

Municipal Operations Committee PENDING LIST

Chairperson Councilor Sean M Rose
Vice Chairperson Councilor Kathleen M Toomey
Councilor George J Russell

Communications of the City Manager

1. Transmitting informational communication relative to the City of Worcester's Federal Grant Management protocols.
#9.4A CM April 23, 2019
2. Transmitting informational communication relative to the City's Strategic Plan.
#10.36A CM March 26, 2019
3. Transmitting semi-annual financial statements (December 31, 2018) and a detail breakdown of expenses of the Worcester Redevelopment Authority (WRA).
#13b CC February 26, 2019
4. Transmitting informational communication relative to the Affirmative Action Plan, Hiring, Recruitment, and Retention Policy Updates and Initiatives.
#7.3A CM February 5, 2019
5. Transmitting informational communication relative to the DCU Special District Improvement Fund.
#8.26A CM January 22, 2019
6. Transmitting informational communication relative to a financial update for the period ending November 30, 2018.
#9.27A CM January 8, 2019

7. Transmitting informational communication relative to recommending adoption of a proposed ordinance to ban environmentally harmful single-use plastic checkout bags.
#9.13A CM December 11, 2018
8. Transmitting to informational communication relative to recommending that Four Million Two Hundred Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred Forty Four Dollars and No Cents (\$4,298,144.00) be transferred to finalize the City's Fiscal Year 2019 annual budget by appropriating the City's Fiscal Year 2018 certified free cash.
#9.33A CM December 11, 2018
In Committee for Informational Purposes Only
In Committee January 29, 2019 - Held
9. Transmitting informational communication relative to the development and announcement of the City of Worcester Strategic and Master Plan, and Lean Management.
#9.36A CM October 31, 2017

Communications of the City Auditor

10. Transmitting communication relative to the DCU Center - Annual Audit.
#13b CC April 30, 2019
11. Transmitting communication relative to Single Audit Report June 30, 2018.
#13a CC April 30, 2019
12. Transmitting for your review the annual audited financial statements and management letter of the Worcester Redevelopment Authority (WRA) for the year ended June 30, 2018 and 2017. Also transmitting a detailed listing of expenses for the same period.
#11a CC March 5, 2019
13. Transmitting for your review the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended June 30, 2018.
#11a CC January 29, 2019

14. Transmitting communication relative to preliminary unaudited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.
#11a CC October 30, 2018
15. Transmitting quarterly report concerning accounts of cash that are not collateralized or insured.
#17e CC September 25, 2018
16. Transmitting two (2) actuarial reports of the Worcester Retirement System (WRS) as of January 1, 2018 as prepared by Segal Consulting.
#17d CC September 25, 2018
17. Transmitting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Worcester Retirement System (WRS) for its year ending December 31, 2017.
#17c CC September 25, 2018

Property Valuation, Assessing & Abatements

18. Petition of William S. Coleman III request City Council consider suggesting to City Administration that Worcester participate in a "Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement Program".
#7b CC January 29, 2019
19. Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a report containing samples of taxes for properties in each district and throughout the City if the City were to initiate a process for moving 5 or more unit properties from the residential tax rate to the commercial tax rate.
#8.25A CM October 9, 2018
20. Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to clarification concerning whether the city can create a home rule petition to change the definition of residential units.
#8.13A CM October 9, 2018

21. Report of the Committee on Municipal Operations Upon the Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to an update of a previous report concerning what the impact would be if 4 to 8 unit properties and 9 or above unit properties were moved to a commercial tax rate using the current valuations and the rational the state used to classify income properties and how many buildings have 9 or above units in the city: recommend adoption of the accompanying Order to request the City Manager to initiate process for moving 5 or more unit properties from residential tax rate to commercial tax rate. (Tabled Under Privilege - Rose September 12, 2018) and (Tabled - Petty September 25, 2018)
#11b CC October 9, 2018
 22. Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a the effects of the residential exemption available to owner occupied residential properties.
#8.25B CM October 9, 2018
 23. Communication of the City Manager transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the increases in the assessments of waterfront properties.
#10.25A CM January 24, 2017
In Committee March 22, 2017- Held
In Committee August 16, 2017 - Held
In Committee - November 26, 2018 - Held
- Miscellaneous**
24. Order of Councilor Konstatina B. Lukes – Request Standing Committee on Municipal Operations consider coordinating the evaluation of the City Manager with any contract and salary increase for the City Manager, so that it is tied to performance in the future.
#12f CC January 15, 2019
 25. Order of Councilor Konstatina B. Lukes – Request Standing Committee on Municipal Operations consider looking into the appropriateness of having a, “State of the City,” address for the city.

#12g CC January 15, 2019

26. Petition of Stephen Quist request City Council vote up or down to place on the November 6, 2018 ballot a question to create a Charter Review Committee.
#9e CC June 26, 2018
27. Petition of Norman Guertin et al request the city of Worcester stop selling tax liens of owner occupied houses of elderly persons over the age of 62 years to third parties.
#7a CC May 29, 2018
28. Petition of Kathryn Hagan request that the dog license fee be waived for owners that are 65 years of age and over, instead of the current age of 70.
#8b CC April 24, 2018
In Committee August 20, 2018 - Held
29. Petition of Stephen Quist request City Council go on record supporting the creation of a City of Worcester Charter Commission to review term limits, etc.
#6g CC January 30, 2018
30. Report of the Committee on Economic Development Upon the Communication of Mayor Joseph M. Petty transmitting "A Report of the Discussions of the Mayor's Tax Policy Committee"; recommend to refer to the Standing Committee on Municipal Operations the portions of the Mayor's Tax Policy Communication relating to the following: 1.) Commonwealth Compensation for the Provision of Regional Social Services; 2.) Chapter 70 Funding Reform; 3.) State Pilot Payments; 4.) Expanding Local Pilot Program; 5.) Tax Relief Programs; 6.) Consolidation- Placed on file in Committee September 5, 2017; 7.) Creating a Penny Sales Tax and; 8.) Moving Multi-Unit Housing from Residential to Commercial Tax Rate - Placed on file in Committee August 20, 2018.
#12a CC May 30, 2017
In Committee September 5, 2017 - Portion relative to (6) Consolidation - Placed

on file

In Committee August 20, 2018 - Portion relative to (8) Moving Multi-Unit Housing from Residential to Commercial Tax Rate - Placed on file In Committee November 26, 2018 Portion relative to 1.) Commonwealth Compensation for the Provision of Regional Social Services and 7.) Creating a Penny Sales Tax - Held

Revenue & Bond Items

- 31. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Finance - Request City Manager submit every April 1st to City Council a draft for consideration the Budget relative to Revenue for the next fiscal year. (Lukes)
#20m CC June 12, 2018
- 32. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Finance - Request City Manager submit every April 1st to City Council a draft for consideration the Capital Budget for the next fiscal year. (Lukes)
#20n CC June 12, 2018
- 33. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Finance - Request City Council submit an Action Plan or a list of priorities, every January 1st, to be considered by the City Manager before he begins preparation of the yearly budget. (Lukes)
#20r CC June 12, 2018
- 34. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Finance - Request City Manager limit increases to the annual budget relative to appropriations to 2 1/2%. (Lukes)
#20o CC June 12, 2018

Miscellaneous Communication

- 35. Joseph Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, transmitting communication relative to the amount to be appropriated to the city's retirement system for Fiscal Year 2020 which commences July 1, 2019.
#12a CC January 8, 2019

