

The Mayor's briefing of the Chicopee City Council will be held on March 7, 2023 at the City of Chicopee City Hall Auditorium located at 274 Front Street, 3rd Floor, Chicopee, Massachusetts at 6:30 p.m. and via Zoom. The items to be discussed include the Agenda items listed below and general City of Chicopee updates.

The City of Chicopee City Council meeting will be held on March 7, 2023 at the City of Chicopee City Hall Auditorium located at 274 Front Street, 3rd Floor, Chicopee, Massachusetts at 7:15 p.m. and via Zoom. The items to be discussed include the Agenda items listed below.

Public Input

- MO-1 Mayor's appropriation of One hundred thirty eight thousand one hundred thirty two and 86/100 dollars (\$138,132.86) to the following named account: Police Special Account for Purchase of Cruisers from available funds in the Stabilization for Capital Budgeting.
- MO-2 Mayor's appropriation of Thirty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$30,000.00) to the following named account: Police Expense Account for Travel from available funds in the Police Salary Account for Holiday.
- MO-3 Mayor's appropriation of One thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$1,000.00) to the following named account: City Council Expense account for Travel from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.
- MO-4 Mayor's appropriation of Fifty nine thousand five hundred ninety and 00/100 dollars (\$59,590.00) to the following named account: City Hall Maintenance Special Account for Purchase of Pickup w/plow from available funds in the Stabilization for Capital Budgeting Account.
- MO-5 Mayor's appropriation of Thirty five thousand seven hundred thirty and 00/100 dollars (\$35,730.00) to the following named account: City Hall Maintenance Special Account for Purchase of City Vehicles from available funds in the Stabilization for Capital Budgeting Account.
- MO-6 Mayor's appropriation of Fifty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$50,000.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Wastewater Expense Account for Special Services from available funds in the D.P.W. Wastewater Salary Account for WWTP Attendant.
- MO-7 Mayor's appropriation of Twenty four thousand two hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$24,200.00) to the following named account: D.P.W. Water Expense Account for Special Services from available funds in the D.P.W. Water Special Account for Pipeline/Repair Replacement.
- MO-8 Mayor's appropriation of Ten thousand nine hundred twenty nine and 65/100 dollars (\$10,929.65) to the following named Auditing Salary Accounts:

Senior Accountant	\$9,061.48
Sick Buy Back	1,404.00
Assistant Auditor Stipend	<u>464.17</u>
Total	\$10,929.65

from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.

- MO-9 Ordered that the City Council accept the attached list of donations in the amount of Sixty and 00/100 Dollars (\$60.00) to the Chicopee Public Library. Said donations are made in memory of Esther Kokoszka and they are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

MO-10 To the City Council:

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed Nancy Shepard-Murray, 260 Moore Street, Chicopee, MA 01013 as an associate member of the Commission on Disability to serve in such office for the term expiring on the 1st of March, 2026. To which appointment I ask the confirmation of your Honorable Council.

*New- Appointment

MO-11 Ordered that the City Council accept the donations in the amount of Five thousand five hundred seventeen and 05/100 dollars (\$5,517.05) to the Chicopee Senior Center. Said donations are for Senior Meals for the Month of January, 2023 and they are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

MO-12 Mayor's appropriation of Twenty-eight thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$28,000.00) to the following named account: Planning Expense Account for GIS Software from available funds in the Stabilization Fund.

MO-13 Whereas, The City Council of the City of Chicopee strongly supports increased economic development to provide additional jobs for residents of Chicopee, Holyoke, and Westfield and expanded commercial and industrial activity within those cities in order to promote and develop a healthy economy and a stronger tax base; and

Whereas, the General Court has enacted M.G.L. Ch. 23A Section 3A-3H, the Massachusetts Economic Development Incentive Program (EDIP), designed to stimulate job creation, attract new business, encourage growth of existing businesses, and to increase overall economic development readiness; and

Whereas, The City of Chicopee has entered into an Inter municipal Agreement with the Cities of Holyoke and Westfield and the three cities have been designated as the Holyoke Regional Economic Target Area (ETA), by the Economic Assistance Coordinating Council (EACC); and

Whereas, The City Council of the City of Chicopee desires job creation opportunities, improvements to distressed commercial properties, and increased economic opportunities within Chicopee; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Chicopee has supported the productive reuse of property at 301 Griffith Road; and

Whereas, UFP Site Built, LLC and Griffith Road Property Owner, LLC is investing \$1,400,000 in property improvements; and

Whereas, UFP Site Built, LLC and Griffith Road Property Owner, LLC has committed to create a minimum of 60 permanent full time jobs with preference in hiring residents of the ETA and the City of Chicopee; and

Now, Therefore, be it ordered, and the City Council approves the Certified Project application of UFP Site Built, LLC and Griffith Road Property Owner, LLC and forwards said application for certification to the Massachusetts EACC for its approval and endorsement;

Be it further ordered, the City Council of the City of Chicopee with approval of the Mayor hereby makes a binding commitment to enter into an Tax Increment Financing (TIF) agreement with UFP Site Built, LLC and Griffith Road Property Owner, LLC;

And be it further ordered, that pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 23A Section 3E, the TIF agreement with UFP Site Built, LLC and Griffith Road Property Owner, LLC shall comply with all laws and regulations regulating such agreements and shall include only exemptions contained in this Order. Said Agreement will provide an exemption on property taxes based on the growth portion in the assessed value of the project. The base valuation shall be determined by the City Assessors as of January 1 of the year after the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, Tax Increment Financing Agreement exemption to be applied to the Project Premises is as follows, and such below stated percentage shall be utilized in calculating the real property tax due with respect to the Premises for such respective fiscal year:

First Fiscal Year -	70% of the increased assessed value
Second Fiscal Year-	50% of the increase assessed value
Third Fiscal Year-	20% of the increase assessed value
Fourth Fiscal Year-	5% of the increase assessed value
Fifth Fiscal Year-	5% of the increase assessed value

- 14 An unfavorable Zoning Committee Report: Special Permit under Chapter 275-52 (B) 3 for the purpose of garage as principal structure located at 19 Dale Street. Applicant: Steve Gardner, 19 Dale Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
- 15 A favorable Zoning Committee Report: Special Permit under Chapter 275-58 (C) (5) for the purpose of converting a single family home in multifamily home, each unit will become a 3-bedroom, 1 bath apartment; 2-units total. The commercial space on the property will remain office space for a business located at 368 Britton Street. Applicant: Zachary Jacobson, 200 Maple Road, Longmeadow, MA 01106
- 16 A favorable Zoning Committee Report: Special Permit under Chapter 275-58 (E) (1) for the purpose of installation of a new pole sign. Waivers requested- (1) Setback from 25' to +/- 0.5' (2) total sign surface area from 80 SF to 98 SF located at 1801 Memorial Drive. Applicant: Sign Techniques, Inc., Tracy Janik, P O Box 237, Chicopee, MA 01021.
- 17 An unfavorable Finance Committee Report: Ordered that the City Council consider the School Committee October 19th request to purchase property located at 350 Memorial Drive for School Administration Offices and the answer to these questions be obtained:
 1. An assessment of the School Department Administrative space and needs,
 2. An appraisal of the property
 3. The total cost of retrofitting to space for use as School Administrative Offices
 4. The total annual maintenance cost including utilities, landscaping and cleaning
 5. A letter from the State allowing the use of Esser monies given the School Department of \$8.3 Million for the purchase of Administrative Offices is allowed under Esser Fund use requirements.
- 18 A favorable Finance Committee Report: Be it Ordered that the School Committee's request that the City of Chicopee purchase the real property located at 350 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, Massachusetts for school purposes be sent to the Finance Committee and Education Committee separately for discussion.
- 19 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for an Auto Body/Auto Repair license for Tony & Sons Auto Service & Sales, Leasing & Rental, Inc. at 170 South Street. Applicant: Dolcimar Ferreira Sousa, 51 Bliss Street, West Springfield, MA 01089

- 20 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for an Auto Detail license for Tony & Sons Auto Service & Sales, Leasing & Rental, Inc. at 170 South Street. Applicant: Dolcimar Ferreira Sousa, 51 Bliss Street, West Springfield, MA 01089
- 21 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for a Class II License for Montgomery Street Truck, Auto and Equipment Sales, LLC located at 330 Montgomery Street. Applicant: Joel Marchand, 330 Montgomery Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
- 22 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for an Auto Repair License for Montgomery Street Truck, Auto and Equipment Sales, LLC located at 330 Montgomery Street. Applicant: Joel Marchand, 330 Montgomery Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
- 23 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for an Auto Detailing License for Montgomery Street Truck, Auto and Equipment Sales, LLC located at 330 Montgomery Street. Applicant: Joel Marchand, 330 Montgomery Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
- 24 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for Hawkers and Peddlers license to sell Ice Cream outside of the properties of various school/park locations. Applicant: Iro Mitchener, 58 Grattan Street, Chicopee, MA 01020
- 25 A favorable License Committee Report: Application for an Auto Repair License for Kins Auto Repair II located at 1098 Chicopee Street. Applicant: Joaquin Rodriguez, 41 Woodside Terrace, Springfield, MA 01108.
- 26 A favorable License Committee Report: Be it Ordered that United Sons Auto Sales, LLC, 400 D East Main Street, licenses be called in before the License Committee for License review and imposition of restrictions.
- 27 A favorable License Committee Report: Be it Ordered that Wicked Cycles, Inc., 576 East Street, be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s) currently held by Wicked Cycles, Inc., including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Wicked Cycles, Inc. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Wicked Cycles, Inc.
1. Review of plot plan including parking spaces since two licensees are operating at the same location.
- 28 A favorable License Committee Report: Be it Ordered that Royal Coach Sales, LLC, 576 East Street be called before the City of Chicopee License Committee and City Council to discuss the license (s) currently held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC., including compliance with restrictions imposed upon any licenses held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC. The Council may modify, suspend, fine, or revoke any license held by Royal Coach Sales, LLC.
1. Review of plot plan including parking spaces since two licensees are operating at the same location.
- 29 A Public Works Committee Report: Be it Ordered that the Public Works Committee meet to review the proposed road line striping change for East Main Street.
- 30 Be it Ordered that the DPW Superintendent present to the Public Safety subcommittee it's plan for pedestrian safety at the March 15th subcommittee meeting.

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31 Be it Ordered that the DPW review conditions of road on Anson Street and report to the Public Works Committee for a public hearing.

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32 Be it Ordered that the issue of excessive resident lighting be referred to the Utilities Committee.

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33 An application for a NEW Special Permit under section 275-58 (C) (5) for the purpose of Four (4) residential units. Location of property: 1682 Memorial Drive. Applicant/Property Owner: 896-900 Prospect Street, Inc., 32 Haig Avenue, South Hadley, MA 01075

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith W. Rattell', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Keith W. Rattell, City Clerk