



**CITY OF PITTSFIELD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL**  
**February 11, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Pittsfield City Hall, City Council Chambers**

**AGENDA**

1. Open microphone

**APPOINTMENTS**

2. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Ricardo Morales as the Commissioner of Public Services and Utilities
3. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Stephen Smith to the Board of Health
4. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Amanda McGregor to the Commission on Disabilities

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR THE MAYOR**

5. A communication from Mayor Tyer on a presentation from Downtown Pittsfield, Inc. Annual Review
6. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$56,317.59 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security
7. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$8,393.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security
8. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$1,100.00 from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation
9. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs
10. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to enter into and execute subordinations of certain easements on land of the Pittsfield Economic Development Authority
11. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to amend Order 57 of 2019 authorizing the use and expenditure of the City's current revolving funds
12. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$29,863.40 from the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association
13. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel
14. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Personnel, Compensation Schedule

15. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$439,421.60 from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
16. A communication from Mayor Tyer with a response to Councilor Maffuccio's petition on the replacement of the police department
17. A communication from Mayor Tyer with a response to Councilor Maffuccio's petition requesting the City's Youth Commission be revived
18. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing a Tax Increment Financing Agreement for WJK Realty Inc. and John's Building Supply
19. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order authorizing a five year Tax Increment Financing Agreement for Somnath, LLC

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

20. A public hearing on a petition from the Pittsfield Community Development Board to amend the City of Pittsfield Zoning Map and Text in relations to the Tyler Street area by creating the Tyler Street Overlay District and modifications to the base zoning map. The request also includes the creation of a three-family land use category, and adjusts dimensional requirements within the R-M district, recommending to approve 5/0

#### **COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND BOARDS**

21. A communication from Councilors Moon, Caccamo and White requesting the Traffic Commission to review the implementation of Alternate Side Parking
22. A communication from Community Development Director Ruffer on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting an update on the Tyler Street Fire Station and the former Hess Gas Station
23. A communication from Community Development Director Ruffer on a petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting an update on the vacancy rates on North Street

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### *Report of the Committee on Ordinances and Rules*

24. A report from the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a communication from Ellen Maxon, Chairperson of the Police Advisory and Review Board requesting to amend the City Code, Chapter 2, recommending to approve 5/0
25. A report from the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from the Pittsfield Community Development Board to amend the City of Pittsfield Zoning Map and Text in relations to the Tyler Street area by creating the Tyler Street Overlay District and modifications to the base zoning map. The request also includes the creation of a three-family land use category, and adjusts dimensional requirements within the R-M district, recommending to approve 5/0
26. A report from the Committee on Ordinances and Rules on a petition from Rinaldo DelGallo, III requesting to enact a "Puppy Mill Ban Law", recommending to approve 5/0

##### *A REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE*

27. A report from the Finance Committee on an Order to rescind \$2,437,022 of authorized but unissued debt, recommending to approve 4/0

28. A report from the Finance Committee on an Order to appropriate \$168,382.00 of parking revenue to fund repairs/modifications within the McKay Street parking garage, recommending to approve 4/0

**NEW BUSINESS**

29. A petition from Alex Blumin requesting the City Council President have a limited term
30. A petition from Alex Blumin requesting the City Council address his previous petition concerning the Mayors term

**MATTERS TENTATIVELY REFERRED BY THE PRESIDENT UNDER RULE 27**

**REFERRED TO THE MAYOR, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

31. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting to explore the cost and benefits of having an ambulance services within our Fire Department.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE**

32. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio to assess the Fire Department training tower on Pecks Road

**REFERRED TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE PW SUBCOMMITTEE**

33. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a list of street projects that are scheduled to be done this coming construction season

**REFERRED TO THE MAYOR AND THE HOMELESS COMMISSION**

34. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Homeless Commission have the ability to apply for grants to assist the homeless

**REFERRED TO THE CITY SOLICITOR**

35. A petition from Alex Blumin requesting the City Council improve the City's web page concerning the City Council