

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

The Standing Committee on Finance will meet on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chamber to consider the following:

1. APPOINTMENT: David Offutt of 39 Torrey St., Brockton to the Cemeteries Board of Trustees for a five year term ending June 2019.
Invited: David Offutt
2. APPOINTMENT: Rob May of 220 School St., Apt. 2 Somerville to the position of Director of Planning and Economic Development for the City of Brockton for a five year term ending June 2019.
Invited: Rob May
3. REAPPOINTMENT: John R. Staco, of 33 Wellington Street, Brockton, as a Constable in the City of Brockton for a term of three years
Invited: John R. Staco
4. ORDER:
Appropriation: \$89,969.70
From: US Department of Justice/Bureau of Justice Assistance FY13 Grant
To: Brockton Police-FY13 Justice Assistance Grant Fund.
(These grant funds will be used to continue the community's proactive approach in assisting victims of domestic and community violence by hiring a part time social worker to housed at the Brockton Police Department.
Invited: Honorable Mayor Bill Carpenter
John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Robert Hayden, Interim Police Chief &/or his designee
5. ORDER:
Appropriation: \$130,000
From: Stabilization Fund
To: MSBA Accelerated Repair Program (ARP) for Ashfield Middle School, Barrett Russell School, Brookfield School and the Gilmore School Early Childhood Center. (In order to provide funding to collaborate with the MSBA in conducting a Feasibility Study for potential roof, boiler, window and door replacements at the named schools. **However, for the record the Stabilization Fund balance prior to a favorable vote is only \$2.4 million. Additional future funding from City sources will impose a significant financing challenge even with state assistance at 80%. The certification letter is not applicable to these future costs, which will likely be from borrowing, with city council, approval to be sought at a later date.**)
Invited: Honorable Mayor Bill Carpenter
John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Kathleen Smith JD., Superintendent &/or her designee

6. ORDER: That the City Council authorize the approval of the Net Metering Power Purchase Agreement between NuGen Capital Management, LLC and the City of Brockton. This agreement is for the purchase of solar power from a solar plant, which will save the City in electricity costs.
Invited: John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Philip C. Nessralla, City Solicitor
David H. Milner, Chief Executive Officer NuGen Capital Management
7. ORDER: That the City Council authorizes the Mayor to enter into the Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of Abington and the City of Brockton for Transport and Treatment of Wastewater from Abington and Transmission. This Agreement is intended to supersede and replace the current agreement between the parties.
Invited: Honorable Mayor Bill Carpenter
John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Philip C. Nessralla, City Solicitor
Larry Rowley, Acting Commissioner of DPW
John F. Stone, Abington Superintendent of Utilities
8. ORDER: The City Council of the City of Brockton petitions the Great and General Court under the provisions of Section 8 of Article 89 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for an Act as follows: **An Act Providing for Rent Regulations and the Control of Evictions in Manufactured Housing and Mobile Home Communities in the City of Brockton**
Invited: Phillip Nessralla, Attorney City Solicitor &/or his designee
9. RESOLVE: That the Police Chief, Robert Hayden, be invited to appear before the Finance Commission to discuss any and all limitations placed on his ability to work more than 960-hours per year, pursuant to G.L. c. 32 Sec. 91(b)&(c)
Invited: Robert Hayden, Interim Chief of Police
Martin Brophy, Treasurer/Tax Collector
Maureen Cruise, Personnel Director
Philip C. Nessralla, City Solicitor
10. RESOLVE: That the City Council hereby requests that a representative and/or representatives of Aquaria appear before the Finance Committee to address questions pertaining to the Desalinization water contract.
Invited: Honorable Mayor Bill Carpenter
John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Thoreson, Commissioner of DPW
Philip C. Nessralla, City Solicitor
Brian Creedon, Water System Manager, DPW
Moises Pariente, Aquaria Water
Rebecca McEnroe, P.E., Project Manager, Aquaria Water
11. RESOLVE: To invite the School Superintendent to appear before the Council to discuss the state of the schools in the City of Brockton.
Invited: Kathleen Smith JD., Superintendent

12. RESOLVE: That the City's CFO confer with the Assessor's Department and get full accounting by year, of any-and-all funds from "Reserve for Abatements and Assessment accounts" that may be made available.
Invited: John A. Condon, Chief Financial Officer
Paul J. Sullivan, Chairman Assessors

13. Resolved: That the Mayor, Superintendent of Utilities and members of the Water Commission be invited to appear before a committee of this council to discuss the rates charged for water in the City.
Invited: Honorable Mayor Bill Carpenter
Larry Rowley, Acting Commissioner of DPW
Ozzie Jordan, Chairman Brockton Water Commission

14. Resolve: That representatives of the Department of Public Works be invited to appear before a committee of this Council to discuss the possibility of implementation of uniform trash barrels.
Invited: Craig Young – Superintendent of Operations
Patrick Sullivan – Recycling Coordinator