



**CITY OF PITTSFIELD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**PITTSFIELD CITY COUNCIL via ZOOM**  
**February 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.**

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**AMENDED-AGENDA**

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and state and federal orders and guidance imposing strict limits on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the City Council will be conducted exclusively via remote participation. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to watch the meeting may do so on PCTV. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the City's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

**NOTE:** If you are required to participate in a particular item, you may do so by calling (312) 626-6799, Enter the Meeting ID, 993 2725 8221 on your phone's keypad and press #. Press # again.

1. Open microphone
2. COVID-19 update from the Administration

**APPOINTMENTS**

3. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Joseph LaRoche, Robert E. Harrison and Ezra Small to the Green Commission
4. A communication from Mayor Tyer reappointing Ellen Maxon, Michael Feldberg, Erin Sullivan and Alfred Barbalunga to the Police Advisory and Review Board

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR THE MAYOR**

5. A communication from Mayor Tyer appointing Julian Bernal, Kyle Dube, Brian Henault, Robert Horne, John Torra and Bradley Wheat as Police Officers with the Pittsfield Police Department
6. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting two Orders to accept a grant of funds in the amount of \$1,300.00 from the MED-Project Drug Stewardship Program to the Pittsfield Police Department
7. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Order to accept an additional grant of funds in the amount of \$5,000 from AmeriCorps Seniors for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program
8. A communication from Mayor Tyer submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Human Resources to sections 16-14, 16-17 and 16-21

9. A communication from Mayor Tyler submitting an Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 16, Human Resources, Attachment 1, Compensation Schedules

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

10. A public hearing to amend City Code Chapter 23 Zoning, Article 23-2, Section 2.2, Article 23-4, Section 4.202, Article 23-7, Section 7.736, Section 7.854, Section 7.735, and Section 7.853, as proposed the amendment would prohibit outdoor commercial marijuana cultivation in all zoning districts

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

11. A recommendation from the Community Development Board on an outdoor marijuana cultivation zoning petition, recommending to reject the petition in its current form
12. A report from the Ordinance and Rules Committee on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting City Code, Chapter 8, Solid Waste and Disposal, be fully reviewed and revised where needed, referred to the Resource Recovery Committee

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

#### **Report from the Public Works Committee**

13. A report from the Public Works Committee on a petition from Councilor Morandi requesting the Mayor to eliminate the new bike lanes on North Street and return the two travel lanes for vehicles, recommending the petition be denied 3/2

#### **Report from the Community and Economic Development Committee**

14. A report from the Community and Economic Development Committee on an order from the Mayor requesting \$960,000.00 in Pittsfield Economic Development Funds to fund infrastructure improvements on Dan Fox Drive, recommending to approve 5/0

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

15. A petition from Councilors Maffuccio and Morandi asking to appoint a City Youth Advisor (*Tabled March 10, 2020*)
16. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the City Council seek to have their own Attorney separate from the City Solicitor (January 12, 2021)

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

#### **Referred to the Public Works Committee and the Commissioner of Public Works**

17. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting to evaluate the location of 4 Jeebe Street and install a "Do Not Block Driveway" sign

#### **Referred to the Commissioner of Public Works**

18. A petition from Councilor Morandi requesting an update on the construction upgrades and costs associated with the City Wastewater Treatment Plant

#### **Referred to the Health Department and the Commissioner of Public Works**

19. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Commissioner and the Health Department evaluate the following locations for illegal trash pick up

Referred to the Health Department and the Building Commissioner

20. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Building Commissioner and the Health Department evaluate the Cell/Radio Tower located at 39 Lakewood Drive for height compliance and radio waves

Referred to the Health Department

21. A petition from Councilor Persip requesting ways to improve snow removal on city sidewalks and hold residents and businesses accountable for clearing

Referred to the Public Works Committee

22. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio proposing to increase the bulky waste sticker fee
23. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting a proposal be made for solid waste collection and recycling for more options to better serve the people of this community

Referred to the Homeless Advisory Committee

24. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Homeless Advisory Committee allow an open mic period as all other Boards, Committees and Commissions do
25. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting the Homeless Advisory Committee to work with the Western Mass RLC organization who is a service provider and work with the homeless

Referred to the Finance Director and the Business and Finance Asst. Superintendent for the School Dept

26. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting and independent audit into the finances of every municipal department and administration office by line item

Referred to the Ordinance and Rules Committee

27. A petition from Councilor Maffuccio requesting to review Chapter 14 Offenses Miscellaneous Section 14-17 Recreational land vehicle restrictions and exceptions in dealing with illegal snowmobile use and off terrain recreational vehicles nuisance

Referred to the Traffic Commission

28. A petition from Councilors Lampiasi and White requesting appropriate lines or markings painted near the Government Drive Bridge to better signal the need to merge and to discourage left turns