

MAYOR'S OFFICE AND CITY COUNCIL

CIVICS ACADEMY PRESENTATION

MAYOR JOSEPH M. PETTY

ABOUT ME

- Lifelong Worcester resident
- Member of the Worcester City Council since 1998 and has been Mayor since 2012.
- Work full-time job as the Executive Secretary to the employee's retirement system of the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency.



- Father to Joseph, Nicole, and Andrew Petty; husband to wife, Gayle.
- Most proud of investing in Worcester Public Schools and being the leader of a welcoming city.

ABOUT DISTRICT 1 COUNCILOR JENNY PACILLO

- Councilor Pacillo is in her first two-year term as the District One Councilor.
- Prior to serving as an elected official, she served on the Citizens Advisory Council for two years.
- She and her partner Nate Fiske are the parents to three children, Clementine, Bixby, and Marigold.
- Councilor Pacillo currently chairs the Veterans' Memorials, Parks & Recreation Standing Committee, and sits as the vice-chairperson of the Economic Development Standing Committee.



ROLE OF THE MAYOR

- The City of Worcester is a Plan E form of government, meaning that we have a City Manager as our city's acting CEO and the Mayor as Chair of the City Council and School Committee.
- At-Large Councilors are responsible for overseeing the city, while District Councilors are responsible for the oversight of their district. The Mayor is also considered a Councilor At-Large.
- The Mayor is also often responsible for speaking on behalf of the city on civic matters or in emergency events.
- With institutional knowledge, I have been able to use my experience and familiarity with different entities to organize groups to solve problems.
- Manage taskforces on various issues

DISTRICT COUNCILOR'S ROLE

- As the councilor of District 1, it is Councilor Pacillo's duty to oversee activity within her district.
- District 1 generally includes the following neighborhoods: Salisbury Street, Westwood Hills, Assumption College, Grove Street, Indian Lake, Greendale, upper Burncoat, Clark Street, Lincoln Village, Great Brook Valley, Hammond Heights, Bancroft Tower, Richmond/Flagg Street, and many other neighborhoods.
- Councilor Pacillo is a part of several committees including Economic Development, Public Works, and Veterans' Memorials, Parks & Recreation.
- She also is a very active member in her community, often attend events both in and outside of her district.

DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS OF MAYOR'S OFFICE

- Open at 8:30AM
- Staff answer phone calls, attend meetings, provide constituent services
- I stop into office anytime between 4-5 and debrief daily with staff. We work on possible ideas to work on, scheduling for the following day, and signing any documents or paperwork we need signed.
- Every Tuesday we have City Council that starts at 6:30 and every other Thursday, we have School Committee that starts at 5:30.
- Addressing issues as needed, staying up-to-date with ongoing taskforces

TASKFORCES

- Mayor's Mental Health Taskforce
 - Seeks to address ongoing mental health needs in the city
- MBTA Taskforce
 - Following abrupt termination of express route, working to address working relationship with MassDOT and MBTA and to plan for future commuter rail needs
- Brownfields Taskforce
 - Offers information and resources for resources, grants, and supports available for Brownfields projects

QUESTIONS?

