

MANAGER’S CONFERENCE MINUTES
Portsmouth City Council Meeting on
August 24, 2020 – 7:14 p.m.

Members present:

Sean Dunne	1 st Ward
Charlotte Gordon	2 nd Ward
Kevin E. Johnson	3 rd Ward
Andrew McManus	4 th Ward
Edwin Martell	5 th Ward
Thomas K. Lowe	6 th Ward (Absent)

Also present was City Manager Sam Sutherland, Solicitor John Haas, City Clerk Diana Ratliff and Auditor M. Trent Williams was absent.

1. **Increase Appropriation Service Department Roof Replacement** **CM-20-52**

Manager Sutherland stated that the bids came in higher than he anticipated and needed an additional appropriation for the roof replacement at the Service Department. He would also like the readings to be waived so that they could get started immediately. The roof is in really bad shape and has been for many years.

Vice President Dunne motioned to adopt alternative #1.

There were no questions or comments: **VOTE: 5 Ayes – 0 Nays**

2. **Establishment of Portsmouth Arts Commission** **CM-20-53**

Manager Sutherland asked for authorization for the commission to be established. Councilman Martell stated that Council had discussed this in a previous meeting and he would answer any question that anyone had and he clarified that the jobs referred to in the legislation would be to maintain and seek out individuals who would continue with the Stars on the Floodwall. He has already been contacted by someone to be considered to be added to the stars. He felt that it was very important to have public art displayed in the City.

Vice President Dunne motioned to adopt alternative #1.

There were no questions or comments: **VOTE: 5 Ayes – 0 Nays**

3. **Acceptance of Dedication Plat Multi-Use Path** **CM 20-54**

Manager Sutherland stated that this would be to accept the dedication plat for the Multi-Use path. He said this involved all of the property encompassed by the Multi-Use Path behind the University. He knew that this had been a long time coming and that a lot of title work had to be done and this would help to move the project forward. He also requested that the readings be waived because it needed to be recorded by September 21st.

Vice President Dunne motioned to adopt alternative #1.

There were no questions or comments: **VOTE: 5 Ayes – 0 Nays**

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion by Vice President Dunne.

Submitted by: *Diana Ratliff* – City Clerk