Public Health and Human Services Committee
PENDING LIST

Vice Chairperson	**Councilor Khrystian E King**
Chairperson	**Councilor Gary Rosen**
	Councilor Kathleen M Toomey

Communications of the City Manager

1. Transmitting informational communication relative to the Office of New Americans.
   #9.19A CM September 10, 2024

Miscellaneous

2. Order of Councilor Gary Rosen - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services meet jointly with the Board of Health for the purpose of reviewing matters relating to public health, the elderly, the equality of women, youth services, public housing, the disabled and community development block grant funding listed on their agenda.
   #10k CC September 22, 2026

3. Order of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services invite all social service agencies working with homeless and addiction treatment programs to discuss their efforts in assisting the city in ameliorating the public health and public safety issues over the last few months.
   #12g CC September 15, 2026

4. Order of Councilor Gary Rosen, Councilor Morris A. Bergman, Councilor Tony Economou, Councilor John P. Fresolo, Councilor Khrystian E. King, Councilor Satya B. Mitra, Councilor Luis A. Ojeda, Councilor Jose A. Rivera, Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey and Mayor Joseph M. Petty - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold a meeting with representatives from the Board of Health, selected medical

professionals, youth advocacy agencies and appropriate representatives from the Worcester Public Schools to discuss youth exposure and addiction to tobacco, nicotine and vaping, among others.
#12v CC July 21, 2026
In Committee August 24, 2026 - Held

5. Order of Councilor Gary Rosen, Councilor Khrystian E. King, Councilor John P. Fresolo, Councilor Morris A. Bergman, Councilor Robert A. Bilotta, Councilor Tony Economou, Councilor Satya B. Mitra, Councilor Luis A. Ojeda, Councilor Jose A. Rivera, Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey and Mayor Joseph M. Petty - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold one (1) or more public hearings to discuss the state of youth mental health in the city, including whether more needs to be done to provide care, treatment and hope to struggling youth in the city who are experiencing mental, behavioral and addiction health issues, among others.
#17n CC April 28, 2026

6. Order of Councilor Gary Rosen - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services review the city's efforts to determine why a half a square mile census tract in the heart of downtown Worcester, bordered by Lincoln Square to the north, Shrewsbury Street to the east, Main South to the south and Crown Hill to the west, has the highest rate of stroke and dementia in Massachusetts for residents sixty-five (65) and older who are on Medicare.
#9j CC February 3, 2026

7. Order of Councilor Gary Rosen – Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services review and discuss the City of Boston’s ordinance to provide for safe disposal of sharps through the establishment of a product stewardship program (see attached).
#23h CC January 13, 2026

8. Order of Councilor Luis A. Ojeda - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold a meeting to consider devising a comprehensive plan to address the substance use crisis in the city.
#13e CC June 10, 2025

9. Order of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj - Request City Manager work with the appropriate representatives from Eversource to provide City Council with a report outlining the number of grade 1, 2, and 3 gas leaks that have occurred in the city over the past five (5) years, including how many have been repaired and how many have not. Further, request said report include a map detailing the locations of said gas leaks throughout the city, the amount of gas that has leaked out and the equivalent of leaked gas in dollars.
   #11f CC April 1, 2025
   In Committee July 22, 2025 - Held

10. Order of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj – Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services hold a meeting with leaders from the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance (CMHA), Catholic Charities, and other entities that provide non-Emergency Assistance (EA) shelter to homeless individuals to discuss their plans and preparations around persons potentially being kicked out of housing due to restrictions around the family shelter system.
   #21f CC November 26, 2024
   In Committee February 27, 2025 - Held
   In Committee June 3, 2025 - Held

11. Order of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services invite representatives from the Office of New Americans to discuss the work taking place to support refugees and new arrivals in the community.
   #10b CC July 16, 2024

12. Order of Councilor Etel Haxhiaj - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services invite representatives from the Central West Justice Center and Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance (CMHA) to discuss the status of evictions in the city. Said discussion should include information concerning legal representation and rental assistance resources available to residents facing evictions.
   #11c CC May 28, 2024
   In Committee February 27, 2025 - Held

In Committee June 3, 2025 - Held

13. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Public Health and Human Services - Request Standing Committee on Public Health and Human Services meet jointly with the Board of Health to receive a presentation by Dr. Brandon Marshall, at its next meeting, relative to overdose prevention centers/safe injection sites.
#11u CC May 7, 2024