



BRIDGEWATER TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

7:00 p.m.

The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

To attend via video, click on the link below:

[Link to Join 07/07/2020 Town Council Meeting](#)

To attend via phone, dial: 1(646)876-9923

Meeting ID: 938 1545 1769

MEETING AGENDA

Disclosure: Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Bridgewater Town Council will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. There will be no in person attendance permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Facebook Live.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) June 23, 2020

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

- a) Reorganization of the Town Council

C. PROCLAMATIONS

D. CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

E. APPOINTMENTS

F. HEARINGS

- a) 7:05 p.m.: Petition P-2020-013: Alteration of Premise - Riviera Café Inc, 288 Broad Street
- b) 7:15 p.m.: Petition P-2020-014: Pole Location – New Intermediate P58-50 In Between P58 and P59 - Elm Street

G. LICENSE TRANSACTIONS - *None*

H. PRESENTATIONS

- a) Bridgewater Citizens for Civility and Respect – Anti-Racism Pledge

I. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Mitchell School Update (*Standing Item*)
- b) FY21 Revenue vs. Budget (*Standing Item*)
- c) CARES Act and FEMA Funding
- d) Broad Street Project Update
- e) Power Failure at Academy Building
- f) Capital Plan – Sidewalk Improvement
- g) Central Fire Station Search Update
- h) Parking Lot Striping – Commercial Property Owners
- i) Diversity and Inclusion Training
- j) Items for Next Meeting:

J. DISCUSSIONS

K. COMMITTEE REPORTS

L. LEGISLATION FOR ACTION

- a) Order O-FY20-062 Acceptance of a Gift - Bridgewater State University
At their meeting held 6/30/20, the Finance Committee voted 5-0 to recommend approval of this measure. The Budget & Finance Committee voted 3-0 to recommend approval at their meeting held 6/30/20. This measure may be finally considered this evening.

- b) Order O-FY20-063 Acceptance of a Donation - Central Square
At their meeting held 6/30/20, the Finance Committee voted 5-0 to recommend approval of this measure. The Budget & Finance Committee voted 3-0 to recommend approval at their meeting held 6/30/20. This measure may be finally considered this evening
- c) Resolution R-FY20-010: A Resolution Supporting COVID-19 State Funding for School Districts
This measure was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVIII of the Council Rules & Procedures, therefore this measure may be finally considered this evening

M. OLD BUSINESS

N. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Order O-FY21-008: Transfer Order - Capital Appropriation for Highway Barn (*Town Manager*)
- b) Order O-FY21-009: Transfer Order - Capital Appropriation for School Funding (*Town Manager*)

O. CITIZEN COMMENTS

P. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Q. EXECUTIVE SESSION

R. ADJOURNMENT



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Petition: P-2020-013

Date Introduced/Public Hearing: July 7, 2020

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

Relative to:

**ALTERATION OF LICENSED PREMISES RESTURANT ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
LICENSE**

Riviera Café, Inc.

Whereas, Riviera Café, Inc has submitted the applicable documentation required for an alteration of premises for their Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages License located at 288 Broad Street, Bridgewater, MA; and,

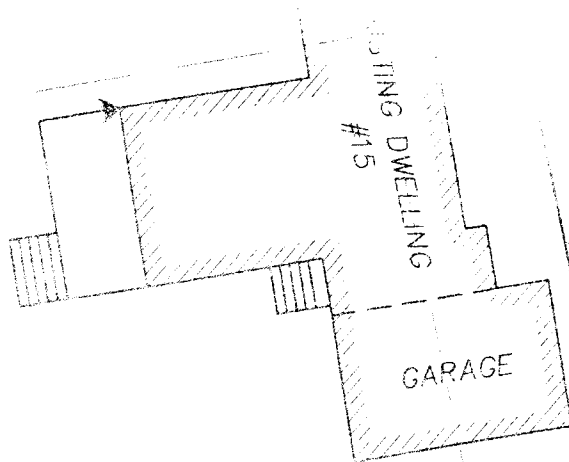
Whereas, the applicant proposes adding a patio area adjacent to the last approved premise. The area will be enclosed 32' x 15' additional deck added on to the back, will lose one parking space, additional 3 picnic tables to accommodate 24 more seats; and,

Whereas, Riviera Café, Inc. has complied with the requirements of the Town of Bridgewater and applicable state laws inclusive of the Building Code, Fire Codes, etc; and,

Whereas, Riviera Café, Inc. maximum operating hours are Monday-Saturday from 8 am – 1 am, Sunday 12 pm – 1:00 am.

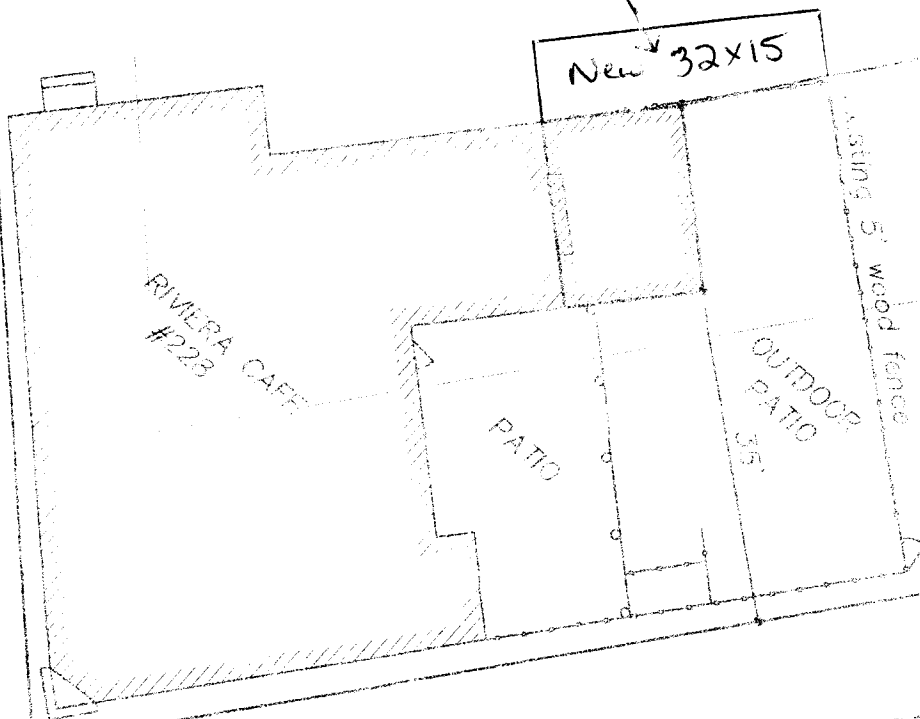
Whereas, the Bridgewater Town Council, acting as the legislative body of the town has such licensing authority and with the affirmative recommendation of the Bridgewater Building Inspector, Fire and Police Departments who have oversight authority, it appears that the public good so requires such request be granted; and,

The Town Council for the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, pursuant to Chapter 138, section 19b(n) and 12 of the Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) in Town Council assembled to approve the petition of the Riviera Café, Inc. be granted an alteration of premises for their Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages License.



PROPOSED ADDITION

New 32x15





Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Petition: P-2020-014

Date Introduced/Public Hearing: July 7, 2020

Amendments Adopted:

Date Adopted:

Date Effective:

Petition: P-2020-014

Relative to:

PETITION TO INSTALL NEW INTERMEDIATE P58-50 IN BETWEEN P58 AND P59 – ELM STREET

The following is excerpted from the petition submitted by the proponent:

PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

May 21, 2020

To the Town Council
Of the Town of Bridgewater

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

request permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, in the following public way or ways:

Elm St

National Grid to install new intermediate P58-50 in between P58 and P59
in order to service new customer of 1030 Elm St

Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked:

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

Plan No. 29271587 Dated 3/24/2020

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

By: Eric Widman
Eric Widman, Manager of Distribution Design

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

By: Daryl Crossman
Daryl Crossman, Manager, R.O.W.

WHEREAS, the petitioner has complied with the requirements of the Town of Bridgewater and applicable state laws; and, WHEREAS, the Bridgewater Town Council, acting as the Legislative body of the Town has such licensing authority and with the recommendation of the Highway Superintendant which has oversight authority, it appears that the public good so requires such license be granted;

The Town Council of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled approve the petition be granted as requested.

ROLL CALL VOTE: REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING

Town Copy



May 22, 2020

Town of Bridgewater
Town Council
25 South Street
Bridgewater, MA 02324

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find a petition of NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC., covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC pole locations

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact:

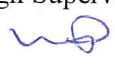
Wendy Paluch 401-267-6627
wendy.paluch@nationalgrid.com

Please notify Ms. Paluch of the hearing date / time.

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to each of the above-named Companies.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eric Widman".

Eric Widman: Distribution Design Supervisor
Supervisor, Distribution Design 

Enclosures

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By: Eric Widman
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VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

By: Daryl Crossman
Daryl Crossman, Manager, R.O.W.
6/4/2020

ORDER FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

May 21, 2020

To the Board of Selectmen
of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: that **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.** be and they are hereby granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated the **21st day of May**

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:-

Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonably straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked--

Plan No. **29271587** Dated **3/24/2020** filed with this order.

There may attached to said poles by said **MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY** not to exceed twenty wires and by said **VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.** not to exceed forty wires and four aerial cables, and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than eighteen feet from the ground.

The following are the public ways or parts of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:--

Elm St

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order to service new customer of 1030 Elm St**

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, held on the _____ day of _____,

Clerk of Selectmen

We hereby certify that on _____, at _____ o'clock, _____ M.
at _____ a public hearing was held on the petition of the
MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC.

for permission to erect the poles, wires, cables, fixtures and connections described in the order
herewith recorded, and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the
time and place of said hearing to each the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding
assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Companies are permitted
to erect poles, wires, cables, fixtures and connections under said order. And that thereupon said
order was duly adopted.

Selectmen of the Town of

Bridgewater, Massachusetts

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a joint location order and certificate of hearing with notice
adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, on the _____ day of
_____, recorded with the records of location orders of said Town,
Book _____, Page _____.

This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or
amendments thereof.

Attest:

Town Clerk

City BRIDGEWATER WR # 29271587
Town of _____
(circle one)

Install 1 SO JO Poles on 1030 ELM ST

(quantity) (circle one) (street name)

Remove _____ SO
(quantity) JO Poles on _____
(circle one) (street name)

SO
Relocate _____ JO Poles on _____
(quantity) (circle one) (street name)

Beginning at a point approximately $\frac{5500}{\text{(distance)}}$ feet $\frac{\text{NORTH}}{\text{(compass heading)}}$ of the centerline

of the intersection of SOPHIAS WAY
(street name)

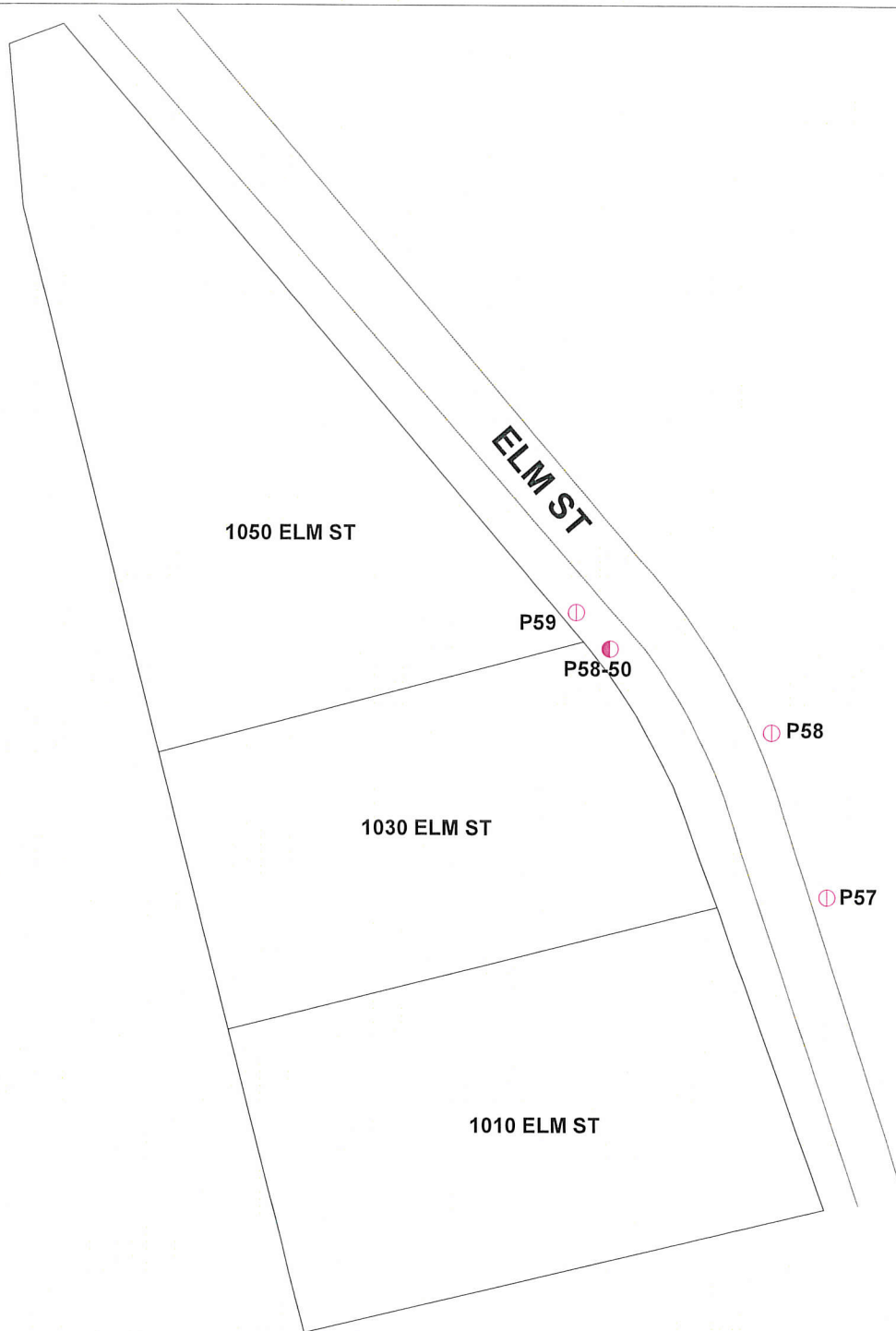
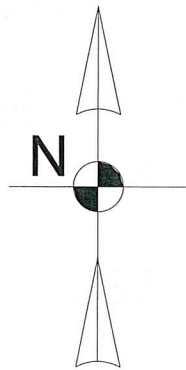
and continuing approximately 0 feet in a direction.
(distance) (compass heading)

Street(s) _____

NATIONAL GRID TO INSTALL NEW INTERMEDIATE POLE 58-50 IN BETWEEN POLE 58 AND POLE 59 IN ORDER TO SERVICE NEW CUSTOMER OF 1030 ELM ST

ENGINEER	SIMON YEUNG
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DATE 3/24/2020



POLE PETITION

nationalgrid
And
Verizon New England, Inc.

Date: 3/16/2020

Work Request Number: 29271587

Sketched By: Simon Yeung

To The: City Of BRIDGEWATER, MA

For Proposed: Pole: 58-50 Location: 1030 ELM ST

● Proposed NGRID Pole Locations

○ Existing NGRID Pole Locations

● Proposed J.O. Pole Locations

○ Existing J.O. Pole Locations

— Proposed Ngrid Anchor and Guy Wire

— Proposed Ngrid Overhead Utilities

— Proposed Ngrid Pole to Pole Guy

DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Order: O-FY20-062

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced	June 23, 2020
First Reading:	June 23, 2020
Second Reading:	July 7, 2020
Amendments Adopted:	
Third Reading:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-FY20-062

ACCEPTANCE OF A GIFT - BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A, states as follows:

“An officer ... of any city or town ... may accept grants or gifts of funds from ... from the commonwealth ... or an agency thereof, ... and may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift ... with the approval of the city manager and city council...;” and

WHEREAS: The Town of Bridgewater has received a financial gift from Bridgewater State University to be expended by the Roadways Department, the Police Department and the Fire Department;

Now, therefore, in accordance with Chapter 44, §53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town Council votes to take the following action:

ORDERED that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept the gift of \$55,000.00 from Bridgewater State University to expend the gift in accordance with stated purpose thereof.

Explanation:

Bridgewater State University has donated monies to be distributed equally between the Fire, Police, and Roadways Departments. These funds may be expended without further appropriation. Acceptance of this gift will allow the town to expend the funds for their stated purpose as part of the University's Municipal Aid initiative with the Town of Bridgewater. Donation of \$55,000 received

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
- Budget & Finance Committee - Finance Committee	6/30/20: Vote 3-0 recommend approval 6/30/20: Vote 5-0 recommend approval.

ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING.



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Order: O-FY20-063

Introduced By:	Town Manager
Date Introduced	June 23, 2020
First Reading:	June 23, 2020
Second Reading:	July 7, 2020
Amendments Adopted:	
Third Reading:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Order O-FY20-063

ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION - CENTRAL SQUARE

WHEREAS: Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, §53A, states as follows:

“An officer ... of any city or town ... may accept grants or gifts of funds from ... from the commonwealth ... or an agency thereof, ... and may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift ... with the approval of the city manager and city council...;” and

WHEREAS: The Town of Bridgewater has received a financial gift from Cecilia Braxton to be expended by the Parks and Recreation Department for maintenance of Bridgewater Parks.

Now, therefore, in accordance with Chapter 44, §53A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Town Council votes to take the following action:

ORDERED that the Town Council of Bridgewater, Massachusetts in Town Council assembled vote to accept the donated gift of \$1,000.00.

Explanation:

Two Donations of \$500 received for the maintenance of the Town's Central Square Park and Recreation

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
- Budget & Finance Committee - Finance Committee	6/30/20: Vote 3-0 recommend approval. 6/30/20: Vote 5-0 recommend approval.

ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING.



Bridgewater Town Council

In Town Council, Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Council Resolution: R-FY20-010

Introduced By:	Councilors Fitzgibbons and Gallagher
Date Introduced	June 23, 2020
First Reading:	June 23, 2020
Second Reading:	July 7, 2020
Amendments Adopted:	
Date Adopted:	
Date Effective:	

Resolution R-FY20-010

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING COVID-19 STATE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, if schools are to re-open this fall in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is the responsibility of each school district to do so safely and responsibly; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the state to ensure that each school district is able to pay for the enormous additional staffing, transportation and material expenses required to do this; and

WHEREAS, the state cannot expect mandatory COVID-19 safety guidelines to be followed without also ensuring that each school district has the funds required to implement these guidelines; therefore, let it be

RESOLVED: that the state must guarantee every school district full reimbursement for whatever COVID-19 expenses are required to follow state mandates.

We must ensure a statewide school re-opening that is safe, responsible and equitable.

THERE CAN BE NO UNFUNDED MANDATES FOR COVID-19.

Committee Referrals and Dispositions:

Referral(s)	Disposition(s)
• This measure was not referred to any committee. 14 days has elapsed per Section XVIII of the Council Rules & Procedures, therefore this measure may be finally considered this evening.	

ROLL CALL VOTE – REQUIRES MAJORITY OF THOSE PRESENT AND VOTING.