wildlife discipline. I'm also a member of the NHANRS Legislative Committee with several other NHANRS members. I was a Board Member for approximately 2 years at a regional mountain biking organization known as C.L.I.M.B., Concerned Long Island Mountain Bikers, during my residence in Long Island, NY.

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members: *(Portsmouth references preferred)*

1) Phil Cohen, 114 Crescent Way, Portsmouth, NH, (603) 334-6705
   Name, address, telephone number

2) Mark Mullaney, 51 Collage Street, Portsmouth, NH, (603) 319-5300
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: ______________________ Date: 1/28/14

If you do not receive the appointment you are requesting, would you be interested in serving on another board or commission? **Yes X No**

Please submit application to the City Clerks Office, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801

8/27/2012
January 28, 2014

Mayor Robert Lister
Portsmouth City Council
1 Junkins Ave
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Re: Conservation Commission Application

Mayor Lister and the City Council,

I have enclosed my application to be considered for the vacant seat on the City of Portsmouth's Conservation Commission. I am an Environmental Consultant as a wetland/wildlife scientist for TRC Environmental and previously for Normandeau Associates. I have worked with Peter Britz and presented in front of the Commission before and now wish to serve as part of that Board. I have been a proud Portsmouth resident for over three years. My wife and I have enjoyed living in the City immensely and now I wish to volunteer my time with hopes of having a bigger part in what makes this City so great.

In my application, I specify that I will not be able to attend all monthly Conservation Commission meetings. If I am to be honest with the reality of my work schedule and it's tendencies, I would anticipate missing an average of two meetings a year due to short-term work travel commitments. I hope this isn't a discouragement on my application. I understand attendance is paramount and missing meetings will be avoided at the most extent feasible.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I have received a good deal of support from peers, friends and colleagues within Portsmouth and I'm more than happy to provide additional references if needed. Please don't hesitate to contact me at (603) 851-1921 or at mr.cardin@gmail.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

Matthew R. Cardin
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N.H.
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Instructions: Please print or type and complete all information. Please submit resume along with this application.

Committee: **CONSERVATION**
Initial applicant

Name: **KIMBERLY MEUSE** Telephone: **603-373-8709**

Could you be contacted at work? **YES NO** If so, telephone #: **203-913-9694**

Street address: 579 SAGAMORE AVE, UNIT #97

Mailing address (if different): ________________________________________________________

Email address (for clerk's office communication): **KIMBERLYMEUSE@GMAIL.COM**

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? **2.5 YEARS**

Occupational background:

**FINE ARTIST, COMPUTER GRAPHICS ILLUSTRATOR, WATERCOLOR ART WORKSHOP INSTRUCTOR**

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Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

**COUNCIL WOMAN, 2009-2011, STRATFORD, CT**

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEMBER, STRATFORD WATER COMMISSION, BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE CHAIR, BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE MEMBER, ORDINANCE COMMITTEE, SHAKESPEARE THEATRE REVIEW BOARD, SCHOOL BOARD/COUNCIL LIAISON, PROJECT GROUNDSCHAEP CHAIR**
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved? (YES/NO)

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? (YES/NO)

Reasons for wishing to serve: *AS A FINE ARTIST, I AM ABLE TO WORK AT HOME AND SAVES LOTS OF TIME FOR VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY. WORKING AS A COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER NO CT WAS REWARDING FOR ME AND A PLEASURE TO FIND A MEANINGFUL WAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE BETTERMENT OF THE TOWN CITIZEN VOLUNTEERS ARE VITAL TO MAINTAINING THE HEART OF A COMMUNITY. IT IS TIME WELL SPENT, IN MY OPINION. *

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

- AMERICAN RED CROSS - PORTSMOUTH
- NH RESPONSES - EXETER, ARE IN PEACHTOWN, HAWTHORNE
- TIDWATCH ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBER, PORTSMOUTH
- DEMOCRATS

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members:
(Portsmouth references preferred)

1) **GISCION KENNEDY, 269 MARCY STREET, PORTSMOUTH** (former employer)
   Name, address, telephone number
   
   **LARRY DRAKE**

2) **JOAN JACOBS, 579 SAGAMORE AVE, PORTSMOUTH, 603-373-851**
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: 

Date: 11/18/13

If you do not receive the appointment you are requesting, would you be interested in serving on another board or commission? Yes √ No

Please submit application to the City Clerks Office, 1 Junkin's Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801

6/27/2012
Kimberly Meuse

579 Sagamore Avenue, #97 • Portsmouth, NH 03801 • Phone: 603-373-8709 • E-Mail: kimberlymeuse@gmail.com

Objective

Conservation Commission volunteer/member.

Experience

Town Council Member, Town of Stratford, CT (pop. approx. 51,000) • December 2008-December 2011

• Represented the 7th District, as well as the town residents at large. Responsibilities included attending monthly Council meetings involving a Mayor and 10 district representatives, researching town issues, and issues specific to the 7th district of approximately 5,000 residents.

• Water Pollution Control Authority, Stratford, CT (2009-2011)

• Stratford Public Works committee member (2009-2011)

• Stratford Building Needs alternate member (2009-2011)

• Stratford Beautification Committee Chair/Project Greensweep annual town clean-up Chair (2009-2011)

• Stratford Town representative member of Keep America Beautiful (2009-2011)

• Stratford Longbrook Park Commission, co-Chair (2009-2011)

• Stratford Board of Education Town Council Liaison (2009-2011)

• Stratford Arts Commission (2009-2011)

• Stratford Finance Advisory Committee, co-Chair (2009-2011)

• Stratford Safe Routes to School committee (2009-2011)

• Stratford Long Range Facilities Planning Committee, (2009-2011)

Skills

As a member of the Town Council, my various duties required me to attend and participate in the decision process for a number of committees and commissions.

During the time of my council term, serving the town and the 7th district involved intensive research and study of the various issues and concerns of the community. I was involved above and beyond my duties as councilmember, offering my time to groups that were established during my term to:

• Study improving our school facility planning

• Work towards energy efficiency within town buildings

• Recommend a consulting group to get the town of Stratford's historic Shakespeare Theater renovated and viable

• Work with the elementary school in my district with the Safe Routes to School grant/study.

• Work with Keep America Beautiful and the town grant writer towards replenishing the tree population in the community.
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N.H.
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Instructions: Please print or type and complete all information. Please submit resume along with this application.

Committee: CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Name: KATE ZAMARCHI

Telephone: 603-828-3487

Initial applicant

Could you be contacted at work? [ ] YES  [ ] NO If so, telephone # 603-828-3487

Street address: 123 HILSIDE DRIVE, PORTSMOUTH NH 03801

Mailing address (if different):

Email address (for clerk's office communication): KATEZAMARCHI@GMAIL.COM

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 31 YEARS

Occupational background:

* ADMIN + SUPPLY (E-W) US ARMY RESERVES 10 YRS

* INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ANALYSIS + MANAGEMENT 26 YRS

Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

* ARTIST + NATURALIST (HOBBY) 40 YRS

* NEW HAMPSHIRE NATURE RESOURCE STEWARD (GRADUATE 2014)

NH - COOP EXT

* PARTICIPATED ON BOARDS WITHIN MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER

8/27/2012
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved? [YES/NO]

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? [YES/NO]  ONE EXCEPTION 5/2015

Reasons for wishing to serve: AS A RESIDENT THE PAST 31 YEARS ALONG WITH MY TRAINING RECEIVED IN THE NH NATURE RESOURCE STEWARD PROGRAM, I WOULD BRING ENTHUSIASM AND LOVE FOR THE CITY TO ENSURE PROPER UTILIZATION AND PROTECTION OF OUR CITY’S NATURAL RESOURCES. I AM AT A TIME IN MY LIFE WHEN I HAVE TIME AND ABILITY TO GIVE BACK. IT WOULD BE AN HONOR.

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

NH NATURE RESOURCE STEWARD VOLUNTEER

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members: (Portsmouth references preferred)

1) LAUREN CHASE-ROSELL 156 STEVEN'S HILL RD, NOTTINGHAM, NH 03290
   Name, address, telephone number 603-436-7538 LAURENCHASE-ROSELL@GMAIL.COM

2) MARY TEBO-DAVIS 329 MAST RD, GOFFSTOWN, NH 03045
   Name, address, telephone number 603-641-6060 MARY.TEBO@UNH.EDU

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Signature: Kate Zampanti Date: March 11, 2015

If you do not receive the appointment you are requesting, would you be interested in serving on another board or commission? [YES/NO] TREES + PUBLIC GREENERY COMMITTEE

Please submit application to the City Clerks Office, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801 6/27/2012
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N.H. 
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS 

APPOINTMENT APPLICATION 

Instructions: Please print or type and complete all information. Please submit resume along with this application.

Initial applicant

Committee: Conservation Committee

Name: Adrienne Harrison Telephone: 207 409 2834 (cell)

Could you be contacted at work? YES NO If so, telephone: 207 409 2834 (cell/both)

Street address: 238 Highland St

Mailing address (if different):

Email address (for clerk's office communication): adeharrison@gmail.com

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 7 years

Occupational background:

Currently work as a coastal resilience specialist for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) at regional office in Durham.

Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

- MS in Community Planning and Development from USM
- 10 years experience providing technical support to state and regional organizations focused on coastal resource conservation
- Expertise in green infrastructure, impacts of development on natural resources, and impacts of climate change on natural and human systems.

6/27/2012
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved? YES/NO

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? YES/NO (current afternoon schedule is perfect.)

Reasons for wishing to serve: Interest in preserving functions of natural resources in Portsmouth; learn about local processes for considering best options for balancing development and conservation; interest in treating stormwater with green infrastructure.

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

Previously served on Piscataqua Sustainability Initiative and Sustainable Portsmouth.

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members:
(Portsmouth references preferred)
1) Skye Maher, Portsmouth, 603 434 8035
   Name, address, telephone number

2) Cathy Coletti, Portsmouth, 603 559 0024
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: [Signature] Date: 3/19/15

If you do not receive the appointment you are requesting, would you be interested in serving on another board or commission? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please submit application to the City Clerk's Office, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801
6/27/2012
Coastal resilience professional with 10-years of experience managing multiple projects, building partnerships and communicating decision-relevant science and information to government and NGO partners. Knowledgeable of current trends in flood risk assessments, flood mitigation policies, natural infrastructure, living shorelines and marsh migration.

Professional Experience

NOAA Coastal Services Center/Office for Coastal Management 2005-2015
Northeast Coastal Resilience Specialist (2007-2014)
California Coastal Management Associate (2005-2007)

Accomplishments:

➤ Provide leadership and expertise in advancing regional, state, and local climate adaptation and resilience planning:
  o Serve as federal co-chair for Northeast Regional Ocean Council's Coastal Hazards Resilience Committee
  o Assist the New Hampshire Coastal Adaptation Workgroup with coastal risk assessments and evaluate adaptation options
  o Work with NOAA team to develop an economic framework to evaluate options for adapting coastal infrastructure
  o Support cost-benefit analysis of adaptation strategies using COAST tool for 3 NH coastal communities

➤ Coordinate marsh migration community of practice for federal, state and NGO partners:
  • 3 years building capacity for marsh migration modeling with NE coastal management programs
  • Organize workshops for coastal managers to discuss state of marsh migration modeling methodologies, parameters, and management applications of results
  • Contract oversight for marsh migration modeling and policy guidance document

➤ Provide technical assistance on NOAA tools and training:
  • Provide demonstrations of NOAA’s Coastal Flooding and Sea Level Rise Viewer, including the marsh migration viewer for coastal managers
  • Co-delivered 2 NOAA training courses in Maine - Green Infrastructure for Coastal Resilience; Climate Adaptation for Coastal Communities

➤ Oversight of resilience grant program for New England’s coastal communities
  • Oversight for total of $200,000 granted to 8 communities
  • Lead RFP development, proposal scoring and review process, communications (applicants, award recipients, and fiscal manager), and progress reporting

➤ Project management for NOAA contract tasks and deliverables in NE region, including development and coordination of plans, tasks, schedules, reporting, and measures of success

➤ Facilitation and meeting planning services for federal, state and local partners

Education

University of Southern Maine, Muskie School of Public Service
MS, Community Planning and Development
Thesis: Maine’s Aquaculture Industry: A Comparison of Concerns and Regulations

University of Rhode Island
BS, Marine and Coastal Policy and Management
Magna Cum Laude; Presidential Award for Excellence

Volunteer Activities & Personal Interests

Piscataqua Sustainability Initiative: Community study circles using The Natural Step to advance sustainability
Personal Interests: exploring White Mountains region of NH, paddle boarding, yoga, gardening
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N.H.
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Instructions: Please print or type and complete all information. Please submit resume along with this application.

Committee: Conservation Commission

Initial applicant

Name: Samantha Wright

Telephone: 207-928-9490

603-828-7643

Could you be contacted at work? YES □ NO □ If so, telephone #

Street address: 820 Middle Rd, Portsmouth, NH

Mailing address (if different): 

Email address (for clerk's office communication): samantha.c.wright@gmail.com

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 2 years 8 months

Occupational background:

Geomorphic at Truslow Resource Consulting LLC, an environmental consulting company in Portsmouth

Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

As part of my occupation I work on environmental issues daily. I have also presented projects to conservation commissions in other towns.
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved?  **YES/NO**

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings?  **YES/NO**

Reasons for wishing to serve: I would like to be more involved with local government and feel my background could help the Conservation Commission, and ultimately help protect the natural resources of Portsmouth.

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:


Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members: (Portsmouth references preferred)

1) John Formella 556 Sagamore Ave, Apt 20, Portsmouth
   Name, address, telephone number

2) Terri Way 102 White Cedar Blvd, Portsmouth 603-762-7444
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: ____________________________ Date: 3/18/15

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6/27/2012
CITY OF PORTSMOUTH, N.H. 
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS 

APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Instructions: Please print or type and complete all information. Please submit resume along with this application.

Committee: Portsmouth Recreation Board 
Renewing applicant

Name: Carl F. Diemer 
Telephone: 603-427-4517 Mobile 
603-431-2195 Home

Could you be contacted at work? YES/NO - If so, telephone # Same As Mobile

Street address: 337 Aldrich B, Portsmouth, NH 03801

Mailing address (if different): Same As Above

Email address (for clerk's office communication): CDiemer337@Comcast.Net

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 35 YEARS

Occupational background:
Automotive Manufacture Business Consultant
Community Organization

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? YES/NO

Reasons for wishing to continue serving: I have enjoyed serving on the board as I am interested and dedicated to providing the city of Portsmouth residents with the best recreational programs and facilities available.

6/27/2012
Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

BSA TROOP 164, PORTSMOUTH, NH
PORTSMOUTH ELKS' LODGE #97, PORTSMOUTH, NH

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members:
(Portsmouth references preferred)

1) **Thomas Ferrini**, 1 Taft Rd, Portsmouth, NH 312-5882
   Name, address, telephone number

2) **Ed Delvalle**, Buckminster Way, Portsmouth, NH 498-5330
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/20/15

CITY CLERK INFORMATION ONLY:

New Term Expiration Date: 9-1-2018

Annual Number of Meetings: 3 Number of Meetings Absent: 0

Date of Original Appointment: 11/27/2000

Please submit application to: City Clerk's Office, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801

6/27/2012
Committee: Board of Adjustment

Name: Patrick A. Moretti

Telephone: 603-433-2264

Could you be contacted at work? YES

If so, telephone: 603-436-7480

Street address: 63 Clinton Sr

Mailing address (if different):

Email address (for clerk's office communication): pmoretti@ricelumber.com

How long have you been a resident of Portsmouth? 54 yrs

Occupational background:

I have been the General Manager of Ricci Lumber Company in Portsmouth for over 30 years and an Employee since 1977. My position requires me to interact with 100's of customers, employees, manage inventory, buy and sell millions of dollars, and make decisions.

Please list experience you have in respect to this Board/Commission:

Having been in the building industry for all of my adult life, I've been involved in all facets of the construction process. I am well versed in blueprint reading, building codes, safety, structural analysis, and project management. As a lifetime resident I understand the need to balance the gains of the community with the needs of its citizens.

0/27/2012
Have you contacted the chair of the Board/Commission to determine the time commitment involved? [YES/NO]

Would you be able to commit to attending all meetings? [YES/NO]

Reasons for wishing to serve: [CURRENTLY SERVING AS AN ALTERNATE TO THE BOA, WISH TO SERVE AS A FULL MEMBER.]

Please list any organizations, groups, or other committees you are involved in:

- Energy Advisory Council
- Action Advisory Council
- Habitat for Humanity - Seacoast home builders
- Various School Committees
- Currently on the BOA as an Alternate

Please list two character references not related to you or city staff members:

1. Edward Hayes (603) 436-7480 105 Broadway St. Portsmouth
   Name, address, telephone number

2. Howard Pettit (603) 231-6495 60 Spencer Way, Kittery
   Name, address, telephone number

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Signature: [Signature] Date: 4/1/2015

If you do not receive the appointment you are requesting, would you be interested in serving on another board or commission? Yes [ ] No [X]

Please submit application to the City Clerk's Office, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH 03801

6/27/2012
Patrick O. Moretti  
63 Clinton St - Portsmouth, NH 03801  
(603)433-2264 - Cell (603)817-6501  
patmoretti@comcast.net

Summary
Dedicated team member eager to provide whatever support the business environment demands and the ownership requires. Having learned and worked at every position in a retail operation, my experience gives me the unique ability to adapt to any emerging situation. With a proven track record of increasing sales, profits, and customer loyalty, my passion is to help build a winning team with a commitment to optimizing a company's success.

Proficiencies
- Engineered Products and Design  
- Blueprint Design and Takeoff  
- Computer Network and Management  
- Personnel Administration  
- Advertising and Marketing  
- Product Knowledge and Procurement  
- Merchandising and Product Placement  
- Customer Relations  
- Instruction for Associate Growth  
- Procedural Development

Experience
Co-Operative Heating Service Portsmouth, NH Apprentice 1973-1980
Having been working with my father since a very young age, I was officially hired as a part time employee the summer of 74. My job was to run pipe and wire during the installation of boilers and electrical panels. Other tasks were to assemble motor units for the circulators and blower units, cut tin for duct work and clean up the job sites. This job taught me constructive thinking, problem solving, practical math skills and how to work with my hands. When I began college I left the company as a regular employee, but continued to fill in when I was needed and available. The company closed its doors in 1982 because of a terminal illness with the owner.

Ricci Supply Co Inc Portsmouth, NH Associate and Manager 1977-Present
Hired as a part time employee while I attended to college, within a year I was working fulltime for the company and going to school at night. Initially my job was stocking shelves in the hardware department, but moved into sales within 6 months. Over the next five years I was promoted through multiple jobs including lead CDL driver, Yard Foreman, Head Purchaser, Store Manager, IT Manager and finally General Manager and Vice President. On my watch, the company has grown from a small local operation to a nationally recognized building materials supplier. This was accomplished by developing innovative marketing ideas to drive customers in the door while maintaining a consistently well trained staff.

Other Experience
Izzy's Corner Grocery - Portsmouth, NH Stock Clerk 1974-1975
Two Brewers Steakhouse - Portsmouth, NH Fry Cook 1975
Rose's Corner Grill - Portsmouth, NH Part-time Cook 1976-1977
Rockingham Community Action Program - Summer Councilor of 1976 & 1977
To: Portsmouth City Councilors,

I have asked that the following item be placed on the City Council Agenda for our Monday, May 4th meeting:

Re: Arranging An Interactive Work Session For PS21 Topics On The Search For Walkability, On-Street Parking, And Street Flow.

During the past few months, PS21 - Portsmouth Smart Growth for the 21st Century -- has held three excellent and productive, thought-provoking forums where a large number of quality ideas for improving the walkability, on-street parking availability, and street / traffic flow have been presented.

This past Tuesday night, Portsmouth resident Rick Chellman, an internationally-known traffic engineer and street design expert, spoke on the topic "Rethinking Portsmouth Streets." He suggested a wide variety of ideas that could create several dozen on-street parking spaces, plus potentially improve street and traffic flow in our downtown area.

Two other recent forum presentations were offered by PS21, with parking expert Michael Manville and walkable cities author and planner Jeff Speck, who has written "Walkable City: How Downtown Can Survive America One Step At A Time."

Through the years, I have found that just about everyone has an opinion about what works well, and what would work better, in street flow and parking solutions. We have excellent city staff members who have developed expertise in this field, and a Parking and Traffic Safety Committee with dedicated members who visit these issues regularly.

As an aside, I was chair of the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee way back in 1977-78 when I was Assistant Mayor at that time, and we got very involved in an extensive citywide street/parking review project. It's interesting to see how so much has changed -- mostly for the better -- during the past 35+ years. (My goodness, more than a third of a Century ago? I'm feeling old just writing that.)

In each of the three PS21 forums, I learned something -- in fact, a lot. As a member of the audience, I was challenged to think "outside the box," as a 1990s business motto asked us to do. I think all in attendance at each of the PS 21 forums were so challenged. From judging the questions audience members raised, we have a lot to continue talking and thinking about. That's a good thing.

With that in mind, I suggest that we set up an interactive work session -- perhaps better described in this case as a "work shop" -- for the early fall in September or October to invite PS21 organizers to sift through some of the many ideas which we have already heard. I asked Rick Chellman if he would like to meet with the City
Council and staff in such a format, and depending on his schedule I'm sure that could be worked out.

Between now and that time, I'm sure the City Manager and staff are evaluating the ideas thus far presented at PS21 forums and will keep us up-to-date on their own suggestions for improvement. We should welcome the opportunity to explore how to improve our downtown, and involve a lot of our residents and businesses in that adventure. An interactive work session / work shop can allow us to do some of that.

Thank You,

Jim Splaine
City Councilor
ACTION ITEMS AND MINUTES
PARKING and TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

8:00 A.M. – Thursday, April 9, 2015
City Hall – Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers

Action Items Requiring City Council Approval
  V. A. - Two 15 Minute Meters at 241 Hanover Street
  VI. A. – Handicap Parking Request, Islington Street

Action Items not requiring City Council Approval
  V. B. – Proposed Bike Corral siting for summer 2015
  VI. B. – Sheafe Street Pay and Display Meter Installation

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Lown called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL:

Members Present:
Councilor, Brad Lown
Deputy City Manager, David Allen
Deputy Fire Chief, James Heinz
Police Sargent, Richard Webb
Parking & Transportation Engineer, Eric Eby
Member, Ted Gray
Member, Harold Whitehouse
Member, Shari Donnermeyer
Member, Ronald Cypher
Alternate Member, Mary Lou McElwain

Staff Advisors Present:
Transportation Planner, Juliet Walker
Parking Operations Supervisor, Tom Cocchiaro

III. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

Moved to accept March 5, 2015 Work Session Minutes and PTS Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2015,
Motion passed

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Motion passed
V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Request for two 15 minute meters, 241 Hanover Street, for Bubby’s Delicatessen -
Mr. Eby said that the spaces are underutilized according to the latest parking utilization
study. Greg Schweitzer, owner of Buddy’s Delicatessen located at 241 Hanover Street
located at the 30 Maplewood building, said his request is to accommodate patrons that are
on the go and want to stop in and pick up something quickly without fighting for parking. Mr.
Schweitzer noticed that the spots are not full very often, but with two 15 minute meters the
City would make more money because the meters would be used more often.

Mr. Whitehouse moved to approve the request, Mr. Heinz seconded the motion. Voted 8-1,
to approve request for two 15 minute meters. Ted Gray opposed the request for two
meters but would agree to one.

B. Proposed Bike Corral siting for Summer 2015— Juliet Walker, Transportation
Planner, presented proposed sites where bike corrals could be placed without removing on-
street parking: Daniel Street at Penhallow Street, and Market Street north side of
Commercial Alley. The Daniel Street location is the same as last year’s, located in a No
Parking area, which was a success. The Market Street site is a new location where parking
is not currently allowed. At the request of the committee last fall, City staff also identified
potential sites for replacing metered spaces with bike corrals. Two locations were identified:
Pleasant Street at the horse and carriage parking spot, and the west side of Market Street
north of the Ladd Street intersection.

Deputy Fire Chief Heinz would prefer to have an alternative location to Market Street at
Commercial Alley due to the limited access the fire truck has to the alley. If there were a 20
foot clear zone on Market Street on either side of Commercial Alley, the Fire Department
would have easier access.

Mr. Whitehouse moved to have a bike corral at Penhallow Street location, Mr. Gray
seconded the motion. Voted 9-0, to approve a bike corral at Penhallow Street.

Mrs. Donnermeyer motioned to have Juliet Walker provide a report back on revenue loss
due to replacing a metered parking space with a bike corral, Mr. Gray seconded the motion. Voted 9-0, to have Mrs. Walker and staff report back revenue loss due to replacing a metered parking space with a bike corral.

Mrs. McElwain understands that there is much congestion on Market Street and would
prefer the committee look at the beginning of Market Street versus the middle of Market
Street. Mrs. McElwain moved to have Mrs. Walker provide a bike corral option that is on
Market Street but located on the north end of Market Street when she reports back, Mr.
Whitehouse seconded the motion. Voted 9-0, to have Mrs. Walker and staff report back
with a proposal that shows a bike corral closer to the north end of Market Street.
Mr. Whitehouse and Mr. Cypher are opposed to removing parking spaces and replacing them with bike corrals. Mr. Whitehouse also suggests that the old bike racks located in front of the Irish pub be removed and the new black hooped bike racks be installed.

Mr. Allen responded that Mr. Rice has a schedule for redoing Market Square, the plan is not a standalone project but replacing the older bike racks are part of the capital plan.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. On-Street Handicap parking request, by Marjorie Crean- Mr. Eby recommended the committee designate one space as a handicap parking space in front of Robbins Auto Parts closest to the intersection of Parker Street.

Mr. Allen made a motion to go with the staff recommendation to have one handicap space in front of Robbins Auto Parts and enforcement of the 30 minute parking limit on the other spaces in front of Robbins Auto Parts, Mr. Whitehouse seconded the motion.

Councilor Lown said he had a conflict of interest and abstained from the vote.

Voted 8-0, to designate one space in front of Robbins Auto Parts, at 67 Islington Street closest to the intersection of Parker Street as a handicap space, with a 72 hour parking limit. The remaining spaces adhere to the 30-minute parking time limit with strict enforcement. Councilor Lown abstained.

Mrs. McElwain requested additional information to be provided at a later meeting regarding the ability to provide handicap parking spaces in the parking lot between Keefe House and the Discovery Center.

B. Sheafe Street Pay and Display Meter Installation – Dave Allen moved to postpone discussion of this item until residents are present, Mr. Cypher seconded the motion. Voted 9-0, to table the item until the next meeting so the residents are present.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

VIII. INFORMATIONAL:

A. Informational – New informational sign for handicap parking time restrictions in HOM zone - Eric Eby, Parking & Transportation Engineer presented a memo that was presented to the Council previously that outlines the 3-hour time restrictions on handicap parking for all parking spaces located within the High Occupancy Meter Zone. The new blue 3-hour time limit signs will be attached to the existing Pay Meter signs with information alerting handicap parkers to the 3-hour parking limit restrictions. Once all signs are installed a two
week grace period for all handicap parkers will be provided before parking enforcement begin to ticket.

B. **Informational - Update on potential agreement for public use of Albacore parking lot** – Juliet Walker, Transportation Planner said there are no formal agreements but there is discussion between the City and the Albacore Park Board of Directors to lease a portion of their lot to the City as satellite parking. The site is not within walking distance so shuttle service would have to be provided by the City or event organizers. The City has a shuttle service that could be utilized to transport to the satellite location for additional parking needs during special events.

C. **Informational - Valet Parking agreement renewals** - There are four Valet Parking agreements that are up for renewal in June 2015 for 100 Market Street - the 100 Club, and the last three locations 96 State Street, 86-57 Pleasant Street and Bow Street are managed by Atlantic Parking Services. All four of these locations would like to renew their valet parking agreements. Mary Lou concerned with congestion caused by valet parking on Bow Street. Eric to investigate and report back at next meeting.

D. **Informational - New Hampshire Railroad Crossing Project** – Public Works Director Peter Rice, and Parking & Transportation Engineer Eric Eby, met with the Department of Transportation (DOT). Mr. Eby said that DOT was in the process of putting together a Request For Proposal (RFP) to make improvements to five railroad crossing locations in the City. The 5 locations are: Barberry Lane, Maplewood Avenue, Green Street, Michael Succi Drive, and Gosling Road. Once an RFP is completed DOT will send DPW a copy, and will send the project out to bid and choose a contractor. The project cost would be about one million dollars; the City would be responsible for 10 percent of the cost which would be about one hundred thousand dollars.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT** - At 8:45 a.m., voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted by:

Cynthia Huyghue-Fancy
Secretary to the Committee
MEMO

TO: Honorable Mayor Robert Lister & Members of the City Council

FROM: Jack Thorsen, Councilor

DATE: April 29, 2015

SUBJECT: New Parking Garage (Update)

The following follow up discussion regarding the proposed parking garage on Deer Street is offered to you for consideration

In my previous memo on the subject, I proposed that we consider the financial impact of the new garage on residents, primarily through property tax revenue increases, apart from the plan to increase parking fees in other parking areas. I continue to hold that view.

The goal, in my mind, is to determine whether or not residents are being asked to pay for value they do not receive. If true, we should reject the plan. If residents receive a net benefit from the new garage, then we should support the plan, since it should be very clear that the new garage would have a beneficial effect on downtown businesses and development, and alleviate parking and congestion issues.

Principle: Taxpayers should not have to pay for benefits they do not get.

In my previous memo (see Council Packet for April 20th meeting) I outlined how we can calculate an increase in commercial property tax revenue due to an increase in parking spaces, where the calculation is based on new visitors spending money in the city. The answer was that six hundred new parking spots would generate $340 thousand in property taxes due to visitor spending.

The consultant’s presentation on April 20th corroborated this, and went on to suggest other ways that property tax revenue would increase as a result of new parking.

Since writing my last memo, I have spent many hours with other councilors, with property developers, with business owners, and with residents talking about the new garage, with the purpose to try to determine all the ways the new garage could benefit residents to offset the cost. The following is a summary of what I found.

Step 1: Mitigate the $1.3 million first year cost of the new garage by looking at how the new garage brings in new tax revenue.
Here is a summary of this first step. Each item is based on the calculation of tax revenue from newly created business income. For brevity, I am not including the specific calculations as I did last time.

- Tax revenue increase from new visitors - $340 thousand.
- Tax revenue increase from increase in office rents - $300 thousand.
- Tax revenue increases from other considerations, such as spending by new employees, support for new development, and direct increases to commercial property values in the immediate vicinity is hard to calculate, but is likely to be no less than, and probably substantially more than - $200 thousand.

The total amount of tax revenue increase above is $840 thousand, which is very close to the amount in the consultant’s presentation, and is, in my opinion, a good proxy for the minimum value returned to taxpayers in the form of tax relief.

Subtracting the value returned to taxpayers from the cost is $1.3 million minus $840 thousand, or $460 thousand. Residents contribute 60% of property taxes collected, so the shortfall for residents is approximately $300 thousand. It could be higher.

Losses will be less in subsequent years, so if we reach the goal in the first year, there will be positive benefit in all subsequent years. On the other hand, it may take a few years to realize the tax revenue increases, so there is a time lag factor that should be taken into account.

**Step 2: Mitigate the $300 thousand shortfall seen by residents by providing value back to residents in forms other than increasing tax revenue.**

The best way to bring value back to residents is to increase commercial tax revenue, as noted above. Less desirable, but still beneficial, is to identify other means of returning value. I list a few of these below, all of which could be part of an overall Resident Parking Program.

- Resident parking discounts.
- Resident parking passes for selected areas.
- Resident only parking areas in neighborhoods that need it and want it.

For example, the Program might put $750K into a parking fund that is used to give residents a discount when they use the parking metering device. Since this is a new cost to the plan, it raises property taxes, and residents will pay 60% of that, or $450 thousand. The net value to residents, then, is actually $300 thousand we are looking for. If $500 thousand were put into the fund, the net value to residents would be $160 thousand and would be short of the goal, but could be made up with
other concessions. For example, free parking passes in selected areas that may be newly metered may be enough to close the gap.

If we believe that the additional value outlined in Step 2 mitigates the shortfall seen in Step 1, and if the Council agrees to add it to the plan, then it is reasonable to support the new garage on the basis of economic value to residents.

My vote will depend on whether the city can put forth a plan that protects the resident against tax increases, before considering fee increases in other parking areas.

Other benefits

Only after we have made the new garage plan harmless to residents can we then look at other benefits.

Much has been said about the benefit to businesses, developers, and commercial property owners. I think this is clearly the case, and I won’t speak further on that.

In addition, new jobs will be created. The consultant’s presentation shows that about 20% of jobs are held by residents. Based on average income, the benefit to local job holders is around $9 million.

The parking system as a whole currently puts $2.4 million into the general fund, pays $200 thousand for the shuttle service to the Market Street extension parking lot, $117 thousand to the matching fees for the trolley service, $75 thousand to the Coast Transportation dues, $143 thousand to senior transportation, and $250 thousand to snow removal. All these will continue unaffected.

Other issues

One very large concern is that raising parking fees will impact workers. Providing satellite parking can help solve this, and is one reason to consider purchasing the Frank Jones property. This property already has parking areas ready-made for use, and could be used for another garage at some time in the future when the property is developed.

The new garage will take a few years to build. The Frank Jones property can be used now to help workers.

Other considerations for purchasing that property are the need to complete the connector road, support parking for the newly developing West End (Islington Street), and be a possible site for a travel center, or new Police Department facility. Excess land could be sold at an increased valuation after the development above, for further development, which could substantially offset the original purchase price. But these latter benefits are not part of the parking analysis.
We should consider changing our pricing structure paradigm prior to building the new garage

I’ve also written on the subject of “pricing to capacity,” as presented by Manville. I bring this topic up here because the city should begin now to build the mechanism that will control pricing based on existing utilization of parking inventory prior to the new garage going online. The benefit would be to get ahead of the cost of the new garage and mitigate some of the time lag in benefits mentioned above. Starting now would also help smooth out any ramp in pricing, so that the changes are not so sudden.

I’d like to see this be a part of the planning for the new garage. Perhaps six months prior would be helpful.

We are not voting on the plan, but on whether to authorize a bond.

That means we have more time to work the plan to create more value for residents after voting on the bond issue, and to address other issues related to our overall transportation needs. The plan before us is not set in concrete, even after the bond vote.

Thank you for reading and considering this memo.

Sincerely,

Jack Thorsen
City Councilor
City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire