

## **Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee PENDING LIST**

	<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Councilor Morris A Bergman</b>
<b>Vice Chairperson</b>		<b>Councilor Luis A Ojeda</b>
		<b>Councilor Donna M Colorio</b>

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### **Communications of the City Auditor**

1. Transmitting an informational communication relative to the revenue received by the city from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) surcharge.  
#16a CC November 18, 2025
2. Transmitting an informational communication detailing the feasibility of providing City Council with an annual or bi-annual report related to grants processed by the city.  
#14b CC October 21, 2025
3. Transmitting an informational communication detailing an itemized list of the City's Special Revenue Funds for the year ended June 30, 2025 including City and School grants, donations and revolving funds and other funds required to be included in the Special Revenue group of funds under laws and regulations by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.  
#14a CC October 21, 2025
4. Transmitting the annual report of the Other Post Employment (OPEB) Trust Fund.  
#10a CC March 4, 2025
5. Transmitting an informational communication relative to revenue received from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) surcharge.  
#16a CC December 10, 2024

**Communications of the City Clerk**

6. Transmitting an informational communication regarding the process used in other communities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts regarding residents petitioning their elected officials.  
#13b CC July 15, 2025
7. Transmitting an informational communication detailing how other municipalities handle signage being displayed within Council Chambers.  
#13d CC July 15, 2025
8. Transmitting an informational communication regarding the roles of residents and City Councilors when placing items on City Council agendas.  
#13c CC July 15, 2025
9. Transmitting a communication relative to the usage of a new agenda management software solution by Granicus for all City Council and other public meetings, beginning on July 1, 2025, including the proposed language to amend Rule 10 of the Rules of City Council.  
#14d CC June 10, 2025
10. Transmitting an informational communication relative to the legality and decision to utilize Section 30A of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, to allow for a fully remote City Council meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, out of an abundance of caution and in the interest of public safety.  
#14c CC June 10, 2025
11. Transmitting an annual report outlining the goals and objectives for the City Clerk's Office.  
#12a CC January 28, 2025
12. Transmitting an informational communication relative to the number of items that were held using personal privilege during each City Council meeting from January 1, 2023, to October 1, 2024.  
#17a CC December 10, 2024

13. Transmitting an informational communication detailing all petitions denied for inclusion on the City Council agenda over the last two (2) years that includes rationale for said denial(s).  
#16g CC September 17, 2024

**Communications of the City Manager**

14. Transmitting informational communication relative to a financial update for the period ending August 31, 2025.  
#12.28A CM November 18, 2025
15. Transmitting informational communication relative to the financial update for the period ending July 31, 2025.  
#8.28A CM September 30, 2025
16. Requesting review and approval of enclosed reorganizational ordinance amendment regarding the Law Department.  
#12r CC August 19, 2025
17. Transmitting informational communication relative to DCU Special Tax District Borrowing.  
#12v CC August 19, 2025
18. Transmitting informational communication relative to the conflict-of-interest law and councilor participation in housing and rent control matters.  
#12s CC August 19, 2025
19. Requesting review and approval of an amendment to the Municipality's Organizational Ordinances, modifying the Department of Public Works & Parks; creating the Parks, Cemetery and Recreation Department; relocating the Designer Selection Board to the Department of Administration & Finance; and restructuring the Fire Department.  
#12q CC August 19, 2025

20. Transmitting informational communication relative to the single member charter hold provision invoked on 6/17/2025.  
#25s CC July 15, 2025
21. Transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the kind of political signage and messaging allowed to be displayed at public meetings.  
#9.15A CM April 1, 2025  
**In Committee May 1, 2025 - Held**
22. Transmitting informational communication relative to an open meeting law complaint of the Education Committee.  
#18b CC March 18, 2025
23. Transmitting informational communication relative to a list of vacant positions as of Feb. 4, 2025.  
#9.26A CM March 4, 2025
24. Transmitting informational communication relative to the financial implication of the HERO Act.  
#9.26B CM February 25, 2025
25. Transmitting informational communication relative to any potential liabilities from declaring Worcester a Sanctuary City.  
#12a CC February 11, 2025
26. Transmitting informational communication relative to Rule 11 of the City Council Rule Regarding Propriety of Items.  
#8.15A CM February 4, 2025  
**In Committee May 1, 2025 - Held**
27. Transmitting informational communication relative to a 3rd Quarter Tax Bill Delay.  
#9.26B CM January 21, 2025

28. Transmitting informational communication relative to an update relative to the American Rescue Plan Act.  
#12.40A CM December 10, 2024
29. Transmitting informational communication relative to a list of properties purchased by colleges and universities from 2019 to the present, whether the college or university kept the property on the tax rolls, any signed community benefit agreements associated with new projects on these properties and what changes, if any, were made to PILOT contributions.  
#10c CC November 19, 2024
30. Transmitting informational communication relative to a process to establish a charter review commission.  
#18b CC November 12, 2024  
**In Committee January 28, 2025 - Held**
31. Transmitting informational communication relative to an opinion regarding a proposed charter amendment to grant the City Council authority to move, edit, and/or eliminate any line item/funding listed in the annual proposed City Budget.  
#18a CC November 12, 2024
32. Transmitting informational communication relative to an update on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.  
#11.39A CM October 15, 2024  
**In Committee November 13, 2024 - Held**
33. Transmitting informational communication relative to an update on the administration of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.  
#10.39A CM August 27, 2024  
**In Committee November 13, 2024 - Held**
34. Recommend adoption of the proposed amendments to the City's ordinances related to the appointment of constables.  
#23a CC August 27, 2024

35. Recommend approval of an amendment to the City's organizational ordinances to create a new division within the City Clerk Department, Administration of City Council Office.  
#9.15A CM June 18, 2024  
**In Committee November 13, 2024 - Held**  
**In Committee May 1, 2025 - Held**
36. Transmitting informational communication relative to a report on the number of pothole claims filed with the City since COVID-19.  
#9.15A CM May 28, 2024
37. Recommend adoption of an amendment to the Organizational Ordinance relative to the Department of Health and Human Services, creating the Division of Youth Opportunities, and reducing the membership of the Advisory Committee on Youth.  
#8.23A CM March 19, 2024  
**In Committee November 13, 2024 - Held**
38. Transmitting informational communication relative to the Police Overtime and Off-Duty Detail Audit Report for the Worcester Police Department.  
#8.39A CM March 19, 2024
39. Transmitting informational communication relative to a report concerning the legality of asking property owners to fill out financial statistics on their properties or be fined for not completing said statistical analysis, as well as what the city does with said data.  
#15g CC September 29, 2022
- Miscellaneous**
40. Transmitting informational communication relative to the financial update for the period ending Sept. 30, 2025  
#10.26A CM November 25, 2025

41. Order of Councilor Morris A. Bergman - That the City Council may henceforth follow M. G. L. Chapter 30A Section 21 (a) (1) et. seq. ensuring that any discussion regarding any City Councilor relative to a) an individual's character, reputation, mental health, or physical condition; or b) complaints, charges, or discipline against a public employee, officer, or staff member; may occur in Executive Session.  
#11a CC March 4, 2025
42. Order of Councilor Morris A. Bergman – That Johnanna L. Hampton-Dance's petition, #8y CC, from the City Council meeting on February 25, 2025, be amended to read as follows: Johanna L. Hampton-Dance request City Council petition the State legislature for a special act to amend the City of Worcester Charter to allow recall elections in municipal elections. Said petition should include the following: Any holder of an office elected solely by the voters of the city herein provided, for reason of lack of fitness, incompetence, neglect of duties, corruption, malfeasance, misfeasance or violation of oath. Registered voters of the City of Worcester may initiate a recall by filing with the City Clerk and the office held whose recall is sought and a statement of the grounds of recall including specific facts supporting one or more of the reasons or other options to declare the seat vacant.  
#11c CC March 4, 2025
43. Petition of John E. Keough request City Council request City Clerk read the exact wording of Rule 15, "Relinquishing the Chair for Purpose of Expression," whenever the Chairperson wants to respond to a City Councilor who is speaking.  
#11a CC January 14, 2025  
**In Committee March 4, 2025 - Held**
44. Petition of Nathalie Gibson request all Worcester 311 service representatives provide additional information to the requestor when a service request is closed, resolved, or cannot be complete.  
#8o CC November 26, 2024

45. Petition of Nathalie Gibson request additional methods to ensure public participants who call in via Zoom who "raise their hand" to speak on an item can be heard.  
#8n CC November 26, 2024  
**In Committee January 28, 2025 - Held**
46. Petition of Brian Mulhearn request City Council request City Manager request City Solicitor provide City Council with a determination of the Rules of City Council to define if Rule 11 applies to agenda items brought under Rule 2.  
#8dd CC November 12, 2024
47. Petition of Nathalie Gibson request City Council request City Manager review the attached documentation, questions and processes associated with petitions referred to the City Manager (see attached for full request).  
#7v CC October 8, 2024
48. Petition of Maydee Morales request City Council request City Manager consider directly designating the balance of the remaining \$44,348,367.00 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, after current pending contracts are completed, to BIPOC led organizations who directly provide services and resources to those who were most affected by the pandemic.  
#8k CC October 1, 2024
49. Order of Councilor Khrystian E. King – Request City Manager provide City Council with a report concerning the parameters in place to protect appointed officials in the event that a conflict arises between a member/members of the public and said appointed official(s). Further, request said report include information relative to whether such an event and parameters should be communicated to City Council to aid in members' future discussions with such a member/members of the public.  
#13j CC June 25, 2024  
**In Committee November 13, 2024 - Held**  
**In Committee May 1, 2025 - Held**



50. Petition of Gordon T. Davis request the Rules of City Council concerning petitions be amended so that the issues of the word "order", the procedures for mootness and the meaning of the word "personalities" are clarified in the revisions. Further, request the Rules of City Council be rewritten in plain English and Spanish to make explicit and clear what is prohibited for the City Council agenda. Further, request City Council request City Clerk make public a list of all denial of applications to petition City Council and the reason for the denials from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023.  
#9r CC January 9, 2024
51. Order of Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations host a public discussion that includes representatives from the Massachusetts State Legislature relative to Massachusetts voters amending the state's Constitution through the Fair Share Amendment, which may generate about \$2 billion dollars to support transportation, public education and tax justice and racial equity.  
#14d CC October 24, 2023  
**In Committee December 20, 2023 - Held**
52. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations - Request Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations meet with members of the State Delegation for the purpose of discussing testimony received by the city from the Worcester Anti-Foreclosure Team as it relates to special process servers actions during evictions and foreclosures.  
#11b CC August 22, 2023
53. Order of Councilor Thu Nguyen and Councilor Etel Haxhiaj - Request Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations meet jointly with the Standing Committee on Public Safety to review the attached letter from retired federal prosecutor, Sarah McKee, concerning the violence of a constable not licensed in the city physically assaulting city residents.  
#16d CC June 27, 2023  
**In Committee July 20, 2023 - Held**

54. Order of Councilor Sean M. Rose – Request Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee hold a discussion regarding exploring the creation of a Charter Commission.  
#13i CC June 14, 2022  
**In Committee January 28, 2025 - Held**
55. Order of Councilor Khrystian E. King - Request Standing Committee on Municipal and Legislative Operations Committee hold a discussion regarding pending state legislation, including home rule petitions, impacting the city.  
#10c CC March 29, 2022  
**In Committee June 22, 2022 - Held**  
**In Committee July 14, 2022 - Held**  
**In Committee August 24, 2022 - Held**  
**In Committee September 28, 2022 - Held**  
**In Committee July 20, 2023 - Held**
56. Petition of John Carnegie in an effort to increase civic engagement and registered voter participation request City Council's expeditious participation in implementing Article Eight of City of Worcester Home Rule Charter regarding Neighborhood Area Councils as described in attached communication.  
#12j CC January 8, 2008