CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025

PORTSMOUTH, NH TIME: 7:00PM

Councilor Tabor moved to close the Non-Public Session and seal the minutes. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

III. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McEachern called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

IV. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor McEachern, Councilors Tabor, Cook, Denton, Blalock, Bagley, Moreau, and

Lombardi

ABSENT: Assistant Mayor Kelley

V. INVOCATION

Mayor McEachern asked everyone to join in a moment of silent prayer in memory of Cycling Coach Charles Ydoate who recently passed away.

VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McEachern led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

VII. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - MAY 19, 2025; JUNE 9, 2025; AND JUNE 23, 2025

Councilor Moreau moved to accept and approve the minutes of May 19, 2025; June 9, 2025; and June 23, 2025, City Council minutes. Seconded by Councilor Blalock and voted.

VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE REPORTS

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Reverend Ellen Quaadgras spoke in strong support of the Resolution under Councilor Cook and Councilor Bagley regarding Citizens' Due Process Rights. She said that this is the city of the open door and the resolution is about living those values.

<u>Rich DiPentima</u> urged the City Council to support the Resolution and the due process of citizens rights. He said due process is about a person's constitutional rights.

Roy Helsel spoke opposed the city budget and the expense on taxpayers with some of the upcoming projects. He said the City Council needs to consider if the projects benefit the city.

<u>Beth LaMontagne</u> spoke regarding the lack of adequate after school care for students. She said the Recreation Department program sign ups were full by 9:00 a.m. She stated that New Franklin School does not have the same opportunities as other schools.

<u>Sue Polidura</u> said we are living under the situation of having an open border and that impacts communities. She stated that the city should not insert itself if you object to ICE agents wearing masks.

<u>Irish Mike</u> spoke against the Resolution regarding citizens due process rights. He said anyone here illegally should be removed and that the immigration system is broken.

<u>Judith Castle</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and said there is a threat to our democracy, and we need to defend our legacy. She said people cannot remain silent.

<u>Anna Howard</u> spoke regarding the stages of immigration and said being legal or illegal is a piece of paper. She urged the City Council to support the resolution.

<u>Diane Stradling</u> strongly urged the support of the City Council to adopt the Resolution.

<u>Janet Groat</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and said many people have different points of view regarding immigration. She said people should be treated humanely and follow the laws. She urged the Council to change the title to recognize all citizens.

<u>Francis Cormier</u> said there should not be sanctuary cities because no one is above the law. He said illegals are getting free food and health care and spoke opposed to the government allowing this.

<u>Janet Polasky</u> spoke in favor of the Resolution and said all people should feel safe. She urged the City Council to commit to the Resolution and adopt it.

<u>Hannah Sorrow</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and said diversity makes everything better for everyone. She said we owe the community more than a Resolution; we need to practice empathy.

<u>Brandon Sorrow</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and said the city should be a welcoming place for all. He said everyone should feel safe being here in the city.

<u>Laura Eurer</u> said that Portsmouth is a safe haven for all and does not want ICE here in our community. She said if ICE is here, they should be exposed.

Reverend Kendra Ford said she appreciates that public comment is part of the process. She said it is clear the City Council listens, and thanked Councilor Cook and Councilor Bagley for bringing the Resolution forward for consideration. She said if ICE is at Pease we need to take the initiative to stop them from being in our community.

<u>John Bedford</u> urged the City Council to pass the Resolution for citizens rights to due process. He said ICE raids are part of the coo, and we must stand up to stop this from occurring in Portsmouth.

<u>Kline Dickens</u>, North Hampton, NH spoke in strong support of the Resolution and urged the city to become a sanctuary community. She said the city has until January 21, 2026, to vote and become a sanctuary community that would protect her friends and neighborhoods by allowing them to remain here.

<u>Marie Collins</u>, Eliot, Maine spoke to the City Council and urged them to pass the Resolution. She said the City Council needs to step forward to make the goal clear that we support all those who need a safe environment to live in.

<u>Erik Anderson</u> spoke regarding the bonding request and said he would like to hear the comments of the City Council on this matter. He said that this is a fiscal subject, and the City Council needs to accept responsibility for voting on this matter and burdening the taxpayers.

<u>Mary Rhiel</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and urged the City Council to vote to adopt it. She said it is the right thing to do for everyone.

<u>Tyler Garzo</u> spoke in support of the Bike/Pedestrian Plan and the Market Square Master Plan. He said he would like to see the bike lanes finished on Middle Street.

<u>Susan Denenberg</u> urged the City Council to adopt the Resolution and said people are coming here for a better life. She said we as citizens have more power than the City Council and urged residents to go to Pease and speak up to protect the people coming to Portsmouth. She also asked the City Council to be cautious with finances and look at wants versus needs.

<u>Elaine Beauchesne</u> said due process means fairness for all speaking in support of the adoption of the Resolution.

<u>Sophia Shay</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and said the situation is scary for the people that work in the restaurant business. She said the Resolution is for all to support and urged its adoption by the City Council.

<u>Kirsten Hunter</u> thanked Councilor Cook and Councilor Bagley for bringing the Resolution forward. She said immigrants are being treated unfairly and the Council has the ability to stop that from occurring.

<u>Catilyn Winders</u>, Rochester, NH spoke in support of passing the Resolution and urged the City Council to hear what has been said this evening by the speakers. She also spoke opposed to the library changing its hours due to budgetary cuts.

<u>Monica Greenleaf</u> spoke in support of the Resolution and urged the City Council to adopt it this evening. She said that 71% of all detainees do not have criminal convictions. She said we need to let the Police Department do their jobs and arrest the criminals.

<u>Peter Furst</u> said that his family are naturalized citizens and now schedule their errands with caution. He said that the current situation requires them to isolate from others and urged the City Council to adopt the Resolution this evening.

<u>Katherine Harake</u> spoke regarding the elementary school playgrounds and supports the borrowing Resolution and asked for the unanimous support of the City Council.

Councilor Cook moved to suspend the rules to bring forward Item XV. A. – Resolution to Protect Citizens' Due Process Rights. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

XV. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

A. COUNCILOR COOK & COUNCILOR BAGLEY

1. Resolution to Protect Citizens' Due Process Rights

Councilor Cook asked the City Council to support the Resolution with a slight amendment to the title. She said that it is important to protect our community and that this is the least we can do for the community. She said that she was happy to hear from our Police Chief on this matter.

Councilor Bagley thanked Councilor Cook and the Legal Department for putting together the Resolution. He said he has interest in everyday items for the City Council and having people of Portsmouth abducted is a concern for him. He stated that this may be outside of what the City Council normally does but the City Council needs to take a stand.

Councilor Denton applauded everyone for coming to speak to this Resolution this evening and said having people actively participating in this is important.

Councilor Lombardi said he first took the oath in 1965 for entering into the Air Force. He said the second time was becoming a City Councilor and this matter is what we are here to do.

Councilor Blalock said everything in the Resolution is important and believes in the City of Portsmouth. He said he wants to protect all citizens and visitors.

Councilor Tabor said he would support the Resolution and hopes all City Councilors will vote in favor of its adoption this evening. He said we are doing this because ICE made this a local issue.

Mayor McEachern thanked everyone for taking the responsibility to come out and speak this evening regarding the Resolution. He spoke to his grandfather who came here from Nova Scotia and worked at the button factory. He said that people need to make an impact because this is the City of the Open Door. He said it is important for people to feel that they can trust the City Council.

Councilor Bagley moved to adopt the Resolution by amending the title to A Resolution to Protect Residents' Due Process Rights. Seconded by Councilor Cook.

On a unanimous roll call vote 8-0, motion passed.

At 8:40 p.m., Mayor McEachern declared a brief recess. Mayor McEachern called the meeting back to order at 8:50 p.m.

X. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND VOTE ON ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS

A. First Reading of Chapter 1, Administrative Code – Article I, Administrative Code Ordinance Amendments

- Section 1.102 Administrative Organization
- Section 1.103 Organizational Chart
- Section 1.105 General Powers and Duties of the Department Administrators
- Section 1.106 Specific Duties, Functions and Responsibilities of Departments
- Section 1.107 Authority of City Manager

Councilor Cook moved to pass first reading of the proposed changes to Chapter 1 and schedule a public hearing and second reading at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Lombardi and voted.

B. First Reading of Chapter 2, Seal, Deeds and Elections – Article II, Deeds, Section 2.201 – Execution to be amended by deleting the section in its entirety

Councilor Tabor moved to pass first reading of the proposed changes to Chapter 2 and schedule a public hearing and second reading at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Denton and voted.

- C. First Reading of Omnibus Vehicles, Traffic and Parking Ordinance Amendments:
 - Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.326 Limited Parking 15 Minutes Hanover Street and State Street
 - Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.330 No Parking State Street and Sagamore Avenue
 - Chapter 7, Article IVA, Section 7A.408 Taxi Stands Designated Pleasant Street
 - Chapter 7, Article VI Limited Hours Loading Zones Penhallow Street

Councilor Bagley moved to pass first reading and hold a public hearing and second reading at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Lombardi and voted.

<u>Public Hearing & Second Reading of Ordinance:</u>

- D. PUBLIC HEARING and Second Reading of Ordinance amending Chapter 7, Vehicles, Traffic and Parking, Article III, Traffic Ordinance, Section 7.324, Time Limited Free Three Hour Parking for Special Military License Plates
 - PRESENTATION
 - CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
 - PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
 - ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

Councilor Denton said this codifies what Portsmouth currently does, and it will not increase our parking revenues.

Mayor McEachern opened the public hearing and called for speakers. With no speakers, Mayor McEachern closed the public hearing.

Councilor Lombardi moved to pass second reading and schedule third and final reading of amendments to Chapter 7, Article III, Section 7.324 at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Denton and voted.

Councilor Denton moved to suspend the rules to bring forward third and final reading of the ordinance. Seconded by Councilor Cook and voted.

Councilor Denton moved to pass third and final reading of the ordinance. Seconded by Councilor Blalock and voted.

Public Hearing & Adoption of Resolutions: (2/3rd Roll Call Vote Required for Resolutions)

- E. PUBLIC HEARING and Adoption of Resolution authorizing a Bond Issue and/or notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act of up to Four Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,150,000.00) for costs related to:
 - School Facilities Capital Improvements
 - Elementary Schools Upgrade
 - Elementary Schools Playground Upgrade
 - PRESENTATION
 - CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
 - PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
 - ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

Mayor McEachern read the legal notice, declared the public hearing open and called for speakers.

Councilor Bagley asked if the Resolution includes the deficiencies found at New Franklin School.

Ken Linchey, School Facilities, said that the Resolution addresses some of the deficiencies found at New Franklin School.

With no speakers, Mayor McEachern declared the public hearing closed.

Councilor Blalock moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilor Moreau.

On a unanimous roll call vote 8-0, motion passed.

- F. PUBLIC HEARING and Adoption of Resolution authorizing a Bond Issue and/or notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act and/or participation in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program up to Eight Million Nine Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$8,915,000.00) for costs related to:
 - Annual Sewer Line Replacement
 - Sewer Service Funding for Sagamore Avenue Area Sewer Extension
 - Peirce Island Wastewater Treatment Facility
 - Fleet Street Utilities Upgrade and Streetscape
 - Citywide Storm Drainage Improvements

- Chapel Street
- Lafayette Park and Monroe Street Drainage Improvements
- Sewer System Modeling
 - PRESENTATION
 - CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
 - PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
 - ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

Mayor McEachern read the legal notice, declared the public hearing open and called for speakers. With no speakers, Mayor McEachern declared the public hearing closed.

Councilor Tabor moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilor Bagley.

On a unanimous roll call vote 8-0, motion passed.

- G. PUBLIC HEARING and Adoption of Resolution authorizing a Bond Issue and/or notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act and/or participation in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program up to Eleven Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$11,450,000.00) related to:
 - Annual Water Line Replacement
 - Well Station Improvements
 - Water Storage Tanks
 - Greenland Well Treatment
 - Fleet Street Utilities Upgrade and Streetscape
 - Chapel Street
 - PRESENTATION
 - CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
 - PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
 - ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

Mayor McEachern read the legal notice, declared the public hearing open and called for speakers.

<u>Petra Huda</u> said there are serious unanswered questions before you vote on this bonding resolution and asked why the bonds have not been used since FY23. She asked how projects are being funded without going out for bonding. She said that this is about local responsibility for the taxpayers and there are three out of four sections in the general fund and water and sewer projects that will combine. She said you can't use bonds for things such as painting and carpets because those are maintenance costs.

After three calls and no further speakers, Mayor McEachern declared the public hearing closed.

Mayor McEachern said we need a public hearing on the reissuing of bonds.

Councilor Moreau said the timing for the Coakley Road culvert project is based on the timing of the DES. City Manager Conard said we are waiting for DES to be ready before we suggest bonding for that project.

Councilor Bagley said when we open up roadways, we sometimes find things that we are not anticipating.

Councilor Tabor moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilor Bagley.

On a unanimous roll call vote 8-0, motion passed.

- H. PUBLIC HEARING and Adoption of Resolution authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act of up to Fourteen Million Five Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$14,555,000.00) for costs related to:
 - City Hall HVAC Improvements
 - Financial Software
 - Elwyn Park Traffic Calming and Pedestrian Flow Plan
 - Market Square Upgrades
 - Citywide Sidewalk Reconstruction Program
 - Cate Street Bridge Replacement
 - Coakley-Borthwick Connector Roadway
 - Street Paving, Management and Rehabilitation
 - Pease International Tradeport Roadway Rehabilitation
 - Fleet Street Utilities Upgrade and Streetscape
 - Citywide Storm Drainage Improvements
 - PRESENTATION
 - CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS
 - PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS
 - ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS

Mayor McEachern read the legal notice, declared the public hearing open and called for speakers.

<u>Tyler Garzo</u> expressed concern regarding the project for Van Buren Avenue which is taking place in front of his home. He said there is not enough money to blindly support such requests.

Public Works Director Rice said the section of road in front of his home is a damage issue to the area and that we are still doing design and focusing on the area of Dondero School.

Mayor McEachern said the project has gone on for some time. He stated that there are some supportive of the installation of sidewalks and some that are not.

Councilor Cook asked if the roadway could be narrowed a bit.

Public Works Director Rice said putting curbing in along the area has an effect of narrowing the roadway.

Mayor McEachern said when it comes to traffic calming it is important, but everyone needs to understand if you want to drive slower you need to feel less comfortable driving quickly.

Councilor Blalock moved to adopt the Resolution as presented. Seconded by Councilor Moreau.

On a unanimous roll call vote 8-0, motion passed.

XI. CITY MANAGER'S ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION

A. CITY MANAGER CONARD

1. Acceptance of Portsmouth's Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Plan

City Manager Conard said that we did not receive any additional comments on this project and we are looking to move forward with the plan.

Councilor Denton moved to accept the Portsmouth Bicycle and Pedestrian Network Plan Update as presented and commit to the goals and recommendations set forth within the plan. Seconded by Councilor Tabor.

Councilor Cook said she has received several requests to set up an advisory committee. She asked that the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee and the Sustainability Committee work together towards a working group.

Mayor McEachern said we might want to consider having a member of SABR sit on the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee and address concerns in the plan.

Motion passed.

2. Acceptance of Portsmouth's Market Square Master Plan

City Manager Conard said the Master Plan for Market Square is before you for approval this evening.

Councilor Moreau moved to accept the Market Square Master Plan as presented and commit to the goals and recommendations set forth within the plan. Seconded by Councilor Bagley.

Councilor Cook said she does not feel the plan is going far enough but it is a great start. She spoke about additional parking and concerns have been expressed regarding sidewalks. She stated we only get to do such plans every 50 years and does not feel the plan is very forward thinking or addresses major challenges downtown.

Councilor Moreau said two years ago she brought forward the idea of making State Street two-way and the Council needs to look at that.

Councilor Cook said she does not feel that we are looking at the needs of the taxpayer.

Mayor McEachern said he would like to look at more ways of getting families downtown. He said the issue with any plan is that many folks were surprised we are looking to change something that they feel is fine.

Motion passed with Councilor Cook and Councilor Denton voting opposed.

3. Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Portsmouth Professional Management Association

City Manager Conard briefly reviewed the changes to the contract and reported that COLA is retroactive back to July 1st.

Councilor Cook moved to approve the tentative agreement with the Portsmouth Professional Management Association as presented. Seconded by Councilor Moreau and voted.

4. Request to Name Private Streets Associated with 100 Durgin Lane

City Manager Conard said that the request is to name private streets at 100 Durgin Lane.

Councilor Blalock moved to approve the naming of the private streets as shown in the agenda packet to Dow Avenue, Page Street, Sifton Street and Butler Way for the new development off 100 Durgin Lane. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

5. Request to Name a Private Street Located at 635 Sagamore Avenue

City Manager Conard said that this will name a private street located at 635 Sagamore Avenue.

Councilor Moreau moved to authorize the use of Lady Slipper Way as the private street name for the new private street originating at the former street address known as 635 Sagamore Avenue. Seconded by Councilor Tabor and voted.

6. Revocable License for 86 Haven Road

City Manager Conard said this is a revocable license and will allow drainage at the site.

Councilor Lombardi moved to authorize the City Manager to execute and deliver a Revocable License allowing the owner of 86 Haven Road to install a drainage pipe on City property. Seconded by Councilor Denton and voted.

7. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with AFSCME Local #1386-A

City Manager Conard said this is to reclassify a position in Local 1386-A and does not have an impact on salary.

Councilor Cook moved to approve the proposed MOA with AFSCME Local #1386-A as presented. Seconded by Councilor Moreau and voted.

8. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Portsmouth Professional Management Association

City Manager Conard said that this is a new title and allows the addition of an Assistant Finance Director.

Councilor Blalock moved to approve the proposed MOA with the Portsmouth Professional Management Association as presented. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

9. Revocable License for 18 Congress Street

City Manager Conard reported that the pipe was damaged during the resurfacing of Church Street, and the City is working with the 18 Congress Street Condominium Association to repair the pipe.

Councilor Tabor moved to authorize the City Manager to execute and deliver a Revocable License to the 18 Congress Street Condominium Association for the installation and maintenance of a pipe on City property. Seconded by Councilor Lombardi and voted.

10. Acceptance of Temporary Construction Easement for Property Located at 2 Russell Street

City Manager Conard said that this is a temporary easement, and the Planning Board recommends the acceptance of the easement.

Councilor Moreau moved to authorize the City Manager to accept and record a temporary construction easement from Port Harbor Land, LLC in a substantially similar form to the easement deed contained in the agenda packet. Seconded by Councilor Cook and voted.

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Eversource Petition and Pole License Request:
 - Installation of 1 pole and 500 feet of conduit on Durgin Lane #63-0758
 - Installation of 1 pole on Maplewood Avenue #63-0754

(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act)

- B. Letter from Mike Peabody, Millennium Running, requesting permission to hold the St. Paddy's 5k/10k on Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. (Anticipated action move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act)
- C. Letter from Mike Peabody, Millennium Running, requesting permission to hold the Eastern States 20 Miler & Half Marathon on Sunday, March 22, 2026 (Anticipated action move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act)

Councilor Cook moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

XIII. PRESENTATIONS AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. E-mail Correspondence

Councilor Moreau moved to accept and place on file. Seconded by Councilor Lombardi.

Councilor Cook moved to split out the email from former City Councilor Nancy Pearson regarding the future of Vaughan Mall for separate action. Seconded by Councilor Denton and voted.

Councilor Cook moved to refer the email from former City Councilor Nancy Pearson regarding the future of Vaughan Mall to the Department of Public Works and the Public Art Review Committee for review. Seconded by Councilor Moreau and voted.

Main motion passed as amended.

B. Letter from Rodney Rowland, Strawbery Banke, requesting the gift of 150 linear feet of used granite curbing as part of a flood resiliency project

Councilor Blalock moved to approve with the coordination by the Department of Public Works. Seconded by Councilor Tabor.

Councilor Cook said she is excited that the City and Strawbery Banke are partners for the installation of curbing as part of this project.

Motion passed.

XIV. MAYOR McEACHERN

 Appointments to be Considered:
 Appointment of Anna Howard as a regular member of the Economic Development Commission filling an unexpired term until October 1, 2026

The City Council considered the appointment of Anna Howard as a regular member of the Economic Development Commission and will act upon this appointment at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting.

XV. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

B. COUNCILOR MOREAU

1. Proposed Zoning Changes for Islington Creek

Councilor Moreau said she met with residents regarding the zoning requests, and this is to serve as a transitional zone. She stated that the height of buildings will be changed and will create a transitional buffer for building along Foundry Place and Hill Street. She said that this will take the neighborhood and realign the downtown district.

Mayor McEachern said there is a property that cuts through an overlay district. Councilor Moreau said that Foundry Place would be at the highest height.

Councilor Bagley moved to suspend the rules to continue the meeting beyond 10:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilor Cook and voted. Councilors Blalock and Moreau voted opposed.

Councilor Cook said that this is a step in the right direction and preserves the space at CD5 and the North End Overlay. She said she likes that this pulls back the downtown overlay and picked up the other buildings.

Councilor Lombardi said he feels like we are trying to be the Planning Board here and asked why the Planning Board is not involved in these discussions.

Mayor McEachern said the easiest path forward is to codify this and Councilor Moreau's plan does that. He said Overlay Districts could be changed making a new district around those borders.

Councilor Moreau moved to bring forward the requested changes as outlined in her memorandum for first reading at the August 18, 2025, City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilor Cook and voted. Councilor Bagley recused from voting on this item.

Proposed Zoning Changes for Islington Creek:

- Downtown overlay district, moved back to follow the line along the lots on Bridge Street, being the true downtown area insisting on the first floor being commercial. This neighborhood is not in the downtown.
- Change lots 138-63, 138-62 to be CD4, this is a minimal change that allows for the same residential density, but some protections on uses for the neighbors.
- Proposed change to one side of Hill Street, creating the transition from existing 50 feet to 45 feet. This allows for the step down transition the neighborhood needs as you approach much smaller buildings on Hill and Hanover.
- Northend Overlay District, proposing to move the boundary to align with Foundry Place, this
 neighborhood is not north of downtown, therefore it should not have been included in the north
 end overlay. The Northend District is mostly east of Maplewood and North of Deer Street;
 therefore it makes sense to move the boundary of this overlay district to align with Foundry
 Place.

XVI. APPROVAL OF GRANTS/DONATIONS

Α. Acceptance of Grant for the City's annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event - \$4,970.00

Councilor Tabor moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Grant Agreement with New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to accept \$4,970.00 from the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Grant Program and execute any contracts or documents which may be necessary for this grant agreement. Seconded by Councilor Cook and voted.

B. Acceptance of Grant for the City's North Mill Pond Greenway Living Shoreline Project -\$419,306.00

Councilor Denton moved to authorize the City Manager to accept \$419,306.00 from the Aquatic Resources Mitigation fund and execute all necessary documents to complete the project upon approval from the State of New Hampshire Governor and Executive Council. Seconded by Councilor Moreau and voted.

C. Acceptance of Donation from the Friends of Ruth Blay to the Public Art Review Committee to utilize for public art efforts - \$3,729.04

Councilor Cook moved to accept the donation from the Friends of Ruth Blay to the Public Art Review Committee to utilize for public art efforts. Seconded by Councilor Blalock and voted.

Acceptance of Donation of 18 Historical Books Donated to the Law Library by Attorney D. Peter Loughlin

Councilor Tabor moved to accept the donation of 18 historical books from Attorney Loughlin. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

XVII. CITY MANAGER'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

(There are no Informational Items for this meeting)

XVIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS INCLUDING BUSINESS REMAINING UNFINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:45 p.m., Councilor Moreau moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilor Bagley and voted.

KELLI L. BARNABY, MMC/CNHMC

CITY CLERK