

COMMON COUNCIL  
of the  
CITY OF SYRACUSE

(06/22)

REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 22, 2020  
1:00 P.M.

1. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – (Suspended during Webex meetings)*
2. *Invocation - (A Moment of Silent Reflection was led by the Hon. Helen Hudson, President of the Syracuse Common Council)*
3. *Roll Call - (All Present – 9)*
4. *Minutes – June 8, 2020 – (Adopted 9-0)*
5. *Public Meeting – “Relative to Agenda Item #21, “Authorize – The DPW 2020/2021 Sweeping Program as detailed in Exhibit "A". Cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon as detailed in Exhibit “B”. The Program is charged initially to account #09.00526. Total cost not to exceed \$1,091,296. (Public Hearing was held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 1:00 P.M.)” (NO APPREANCES)*
6. *Petitions – (none)*
7. *Committee Reports – (none)*
8. *Communications – (From the Hon. Pamela J. Hunter, NYS Assemblywoman, a letter acknowledging the receipt of Council Resolution 7-R (05/11/2020) calling for an expansion of the Bottle Bill)*

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**NEW BUSINESS**  
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BY PRESIDENT HUDSON:

- WD** 9. *Resolution - Approving the Appointment of Various Persons as Commissioners of Deeds for 2020.* **WD**

BY COUNCILOR BEY:

- H** 10. *Special Permit – To approve modification for a restaurant located at 700 North Salina Street. Four (4) people spoke in favor of the proposal. No one spoke in opposition to the proposal. The Planning Commission granted two (2) waivers in regard to signage and live and/or electronically amplified entertainment location regulations. Edward Withers/applicant. Louis Santaro/owner.* **H**

BY COUNCILOR BEY; PRESIDENT HUDSON AND ALL COUNCILORS:

- 9-0** 11. Resolution - Urging the President of the United States, the Senate, the Congress, the Supreme Court Justices and the Department of Justice (Civil Rights Division) to enforce various sections of the United States Constitution and direct all States to eliminate their unconstitutional Use of Force Polices through federal legislation. **9-R**
- 9-0** 12. Resolution – Memorializing the New York State Governor, Senate and the Assembly to support the passage of a Police Reform Legislative Package outlined in the resolution. **10-R**

BY COUNCILOR RUDD:

- 9-0** 13. Authorize – To Implement a new Infrastructure Improvement Fee to be included on all water customer bills effective July, 1, 2020, to be solely utilized for the purchase of materials to improve and or replace the aging infrastructure, The base monthly fee is estimated at \$0.50 and would be escalated according to meter size and by a factor of 1.5 for outside City retail customers, as detailed in the Ordinance. **270**
- 9-0** 14. Amend - Ord. #255 (06/03/2019), “Water Rates Schedule established by “Rules, Regulation and Rates,” Department of Water and the Bureau of Water, Department of Finance, to increase water rates by 4%, within the declining blocks, as detailed in Attachment “A”. Rates shall take effect on July 1, 2019.” Amend to restructure the water rates effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **271**
- 9-0** 15. Amend – Ord #541 (11/21/1994), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Annual Water Fire Service rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **272**
- 9-0** 16. Amend – Ord #552 (12/21/1992), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Domestic and Fire Service Water Application rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **273**
- 9-0** 17. Amend – Ord #455 (10/13/1992), “Rules, Regulations & Rates, Division of Water, Department of Engineering and Bureau of Water, Department of Finance.” Amend to increase Water Meter Installation rates, as detailed in the attached Schedule “A”, to be effective July 1, 2020, as detailed in Attachment “A”. **274**
- H** 18. Local Law - Amend - “Local Law #4 (1976) – Of the City of Syracuse, relative to the travel of City employees on City business or educational purposes.” Amend to create a comprehensive travel policy for the City of Syracuse. **H**
- 9-0** 19. Authorize - The establishment of a standard work day and reporting requirements for Mayor, City Auditor and all non-union positions, as required by Regulation 315.4 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations, as detailed in Exhibit A. **275**

20. Resolution - For the establishment of a standard work day and reporting requirements for Common Councilors, City Clerk, and the Board of Assessment Review, as required by Regulation 315.4 of the NY Codes Rules and Regulations. **11-R**

BY COUNCILOR GREENE:

21. Authorize – The DPW 2020/2021 Sweeping Program as detailed in Exhibit "A". Cost thereof to be charged to the premises fronting thereon as detailed in Exhibit "B". The Program is charged initially to account #09.00526. Total cost not to exceed \$1,091,296. (Public Hearing was held on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 1:00 P.M.) **276**
22. Agreement - With Syracuse Stage, for extended parking hours at the City-owned Madison Irving Garage during the stage seasonal shows, for the period of one year from July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Syracuse Stage will pay the City \$20,000 to cover the cost of extended hours. **277**
23. Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, Chapter 5 entitled "Amusement Businesses and Public Assemblages for Entertainment Or Culture", amend to rescind Article 4 entitled, "Bowling Alleys". **GEN. #19**
24. Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, Chapter 5, Article 1 entitled, "General Licensing Provisions", amend Section 5-1 entitled, "Licenses required for amusement businesses and other activities" and Section 5-6 entitled, "Licensing Fees" to strike out bowling alley, dance school, ice show, musical show, and theater or stage productions from the required license list and fee schedule. **GEN. #20**
25. Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, Chapter 14, entitled "Health and Sanitation", to rescind Article 3 entitled, "Milk and Milk Products". **GEN. #21**
26. Confirm – The appointment of Corey Dunham to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2021. **278**
27. Confirm – The appointment of Stephanie Pasquale to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2022. **279**
28. Purchase w/c/b - From Grainger and Dival, safety shoes for the Departments of Public Works, Water, Fire, Police, Engineering, Parks, Sewers, Sweeping and Flushing and Codes, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$88,125 to be charged to the appropriate account outlined in Schedule "A". **280**
29. Purchase w/c/b - From JGB and/or OMNI, hydraulic repair service and parts for various trucks, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of D.P.W. Total cost not to exceed \$30,000 to be charged to Accounts #540210.01.51320 or 540220.01.51320. **281**

- 9-0 30. Purchase w/c/b - From Monroe Tractor, repair service and parts for a Vogle Paving Machine, a Wirtgen Milling Machine and Heavy Equipment, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Public Works. Total cost not to exceed \$200,000 to be charged to Accounts #540210.01.51320 or #540220.01.51320. **282**
- 9-0 31. Purchase w/c/b - From Nuway, repair service and parts for hydraulic cylinders and PTO pumps, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of Department of Public Works. Total cost not to exceed \$40,000 to be charged to Account #540210.01.51320 or 540220.01.51320. **283**
- 9-0 32. Purchase w/c/b - From Parkeon, I.P.S., Civic Smart (which bought Duncan) and Republic, multi space pay stations parts, repairs and communications, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Public Works. Total cost not to exceed \$500,000 charged to Account #540511.01.81800, #541500.01.81800, and #540552.01.81800. **284**
- 9-0 33. Purchase w/c/b - From PBS (Pat's Brake Supply), repair service and parts for relining of brake shoes for heavy vehicles, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Public Works. Total cost not to exceed \$65,000 to be charged to Accounts #540210.01.51320 or 540220.01.51320. **285**
- 9-0 34. Amend – Ord. #264 (06/08/2020), “Agreement - With N.Y.S. DOT for the scoping and preliminary design phase and the Detailed Design Phase of the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering, total cost not to exceed \$244,000. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 100% reimbursement from Federal (80%) and State (20%) funds through TIP. Total project cost not to exceed \$1,942,000, to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000”. Amend to correct a typographical error in the ordinance amount. The amount should be \$244,000 not \$144,000. **286**
- 9-0 35. Amend – Ord. #265 (06/08/2020), “Authorize - The scoping and preliminary design phase and the Detailed Design Phase of the Solar Street and Hiawatha Boulevard Improvement Project, PIN 3756.26, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total cost not to exceed \$244,000. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 100% reimbursement from Federal (80%) and State (20%) funds through TIP. Total project cost not to exceed \$1,942,000. Total cost not to exceed \$244,000, to be charged to Capital Account #599807.07.701072000.” Amend to correct a typographical error in the ordinance amount. The amount should be \$244,000 not \$144,000. **287**
- 9-0 36. Adopt - The City of Syracuse’s “The American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan.” A public entity that employs 50 or more persons is required (28 CFR 35.105) to prepare an ADA Transition Plan identifying noncompliance in pedestrian accessible routes and facilities in the municipal Sponsor’s public right-of-way, with a plan and schedule for corrective action, associated with Ord #129-2020. **288**

37. Amend Ord #267 (04/27/2015), “Abandon – Approximately 1.299 acres of the 500 Block of Tracy Street to facilitate redevelopment on two of the adjacent properties to the north, previously known as Marcellus Casket. No one spoke either in favor of or in opposition at the Planning Commission Hearing. Public Hearing held Monday, April 27, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.” Amend the permanent utility easement description to abandon a portion of the permanent utility easement. **289**  
**9-0**
38. Amend - Ord. #873 (11/06/2017), “Bond Ordinance - Authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to defray the cost of the Scoping, Preliminary Design and Detail Design Phases for the N, S, E, W Corridors Interconnect Project, PIN 3754.79. Total amount not to exceed \$1,312,000.” Amend to add the Construction and Construction Inspection Phase and increase the amount by \$6,769,000. Total amount not to exceed \$8,081,000. **290**  
**9-0**
39. Amend - Ord. #874 (11/06/2017), “Agreement - With NYS DOT for the Scoping, Preliminary Design and Detail Design Phases for the N, S, E, W Corridors Interconnect Project, as detailed in Appendix “A”, PIN 3754.79. Total cost not to exceed \$1,312,000. Total project cost not to exceed \$8,081,000. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 80% Federal reimbursement and 12% Marchiselli reimbursement through NYS TIP.” Amend to add the Construction and Construction Inspection Phase and increase the cost by \$6,769,000 charged to Account #599807.07.701037000. **291**  
**9-0**
40. Amend - Ord. #875 (11/06/2017), “Amend - Ord. #453 (08/21/11), “Authorize - The Scoping, Preliminary Design and Detail Design Phases for the N, S, E, W Corridors Interconnect Project, as detailed in Appendix “A”, PIN 3754.79. Total cost not to exceed \$1,312,000. Total project cost not to exceed \$8,081,000, on behalf of the Department of Public Works. The City will incur all initial costs with subsequent 80% Federal reimbursement and 12% Marchiselli reimbursement through NYS TIP.” Amend to add the Construction and Construction Inspection Phase and increase the cost by \$6,769,000 charged to Account #599807.07.701037000. **292**  
**9-0**
41. Appropriate Funds - From the 2019-2020 Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in the amount not to exceed \$245,000, on behalf of the Department of Engineering, for the Rehabilitation/Reconstruction of the City owned Retaining Walls Project. Total amount not to exceed \$345,000. **293**  
**9-0**
42. Authorize – The City Wide Retaining Walls Project, for repairs & reconstruction as needed on City owned retaining walls to address structural concerns and deficiencies, on behalf of the Department of Engineering. Total cost not to exceed \$345,000. **294**  
**9-0**
43. Accept - Lining of one sewer manhole and the replacement of the frames & covers located at the intersection of East Water Street and South Townsend Street by Smith Building, LLC, the owner of the Smith Mixed Use Building and Site Redevelopment Project (500 Erie Boulevard East). This is required as a result of Onondaga County’s 1:1 off set requirement (LL No. 1, 2011). **295**  
**9-0**

- 9-0** 44. *Permission – (revocable) To Smith Building, LLC, owner of the Smith Mixed Use Building and Site Redevelopment Project (500 Erie Boulevard East) to construct, own, operate and maintain four parking spaces (including but not limited to granite curbing, asphalt pavement, concrete sidewalk and signs) along the East Water Street (500 Block) Right of Way.* **296**

BY COUNCILOR PANIAGUA:

- 9-0** 45. *Authorize - Memorandum of Understanding between the Syracuse City School District and the Common Council relative to the operation of the City’s Youth Advisory Council and the appropriation of funds as detailed in the ordinance. From the Common Council Professional Services Account #10100.01.541500. Total amount not to exceed \$1,500.* **297**

BY COUNCILOR CARNI:

- H** 46. *Agreement - With Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County, (CCE) on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, to provide Urban Agriculture Programs at Seals Community Center and Elmwood Park, and Rand Tract, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$5,000 from Account #01.71100.540551. The Mayor has waived the RFP Process.* **H**
- 9-0** 47. *Agreement – With Onondaga Earth Corps (OEC) on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the “Tree and Park Stewardship” program to hire, train, engage and supervise youth and young adults in the area of tree care and landscape management, for a period of July 1, 2020 June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$30,000 to be charged to Account #01.71100.540551. The Mayor has waived the RFP Process.* **298**
- 9-0** 48. *Agreement – With Onondaga Earth Corps (OEC), on behalf of the Department of Parks Recreation and Youth Programs for professional services, including invasive species removal, tree planting and follow-up maintenance, along the newly constructed Phase 2 of the Creekwalk extension for a one year period July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021 with three one (1) year renewal options and one eight (8) month extension with the approval of the Mayor and the Common Council. Total cost not to exceed \$675,000 to be charged to the Creekwalk Riparian Grant Account #599802.02.70205.224150120, previously authorized in Ordinance #415-2019. The Mayor waived the RFP process.* **299**
- 9-0** 49. *Appropriate Funds - From Account #541500.01.71400 in the amount of \$9,000 to the Syracuse Parks Conservancy for the fiscal year 2019-2020.* **300**
- 9-0** 50. *Appropriate Funds - From Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in the amount of \$150,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2019/2020 Capital Improvement Program, Park and Playgrounds Improvements at Norwood Park.* **301**

51. *Appropriate Funds - From Cash Capital Account #599007.01.99999 in the amount of \$150,000, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Youth Programs, for the 2019/2020 Capital Improvement Program, Park and Playgrounds Improvements at Baker Playlot, Spirit of Jubilee Park or Lincoln Park.* **302**  
**9-0**
52. *License Agreement - With Broadcast Music, Inc., (BMI) for performances of copyrighted music at various facilities, for the period of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs. Total cost not to exceed \$2,200 to be charged to Account #540552.01.71400.* **303**  
**9-0**

BY COUNCILOR MAJOK:

53. *Agreement – With C&S Companies, and Upstate Fire Protection Engineering, PLLC (the “Engineers”) for Building and Life Safety Systems Plan Review Professional Services, for the Fire Department to facilitate the timely and proper review of required plans submitted by applicants for commercial building permits in the City, services detailed in the ordinance, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$50,000, to be charged to Account #541500.01.34101. The Mayor waived the RFP process.* **304**  
**9-0**
54. *Agreement – With Sean Morrison, a qualified professional to provide plan review services support, on behalf of the Fire Department, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$20,000, to be charged to Account #541500.01.34101. The Mayor waived the RFP process.* **305**  
**9-0**
55. *Agreement - With Joseph Markham, M.D. for services as Medical Services Director for emergency services, for the Department of Fire, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$7,500, charged to Account #541500.01.34100.* **306**  
**9-0**
56. *Agreement - With Father Dan O’Hara for services as Chaplain for the Department of Fire, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. Total cost not to exceed \$6,000 to be charged to Account #541500.01.34100.* **307**  
**9-0**
57. *Agreement - With Timothy J. Downes for services related to the mandatory EMS Training programs and web-conference presentations for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$31,200 to be charged to Account #541500.01.34100.* **308**  
**9-0**
58. *Application & Agreement - To and with U.S. Department of Justice for a Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) 2020 Program, in an amount not to exceed \$275,000, for the Police Department for overtime, respirator fit test systems, adapter and filters, during the Coronavirus pandemic. No local match required.* **309**  
**9-0**
59. *Purchase w/c/b - From Andrew Venditti dba Syracuse Fitness, maintenance and repair service for equipment for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$8,000 to be charged to Account #540552.01.34100.* **310**  
**9-0**

- 9-0** 60. *Purchase w/c/b - From Lewis Uniform Company, LLC and United Uniform Company, Inc., uniforms and equipment for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$200,000 to be charged to Account #540820.01.34100. 311*
- 9-0** 61. *Purchase w/c/b - From PBS Brake and Supply Corporation, brake parts and repair services for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$15,000 to be charged to Account #540210.01.34100. 312*
- 9-0** 62. *Purchase w/c/b – From Superior Lubricants Company Inc., bulk motor oil, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$15,000 to be charged to Account #540120.01.34100. 313*
- 9-0** 63. *Purchase w/c/b – Radio parts and repair service from United Radio, for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Department of Fire. Total cost not to exceed \$50,000 to be charged to Accounts #540542.01.34100, #540720.01.34100, and #540511.01.34100. 314*
- 9-0** 64. *Purchase w/c/b - From Valutec Card Solutions, LLC, a software program to be used to purchase uniforms for the period of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021, on behalf of the Fire & Police Departments. Total cost not to exceed \$4,200 to be charged to Fire Account #540830.01.34100 (\$2,200) and Police Account #540830.01.31230 (\$2,000). 315*

BY COUNCILOR ALLEN:

- H** 65. *Approve - A SEQRA Findings Statement prepared pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations promulgated thereunder at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (collectively referred to as “SEQR”) relative to the Common Council’s consideration of a new Lead Abatement and Control General Ordinance. H*
- H** 66. *Amend – The Revised General Ordinances of the City of Syracuse, to add Chapter 54, entitled “Lead Abatement and Control”, amend to allow Code Enforcement to test and properly cite appropriate violations of the presence of lead in dwelling units. H*
- 9-0** 67. *Agreement – With City Link Architecture for Architectural Services for the blighted properties, for the period of two (2) years with one two (2) year renewal option with the approval of the Mayor and the Common Council. Total cost not to exceed \$15,900 to be charged to the 2019/2020 Vacant Property Zombie Grant Account #599802.02.64205.255830120. 316*



**9-0** 68. Amend – Ord #27 (01/13/2020), “Agreement – With the Center for Court Innovation (CCI) for a Community Ambassador Program, as part of the recently awarded “Cities RISE II” grant, in an amount not to exceed \$535,679, to pilot and demonstrate the effectiveness of innovative code enforcement strategies to improve the quality and stability of housing for Syracuse families, for the period of 24 months, administered by the Enterprise Community Partners and the Ash Center at Harvard University.” Amend to update the budget details according to the budget provided by CCI, as outlined in the ordinance. All other terms of the agreement remains the same. **317**

**9-0** 69. Agreement – With Syracuse University, for the UNSAAC 2020-2021 Allocation, on behalf of the Department of Neighborhood & Business Development, for the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$375,000. The Syracuse University Service Agreement will fund: Brady Faith Center, Cooperative Federal Credit Union, Dunbar Association, Outer Comstock Neighborhood Association (homebuyers and youth services), Southside TNT, University Neighborhood Preservation Association, and Westcott Community Center. **318**

Syracuse Common Council  
Adjourned at 1:47 P.M.