

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

July 9, 2020

**5:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

(RC)

**Present:** Mayor Colin Read, Councilors Ira Barbell (W1), Mike Kelly (W2), Elizabeth Gibbs (W3), Steve Brodi (W4), Patrick McFarlin (W5), Jeff Moore (W6)

**Absent:**

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**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

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**1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Common Council held on July 1, 2020 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_  
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

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**2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:**

**RESOLVED:** That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending July 8, 2020 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_  
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

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**3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for June 23 - July 6, 2020
- Minutes from the Governance, Strategy & City Operations Committee meeting held on July 1, 2020
- Reports from the Police Department dated July 6, 2020
- Report from the City Clerk's Office of all monies received during the month of June 2020 in the total amount of \$4,857.00
- Report from the Director of Community Development for Green St. Improvements & Plattsburgh Farmer's and Crafter's Market Relocation dated July 7, 2020
- Report from City Planner to Establish Traffic Zone Designation No. 970

**COUNCILOR/DEPARTMENT CHAIR COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Governance, Strategy, and City Operations-** Chair Councilor Barbell

**City Infrastructure** – Chair Councilor Moore

**Finance and Budget** – Chair Councilor Kelly

**Public Safety** – Chair Councilor Gibbs

**Plattsburgh Public Library** – Chair Councilor McFarlin

**MLD - MLD Board President** Councilor McFarlin

**RESOLVED:** That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and any written reports are placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk’s Office.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_  
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

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**4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None**

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**5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**RESOLVED:** That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the week ending July 10, 2020 in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_  
(All in Favor/opposed)

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

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**6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:**

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**7. OTHER ITEMS:**

**A.** Whereas, the park joining Margaret Street to the west and Durkee Street to the east has long served as a pathway from the Strand Center for the Arts and the Durkee Street Parking Lot, and

Whereas, with development of the Durkee lot that will allow more people to live downtown and residents and visitors alike to finally access the river between the Veterans' and the Kennedy Bridges, and,

Whereas there will be a continuous greenspace and sculpture garden between the Strand Center for the Arts and the newly opened riverfront, and

Whereas, this Arts Walk will serve the City for decades to come, and

Whereas, Senator Betty Little has also served this City for decades as our State Senator, and is about to retire as the Arts Walk is about to be completed,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the described greenspace between Margaret Street and Durkee Street shall be known as the Betty Little Arts Park.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**B.** Whereas, the Common Council of the City of Plattsburgh has the power and duty to adopt the annual budget and appropriate moneys; and

Whereas, the Common Council has the power and duty to make investigations into the affairs of the City and the conduct of any City department; and

Whereas, on June 11, 2020, the Mayor presented his 2021 budget and a public hearing on said proposed budget was completed on June 25, 2020; and

Whereas, the Common Council is now reviewing the Mayor's proposed 2021 budget and as part of that review, requires information from particular City departments; and

Whereas, some information and data requested by the Common Council from particular City departments has not been provided to the Common Council in a timely manner.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the 2020/2021 budget review, any written requests for data by any member of the Public Safety Committee which may impact the 2020/2021 budget shall be provided by the Department Heads from the respective Police Department, Fire Department or Building Inspector to the Public Safety Committee of the Common Council within seven calendar days of the written request.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**C. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council accepts and authorizes the property owner to enter into a contract with the lowest priced, qualified selected bid for “Downtown Grant Program – 21 Bridge Street Renovations” for renovation work related to the 21 Bridge Street project pursuant to the Downtown Grant Program Administrative Plan.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**D. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves rejecting all bids received for “City of Plattsburgh: Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) Arts Park”.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**E. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council agrees to and authorizes the execution of the First Amendment to the Host Agreement between the City, the Adirondack Coast Visitor’s Bureau, and B.A.S.S., LLC for the 2020 Bassmaster Elite Series fishing tournament to be held between July 30 and August 2, 2020.

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**8. TRAVEL REQUEST:**

**A. RESOLVED:** In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves

By Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**ACTION TAKEN:** Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_ Tabled \_\_\_\_\_

Follow up Action:

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**9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION: None**

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**10. NEW BUSINESS AND COUNCILOR REPORTS:**

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**11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY TOPIC:**

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Motion to Adjourn by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_; Seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_

Roll call: Councilors Barbell, Kelly, Gibbs, Brodi, McFarlin, Moore

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** \_\_\_\_\_