



**CITY OF
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Agenda for City
Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 10,
2015
06:30 P.M.

- 1) Call to Order by the Mayor
- 2) 15-149. Swearing in of new City Council Member Jean Olson
- 3) 15-150. Review and Approve Agenda
- 4) 15-151. General Business and Appearances
- 5) 15-152. Consideration of the Consent Agenda:
 - a) Consideration of the Minutes from the May 27, 2015 City Council Meeting.
 - b) Approve request from Dave Nelson and the McGillicuddy staff for the closure of Langdon Street on July 3rd, from 2:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M. (on July 4th) as part of Montpelier's Independence Day Celebration. They will be serving food and drinks outside during the afternoon from 3:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M.; they will also be hosting live music publicly on Langdon Street from 6:00 P.M. to 12:30 A.M. An additional hour past 1:00 A.M. is needed for orderly clean-up and crowd dispersal. Neighbors were notified on June 4th. Mr. Nelson is also requesting a waiver of the City's Noise Ordinance for this event.
 - c) Consideration of approving a Resolution to Commit Funds as of June 30, 2015.
 - d) Payroll and Bills

6) 15-153. Introduction of the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority's new Executive Director

- a) City Councilor Tom Golonka would like to formally introduce Francis (Paco) Aumand to the Montpelier City Council as the Central Vermont Public Safety Authority's first Executive Director.
- b) The Public Service Authority looks forward to his assistance as they continue their work on formulating a plan to present to the Council during the upcoming budget cycle.
- c) Recommendation: Meet Mr. Aumand; authorize the City Manager and staff to work with him as the City's representative and to assist in the collection of needed information as the CVPSA embarks on this important endeavor.

7) 15-154. Presentation by students from a Montpelier High School Social Studies Class who have been working on "Project Citizen"

- a) "Project Citizen" is a project where students are attempting to influence public policy.
- b) A request was received from Asa Richardson-Skinder, asking for an opportunity at this meeting for the students to speak with Council and share their proposed solutions to some of the local issues/concerns they have been researching.
- c) Recommendation: Receive presentation; discussion; possible direction to the students/City staff.

8) 15-155. Consideration of a requested parking rate increase for short-term parking on Stone Cutters Way

- a) In January of 2014, the City authorized several parking rate increases, for both parking permits and meter rates.
- b) Due to issues with the outdated and dysfunctional vending machines (which were replaced this year) on Stone Cutters Way, the existing short-term parking rate of \$.25 per hour was never adjusted.

- c) Because this amount is out of step with the updated rate structure, the Police Chief is requesting it be increased to \$.50 per hour.
- d) Recommendation: Discussion; approve the parking rate increase for Stone Cutters Way.

9) 15-156. Discussion of the Montpelier Transportation Advisory Committee (MTAC)

- a) At the May 13, 2015 City Council Meeting, the Council had a discussion of creating a Montpelier Transportation Advisory Committee.
- b) Staff has developed the attached guidance document as a result of this discussion. If the Council moves forward to adopt this guidance, the Pedestrian and Bicycle Committees have submitted their nominations for liaisons to this Committee.
- c) The Pedestrian Committee nominates Jon Snell, Harris Webster, and Mark Provost. The Bicycle Committee nominates Anthony Menona, Jenn Gordon, and Dan Homeier.
- d) Recommendation: Discuss, review, and approve the Montpelier Transportation Advisory Committee structure as outlined. Discuss and approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian liaisons to the MTAC.

10) 15-157. First Public Hearing/Reading of a proposed amendment to Chapter 11 of the City's Code of Ordinances,

- a) At their May 13th meeting, Councilor Guerlain moved that the City take steps necessary to designate parks as smoke free zones as was recommended; the motion was seconded and carried.
- b) City Attorney Paul Giuliani drafted the following wording:
CHAPTER 11 POLICE REGULATIONS AND OFFENSES
ARTICLE XI. SMOKING WITHIN CITY
PARKS Sec. 11-1100. SMOKING PROHIBITED. No person shall hold or possess any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe or device containing tobacco or a tobacco product or any other substance capable of being inhaled within or upon any park, field or recreational area owned by the City

which is conspicuously posted with signage prohibiting smoking.

- c) Recommendation: Conduct the First Public Hearing/Reading; incorporate further changes, if any; set the Second Public Hearing/Reading for June 24, 2015.

11) 15-158. Consideration of a Proposed Process for a Downtown Smoking Ban

- a) At their May 13th meeting, Council also discussed making downtown smoke-free; staff was asked to draft a proposed process for consideration.
- b) Recommendation: Discuss the attached memo drafted by the City Manager; possible direction to staff.

12) 15-159. Other Business

13) 15-160. Council Reports

14) 15-161. Mayor's Report

15) 15-162. City Clerk's Report

16) 15-163. City Manager's Report

- a) Discuss and set the summer schedule for Council Meetings during July and August.
- b) Fire Union Contract
 - i) It is anticipated that the entire substance of this update/discussion will be conducted in Executive Session in accordance with Title I, VSA§313, Executive Sessions, (a) (1) "Contracts, labor relations agreements with employees, arbitration, mediation, grievances, civil actions, or prosecutions by the state, where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the state, municipality or other public body, or person involved at a substantial disadvantage."

17) Adjournment

