

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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**DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021**

**TIME: 6:30PM**

***(CONTINUED FROM MARCH 8, 2021)***

***Items stricken have been voted upon***

## AGENDA

~~I. 5:30PM – WORK SESSION REGARDING ISLINGTON STREET CORRIDOR PHASE TWO  
(2) PROJECT~~

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~~II. PUBLIC DIALOGUE SESSION [when applicable – every other regularly scheduled meeting] – **POSTPONED**~~

III. CALL TO ORDER [7:00 p.m. or thereafter]

IV. ROLL CALL

V. INVOCATION

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

~~VII. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES~~

~~VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE REPORTS~~

~~A. Presentation from the Recreation Board Regarding Edge Sports Facility and Tennis Court Update~~

~~IX. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION – (Via Zoom)~~

~~X. PUBLIC DIALOGUE SUMMARY [when applicable] – **POSTPONED**~~

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND VOTES ON ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS

### Public Hearing Reconvened - Capital Improvement Plan (CIP):

A. \*CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) FY 2022-2027 (Public Hearing held and remained open at the February 8, 2021 until March 8, 2021)

- PRESENTATION (Presentation was held at the January 13, 2021 Work Session)
- CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
- PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
- ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

### Third and Final Reading:

- B. Third and Final Reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 1, Article III, Section 1.310 – Zoning Board of Adjustment and Article IV, Section 1.404 – Historic District Commission

## XII. MAYOR BECKSTED

1. \*Appointment of Renee Giffroy to the Arts & Non-Profit Blue Ribbon Committee
2. ~~\*Appointment of Liaison/Representative from Reopen Portsmouth 2021 to the Arts & Non-Profit Blue Ribbon Committee~~
3. ~~\*Request to Schedule a Public Informational Session Re: Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. **(Sample motion – move to hold a Public Informational Session regarding the Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.)**~~
4. ~~\*Request to Reschedule City Manager Check-in to Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. **(Sample motion – move to reschedule the City Manager Check-in to Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.)**~~
5. Adoption of City Council Principles for Legislative Positions

## XIII. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

### A. COUNCILOR McEACHERN

1. \*Identification of City owned lands that could serve as spots for affordable housing **(Sample motion – move to request the City Manager report back on potential sites for affordable housing)**
2. Pickleball Courts **(Sample motion – move to request City Manager direct City Staff to convert two tennis courts at South Playground to Pickleball Courts)**
3. RFP for Public / Private Sports Complex **(Sample motion – move to request the City Manager issue an RFP for Public / Private Sports Complex)**

### B. COUNCILOR KENNEDY

1. \*Upgrade the Greenleaf Skateboard Park **(Sample motion – move to the Recreational Committee with a report back on the following: How the city can fix the Greenleaf Skateboard Park while working with the citizens group. This report should be given at the April 5<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting)**
2. \*Demolition Committee **(Sample motion – move a report back from the Planning Board, Historic District Commission, and Demolition Committee on how to improve the Demolition Committee. This will include but not be limited to deterrents for the demolition of Portsmouth buildings, fines for misconduct, and public comments at meetings. The expectation would be a report back at the April 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting)**

### **C. COUNCILOR KENNEDY & COUNCILOR HUDA**

1. \*Middle Street Bike Lane (*Sample motion – move to make modifications to the Middle Street bike lane from Highland Street to the intersection of Lincoln Avenue and Middle Street. This would be completed by moving the cars back to the curb, adding a flashing cross walk sign and crosswalk, and designate Lincoln Avenue as a safe route to schools bike route. This should be completed by April 15, 2021*)

### **D. COUNCILOR HUDA**

1. Capital Improvement Plan & Associated Bonding Process (*Sample motion – move that the City Manager provide an update to the bonds issued and authorized un-issued report previously provided that identifies the CIP Projects listed under the description of:*

- *Bi-Annual Street Paving*
- *Bi-Annual Sidewalk Improvements*
- *School Building Improvements*
- *Elementary School Improvements*
- *Citywide Bridges*
- *Citywide Bridge Improvements*
- *Citywide Building Improvements*
- *Annual Waterline Replacements*
- *Annual Sewer Line Replacements*
- *Pumping Station Upgrades*

*I am requesting this level of transparency to help the residents/taxpayers see the projects that affect their streets, neighborhoods, and schools, which their tax dollars are funding thru the general fund or bonding.*

*Also to bring more transparency to the process by which project construction timing is prioritized or adjusted then funded for the Capital Improvement Plan.*

*These requests are being made in response to taxpayer questions on:*

- *Islington Street Construction*
- *Elwyn Road Sidewalks*
- *Pevely Hill Sidewalks*
- *Sound Barrier Wall Construction Off I-95*
- *Middle Road & Route 33 Safety Updates*
- *Maplewood Bridge Construction*

### **XIV. APPROVAL OF GRANTS/DONATIONS**

- A. Donation of Bike Service Station from Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders (SABR)

### **XV. CITY MANAGER'S ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION**

#### **A. CITY MANAGER CONARD**

##### **City Manager's Items Which Require Action:**

1. Building Permit Fee Waiver for the South Church
2. \*Request to Schedule a Work Session Regarding Peirce Island Master Plan

3. Request to Schedule a Public Hearing for Refunding (Refinancing) a Callable Bond
4. 46 Maplewood Avenue Revised Public Access Easement
5. 145 Maplewood Avenue Request for Extension of Temporary Construction License
6. Proposed Longmeadow Road Extension Project
7. Patricia Drive Release of City Interest and Renaming of Private Road

## **XVI. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Request for License to Install a Projecting Sign for owner Melissa Pitcher, Max Charles, LLC for property located at 168 Fleet Street (***Anticipated action - move to approve the aforementioned Projecting Sign Licenses as recommended by the Planning Director, and further, authorize the City Manager to execute the License Agreement 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 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***
- B. Letter from Fred Petrone, I Got Bridged, requesting permission to hold a Walk-A-Thon for the charity "I GOT BRIDGED" on Sunday, September 26, 2021 or Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (***Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act***)
- C. Letter from Barbara Massar, Pro Portsmouth, Inc., updated programming events:
- Children's Day – Sunday, May 2, 2021; cancelled
  - 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Market Square Day Festival & 10k Road Race – Saturday, June 12, 2021; re-scheduled to Saturday, September 18, 2021
  - 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer in the Street – Originally planned for Saturday evenings – July 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>; TBD
- (***Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act***)

## **XVII. PRESENTATIONS & CONSIDERATION OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS**

- A. Email Correspondence (***Sample motion – move to accept and place on file***)

**XVIII. CITY MANAGER'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. Report Back on FY18, FY19, and FY20 CAFR Unidentified Projects as Requested by Councilor Huda at the 2/22/2021 Council Meeting
2. Report Back on Proposed Modifications to the Middle Street Bike Lanes
3. Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit and Draft Intermunicipal Agreement

**XIX. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS INCLUDING BUSINESS REMAINING UNFINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING**

**XX. ADJOURNMENT [at 10:00 p.m. or earlier]**

**KELLI L. BARNABY, MMC/CNHMC  
CITY CLERK**

*\* Indicates verbal report*