

**CIVIC CENTER COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2020**

Attendees:

CCC Members: Chairman John Harrity, Commissioner Patrick Lowe, Commissioner John Brissette, Commissioner Jim Knowlton, & Commissioner Lowell Alexander

City: John Odell,

ASM: Sandy Dunn

Minutes Prepared by: John Odell, City

1. Call to Order

Chairman Harrity brought the meeting to order at 4:08pm.

2. Amendment to ASM Global and City of Worcester DCU Center Facility Management Agreement

John Odell introduced the topic of an Amendment to the existing City contract with ASM Global regarding the use of the facility by UMass Medical for a temporary field hospital to deal with the Covid19 pandemic. Commissioner Patrick Lowe requested to abstain from the conversation and the vote as he recently became a doctor and could be needed at the field hospital. Sandy Dunn went further into the details of what was planned for the hospital and noted UMass was in charge of all the setup and logistics, though some on her staff were assisting as required. Chairman Harrity asked if the field hospital would only be needed for the duration of the State's stay-at-home order. Sandy noted that was not the case and that the field hospital would stay open for as long as it was deemed needed by UMass Medical. Chairman Harrity asked if only UMass patients would use the field hospital. Sandy responded that the intent was that patients from any hospital could be transferred there but that the final logistics of that were still being worked out. The medical staff and field hospital operators would be all from UMass. Sandy also pointed out that the use of the space was outside the typical contracted use with ASM Global, but that a license and appropriate insurance would be part of any agreement between ASM Global and UMass. Commissioner Harrity thanked Sandy and her team for all the work they have done to date to support UMass in this effort.

The first vote was for rent-free use of the space for UMass to run the hospital starting from April 1st until such time as the field hospital was no longer needed and could be removed.

(4 yeas, 0 nays) *Motion passed.*

The 2nd vote was to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a license agreement, once finalized by all parties, allowing UMass the use of the space for the field hospital.

(4 yeas, 0 nays) *Motion passed.*

3. Adjournment

Chairman Harrity motioned to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Brissette.

Vote - (4 yeas, 0 nays) *Motion passed.*

Meeting Adjourned at 4:27 pm

Next Meeting - via WebEx video and audio:

Thursday, April 23 at 3P