

CITY OF CHICOPEE - CONSERVATION COMMISSION

274 Front Street, Chicopee, MA 01013
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PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

June 16, 2021

Pursuant to Mass. General Law Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Chicopee Wetland Ordinance Ch. 272, the Chicopee Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6:15 PM** to discuss the following:

Chairman please read meeting Opening Statement on page 2 of this agenda.

Item 1: (Continued from April 7, 21, May 5, 19 and June 2, 2021) NOI for Chicopee Reservoir Annual Drawdown and Vegetation Management Project. Work will include removal of vegetation within 20' of the reservoir dam and for a five year authorization of the annual drawdown of the reservoir for maintenance purposes. Work will occur within Inland Bank, Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Land Under Waterways and Waterbodies, Riverfront Area and Buffer Zone. Location: Chicopee Memorial State Park – 570 Burnett Rd., Chicopee, MA 01020. Applicant: Sean Gaffney, Massachusetts DCR, 1048 North Rd., Westfield, MA 01085 (*Applicant has requested a continuation to July 7, 2021*)

Item 2: (Cont. from June 2, 2021) NOI for reconstruction of severely deteriorated retaining wall and associated site work including erosion control. Work will occur within Riverfront Area of the Chicopee River. Location: 225-227 East Main St, Chicopee, MA 01020. Applicant: Juan Almestica, 227 East Main St., Chicopee, MA 01020.

Item 3: Minutes from June 2, 2021

Item 4: Sign Bills

Item 5: Upcoming Projects/Discussion

- **Enforcement Order** – 535 East Main Street – The recipient of the Enforcement Order or a representative to present plan illustrating the boundaries of protected resource areas as they existed prior to the disturbance and provide documentation on how those boundaries were established.

The Recipient of this Enforcement Order shall cause the Consultant to collect samples of fill materials imported to the property for chemical analysis per the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) 310 CMR 40.00 so as to confirm the presence or lack thereof of any hazardous materials regulated by the MCP. Report to be submitted to the Chicopee Conservation Commission with the above described plan set, and any required reporting to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) completed.

Item 6: Adjournment – Next scheduled meeting is July 7, 2021



Conservation Commission Public Meeting Opening Statement

In order to ensure and satisfy CDC social distancing guidelines during the Covid-19 Pandemic and pursuant to Governor Baker's March 23, 2020 Order as amended, the City of Chicopee is providing public notice that it will conduct a public hearing utilizing remote collaboration technology in accordance with Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. C. 30A, 18.

Copies of application materials may be requested by phone (413-594-1517) or by emailing Jim Dawson at jdawson@chicopeema.gov.

To view the recorded public hearings please tune to Spectrum Community Access Channel 191 or the ChicopeeTV website at [Facebook.com/ChicopeeTV](https://www.facebook.com/ChicopeeTV) and/or <https://vimeo.com/chicopeetv>

Public comments were received during two timeframes. The first public comment period took place prior to the opening of public hearings on June 2, 2021. The second public comment period took place following the June 2, 2021 hearings and remained open until June 16, 2021 for newly opened agenda items.

To provide public comments in writing please mail to the Chicopee Conservation Commission, 4th Floor, City Hall Annex, 274 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013. By email to Jim Dawson at jdawson@chicopeema.gov. or by calling 413-594-1517. All public comments received will be provided to all Commission Members and discussed at either of the above listed meeting dates. All commenting individuals shall state their name, address and company/organizational affiliation in addition to the item(s) that the comments pertain.