**City Council
Holyoke Massachusetts**

**Pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25,
and Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022,
notice is hereby given of a meeting of the committee on
Public Safety**

Monday, August 8, 2022
6:30 PM

Meeting to take place at
Holyoke City Hall, 536 Dwight St
and can be accessed remotely on Zoom Meetings
Per order of the Chair: Israel Rivera

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Meeting ID: 862 0284 1916 Meeting Passcode: 673611 or by call in at 1 (646) 558-8656 with the same Meeting ID and Passcode.

Agenda

Item 1: 6-21-22 MALDONADO-VELEZ -- Ordered, that the city engineer study the intersection of Hamilton Street and Main Street in the hopes of adding safety measures. Some problems at this intersection have been “very dangerous to cross the street even with the marked crosswalk” and “dangerous when taking a left turn from Hamilton onto Main street”. Any recommendations to how we can improve the safety at this intersection would be great!

Item 2: 6-21-22 JOURDAIN -- That the Fire Chief and Fire Commission please provide the following information to the City Council within 30 days: Do any fire personnel of all ranks work second jobs that exceed 30 hours per week? If yes, how many? How does the department manage those second full-time obligations when Ordinance 2-35 states that fire class of the public safety group are supposed to be working a 48 hour schedule? After the report is received, please invite in the Chief and Commission to discuss if appropriate.

Item 3: 6-21-22 ANDERSON-BURGOS -- That the DPW seek an alternative solution for rock salt. Salt is corrosive to vehicles and roads, and can contaminate drinking water and be toxic to wildlife.

Item 4: 6-21-22 VACON -- that the lines on Rt 202 on the closed right hand lane going toward Westfield be painted ASAP. Two lanes are being used as travel lanes creating a safety hazard.

Item 5: 6-21-22 VACON -- that the city engineer evaluate the area of Cherry & Dale Streets for speed calming measures and the PD enforce speed limits. Pedestrians and drivers are reporting drivers traveling at high speeds failing to stop for the crosswalk and causing dangerous situations for drivers entering Cherry Street from Dale St. and driveways on Cherry St.

Item 6: 6-21-22 MCGEE -- That the City/DPW/Public Safety Committee review and determine how to close Wyckoff Ave from Northampton Street, similar to that on 202.

Item 7: 6-21-22 JOURDAIN, Tallman -- That the PVTA be requested to replace their bus shelter on South Street at the South Street shopping plaza. Bus riders have gone some time without the prior shelter.

Item 8: 6-21-22 VACON -- that our City Engineer recommend traffic calming measures for Whiting Farms Rd. Constituents are reporting drivers operating their vehicles in an unsafe manner.

Item 9: 5-17-22 VACON -- that traffic flow on Kane and Vermont Street be evaluated to reduce congestion during pick up and drop off times at McMahon School and b) that buses be routed from Homestead Ave rather than Vermont Street and c) consider the number of buses needed as it appears fewer students are using the bus service.

Item 10: 4-19-22 BARTLEY -- The DPW and Mayor locate public spaces where trash and recycling receptacles can be placed and maintained. This should start off as a pilot program and it will require funding and management to ensure the debris/recycling bins are maintained but hopefully it will be a success and Holyoke can expand its scope.

Item 11: 4-5-22 MURPHY-ROMBOLETTI -- That the City Engineer look into whether installation of a traffic light at the intersection of 141 and Bemis Rd is necessary in order to mitigate traffic concerns and potential accidents.

Administrative Assistant: Jeffery Anderson-Burgos

The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Also one or two items may require the committee to enter into executive session at this meeting. Agenda subject to change up to two business days (48 hours) prior to posted meeting time.