

In City Council October 14, 2025

Notice is hereby given that the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council will be held on Tuesday evening October 14, 2025 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 45 School St., Brockton, MA. The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM with all seven members present. Councilors Derenoncourt, Rodrigues, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

Acting President Griffin explained the technical difficult with BCA.

1. Acceptance of the Minutes of the September 8, 2025 City Council Meeting.

Accepted and placed on file.

2. Acceptance of the Minutes of the September 22, 2025 City Council Meeting.

Accepted and placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS:

Councilor Lally motioned to suspend the rules and act on this item this evening and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt, Rodrigues, Tavares, and Thompson absent.

3. Promotion of Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro to the rank of Fire Lieutenant in the Brockton Fire Department.

Fire Chief Nardelli stated that Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro has been on the fire department for seven years, he's a Marine veteran, and a Brocktonian.

Councilor Rodrigues stepped in.

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; eight members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, Tavares, and Thompson absent. Councilor Lally motioned to file for reconsideration with the wish it does not prevail and was properly seconded. Reconsideration failed by a hand vote.

4. Reappointment of James Plouffe of 3 Carriage House Drive, Lakeville, Massachusetts 02347 to the position of Building Superintendent of the Public Property Department for the City of Brockton for a three-year term ending November 2028.

Referred to Finance

5. Appointment of Juan Pablo Gonzalez of 770 East Ashland Street, Apartment 1305, Brockton, MA 02302, to the role of Auditor for the City of Brockton for a three-year term.

Referred to Finance

6. Reappointment of Oluwatoyin Adewumi of 123 Country Club Ln., Brockton, MA 02301 to the Brockton Commission on Women's Issues for a three-year term, ending in September 2028.

Referred to Finance

HEARINGS:

Councilor Tavares stepped in.

7. Petition of National Grid to install 1 JO pole on Curtis Street beginning at a point approximately 107' feet East of the centerline of the intersection of Ash Street and Curtis

Street. National Grid to install 1 new pole 107' from the intersection of Ash Street & Curtis Street. House on 16 Curtis Street installed new solar's & will need a heavier grade service wire. Existing pole too far from existing house. Will need a new pole to accommodate the new wire.

City Clerk Mr. Cruise stated this needs to be redesigned of the location of the pole that's why there's a postponement.

Councilor Teixeira motioned to postpone to and was properly seconded. The motion carried by a hand vote.

8. Petition of Eversource Gas Company Massachusetts D/B/A Eversource Energy, of 247 Station Drive, Westwood, MA 02090 for a Garage License Transfer located at 995 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Acting President Griffin opened the Hearing.

Jason St. Martin, Manager of facilities operation with Eversource and Jim Drake Fleet manager appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

No one was in opposition.

President Thompson closed the hearing.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt and Thompson absent.

9. Petition of Eversource Gas Company Massachusetts D/B/A Eversource Energy, of 247 Station Drive, Westwood, MA 02090 for a Motor Vehicle Mechanical Repair License Transfer located at 995 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Acting President Griffin opened the Hearing.

Jason St. Martin, Manager of facilities operation with Eversource and Jim Drake Fleet manager appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

No one was in opposition.

President Thompson closed the hearing.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt and Thompson absent.

10. Petition of SJM Sons Realty LLC D/B/A Maaco Brockton, of 1 Emerson Pl #8E, Boston, MA 02114 for a Garage License Transfer located at 84 Westgate Drive, Brockton, MA 02301.

Acting President Griffin opened the Hearing.

Councilor Asack motioned to postpone and was properly seconded. The motion carried by hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt and Thompson absent.

11. Petition of Renova Car Auto Repair Inc./Luan Alves Inacio, of 105 Fullerton Avenue, Whitman, MA 02382 for a Motor Vehicle Mechanical Repair License Transfer located at 1782R Main Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Acting President Griffin opened the Hearing.

Luan Alves Inacio appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Councilor Nicastro reviewed there paperwork and is in support of this transfer.

No one was in opposition.

President Thompson closed the hearing.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt and Thompson absent.

- 12.** Petition of Pires Brothers auto Repair, Inc. (Manny D. Pires), of 192 Braemoor Road, Brockton, MA 02301 for a Motor Vehicle Mechanical Repair License Transfer located at 772 N. Main Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Acting President Griffin opened the Hearing.

Manny Pires appeared in favor of the petition and was there to answer any questions.

Councilor Asack stated she has met with Mr. Pires several times and his brother's and everything's in order and wishes him all the best.

No one was in opposition.

President Thompson closed the hearing.

Granted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt and Thompson absent.

REPORTS:

- 13.** Of the Ordinance Committee for its meeting of September 25, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 14.** Of the Finance Committee for its meeting of October 6, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 15.** From the Fire Chief recommending the promotion of Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro to the rank of Fire Lieutenant in the Brockton Fire Department. This promotion is due to the resignation of Lieutenant Andrew P. Wisocky. Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro is the number one candidate on the current Human Resources Fire Lieutenant List.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 16.** From the Mayor recommending the promotion of Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro to the rank of Fire Lieutenant in the Brockton Fire Department. This promotion is due to the resignation of Lieutenant Andrew P. Wisocky. Firefighter Christopher R. D'Alessandro is the number one candidate on the current Human Resources Fire Lieutenant List.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 17.** From the Mayor reappointing James Plouffe of 3 Carriage House Drive, Lakeville, Massachusetts 02347 to the position of Building Superintendent of the Public Property Department for the City of Brockton for a three-year term ending November 2026.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 18.** From the Mayor appointing Juan Pablo Gonzalez of 770 East Ashland Street, Apartment 1305, Brockton, MA 02302, to the role of Auditor for the City of Brockton for a three-year term.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 19.** From the Mayor reappointing Oluwatoyin Adewumi of 123 Country Club Ln., Brockton, MA 02301 to the Brockton Commission on Women's Issues for a three-year term, ending in September 2028.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 20.** From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the approval of a prior year unpaid bill of \$2,684.51. In order to pay for an invoice from FY25.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 21.** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support approval of a prior year unpaid bill of \$2,684.51, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. In order to pay for an invoice from FY25.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 22.** From the Police Chief requesting authorization to expend grant monies related to the FY26 State 911 Training Grant award of \$326,707.89 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security State 911 Department.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 23.** From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$326,707.89 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department. These funds are a part of the State 911 Department Training Grant and will be used to reimburse overtime for ETDs and to fund various education programs.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 24.** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$326,707.89 from the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to the Brockton Police Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are a part of the State 911 Department Training Grant and will be used to reimburse overtime for ETDs and to fund various education programs.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 25.** From the Police Chief requesting acceptance of the donation from Eastern Bank for \$3,000.00. The bank was generous in providing the necessary funds to ensure that the First Responder Community Jamboree on August 16, 2025 was a success.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 26.** From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 from Eastern Bank to the Brockton Police

Department. These funds helped support the First Responder Community Jamboree on August 16, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 27.** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of a donation in the amount of \$3,000.00 from Eastern Bank to the Brockton Police Department, without a detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds helped support the First Responder Community Jamboree on August 16, 2025.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 28.** From the Superintendent of Parks requesting the acceptance and expenditure of the Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Grant offered through the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs in the amount of \$859,400. These funds will be used to create stormwater management designs and construction documents for DW Field's Park. The required match for this grant in the amount of \$95,489.00 will be expended from the DW Field Trust.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 29.** From the Mayor in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council authorize the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$859,400.00 from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the Parks and Recreation Department. These funds are a part of the Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Grant and will be used to create stormwater management designs and construction documents for DW Fields Park. The required match for this grant is \$95,489.00 and will be expended from the DW Field Trust.

Accepted and placed on file.

- 30.** From the CFO in accordance with Section 5 of Chapter 324 of the Acts of 1990, certifying that the financial resources and revenues of the City of Brockton are and will continue to be adequate to support the acceptance and expenditure of the grant award in the amount of \$859,400.00 from the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to the Parks and Recreation Department, without detrimental impact on the continuous provision of the existing level of municipal services. These funds are a part of the Massachusetts Vulnerability Preparedness Grant and will be used to create stormwater management designs and construction documents for DW Fields Park. The required match for this grant is \$95,489.00 and will be expended from the DW Field Trust.

Accepted and placed on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 31.** Reappointment of Christina Derome of 315 Sully Road, Brockton, MA 02302 to the Brockton License Commission for a three-year term ending in July 2028.
(FAVORABLE)

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by "yeas" and "nays"; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

- 32.** Appointment of Dorosella Green of 84 Malvern Road, Brockton, MA 02301 to the Brockton Beautification Committee for a one-year term ending in September 2026.
(FAVORABLE)

Confirmed by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

33. Ordinance: Amendment to Zoning Map for Parcel IDs identified

Be it ordained, pursuant to Section 27-5 of the City Ordinances “Zoning Map” whereby reference is made to and incorporation of said boundaries of each of the zones established as shown on the map entitled, “The City of Brockton, Massachusetts Zoning District Map” dated November 10, 1967, and thereafter amended, that said map be amended to reflect the following zoning change:

Parcel ID	133-002	R-1(current) to	R-5 Zone
	133-003	R-1(current) to	R-5 Zone
	175-160	R-1(current) to	R-5 Zone (FAVORABLE)

Passed to a third reading by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

34. Ordered: That the City of Brockton appropriates the amount of Four Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$470,000) for the purpose of purchasing equipment used to maintain D.W. Field Golf Course. To meet this appropriation the City Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said amount under G.L. c. 44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

Further Ordered: That the City Treasurer is authorized to file an application with The Commonwealth of Massachusetts’ Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under G.L. c. 44A any and all bonds or notes of the City authorized by this order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Municipal Finance Oversight Board of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts may require. (FAVORABLE)

City Clerk Mr. Cruise stated this was an error by him. They voted on final passage last meeting. It was incorrectly. It should have gone to a third reading and that was strictly his mistake. So that's what they're doing tonight, because it's a law order. It needed to go to a third reading just like an ordinance and it was his mistake.

Passed to a third reading by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

35. Ordered: That the City, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 44, §53A and 53A½, hereby accepts the following donation of \$500.00

From: PLYMOUTH DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

To: COUNCIL ON AGING (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

36. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$246,175

FROM: FIRE- PERSONAL SERVICES	\$246,175
TO: LIBRARY- GOODS AND SUPPLIES (FAVORABLE)	\$246,175

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

37. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$1,600,000.

FROM: MASSWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM	\$1,600,000
TO: PLANNING DEPARTMENT (FAVORABLE)	\$1,600,000

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

38. Ordered: That the following named sum be and the same is hereby transferred as the same was submitted by the Mayor as follows:

Transfer of: \$100,000.00

FROM: POLICE - PERSONAL SERVICES	\$100,000.00
TO: TRAFFIC - GOODS AND SUPPLIES (FAVORABLE)	\$100,000.00

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

39. Ordered: In accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council approve the expenditure of \$2,000.00.

FROM: AUDITING – PURCHASE OF SERVICE	\$2,000.00
TO: MUNICIPAL SOFTWARE SOLUTIONS (FAVORABLE)	\$2,000.00

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

40. Ordered: That pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, § 14 and the City of Brockton’s Ordinance 2-157, the City of Brockton hereby accepts the Lease Agreement entered into with Hawkeye Fence LLC for certain real property located at 91 Foster Street, Brockton MA to be leased to Brockton Public Schools. Said lease agreement shall run for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2028. The Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said Lease Agreement.
(FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a roll call vote taken by “yeas” and “nays”; nine members present and all voting in the affirmative. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

41. Resolve: WHEREAS, The City of Brockton is fortunate to have many organizations dedicated to the sports interests of our young people, and,

WHEREAS, These organizations diligently work to hold down the costs of their operations in order to allow as many children as possible to participate in various sports, and,

WHEREAS, Recent fee increases voted by the Brockton School Committee have dramatically increased the potential costs to certain community-based, youth sports organizations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Representatives from The Brockton Blazers Softball organization and any other youth organization affected by fee increases be invited to a meeting of the council to discuss the impact on their ability to continuing sports opportunities for young people. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

42. Resolve: Be it resolved to have Mayor Robert Sullivan, Brockton CFO Dr. Troy Clarkson, DPW Commissioner Patrick Hill and City Solicitor Megan Bridges appear before the Finance Committee of the Brockton City Council to discuss the recent trip to meet with representatives of the Aquaria treatment plant regarding a proposed purchase of the Dighton desalinization plant. (FAVORABLE)

Adopted by a hand vote. Councilors Derenoncourt, and Thompson absent.

ORDERS:

43. Ordered: In accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 44, recommending that the City Council approve the expenditure of \$2,684.51.

FROM: COUNCIL ON AGING – PURCHASE OF SERVICE \$2,684.51
TO: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - WATER \$2,684.51

Referred to Finance

44. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$326,707.89.

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY \$326,707.89
TO: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT \$326,707.89

Referred to Finance

45. Ordered: That the City, pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 44, § 53A and 53A½, hereby accepts the following donation of \$3,000.00

From: EASTERN BANK
To: BROCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Referred to Finance

46. Ordered: That the City Council authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of the total grant funds in the amount of \$859,400.00.

FROM: OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS \$859,400.00
TO: PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT \$859,400.00

Referred to Finance

Councilor's Recognition

Meeting Adjourned 7: 39 PM

All council business as listed on the agenda have been emailed to the City Council members in their complete form, with exception of oversized material, such as maps, photos, etc.

Recommendations are based on reports from committees.