

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

AUGUSTA, MAINE

April 22, 2004

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held Tuesday, April 20, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, City Center.

All members of the Council were present except Councilors Veilleux and Davis; Mayor Dowling presided.

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING

056 BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, section 73 Schedule of no parking, restricted parking areas, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended be further amended by deleting the following:

Sewall Street:

No parking on either side from Western Avenue south to a point two hundred seventy-two (272) feet south of Western Avenue.

No parking on the west side from Capitol Street northerly for three hundred seventy-five (375) feet.

No parking on the east side from Capitol Street northerly for four hundred eighty-five (485) feet.

Parking shall be limited to one (1) hour on the west side from a point two hundred seventy-two (272) feet south of Western Avenue to a point three hundred seventy-five (375) feet north of Capitol Street.

That Chapter 18, section 73 Schedule of no parking, restricted parking areas, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended be further amended by adding the following:

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS (Con't)HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING (Con't)

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Sewall Street:

No parking on the west side from Western Avenue south to a point three hundred ten (310) feet south of Western Avenue.

No parking on the west side from Capitol Street northerly for four hundred (400) feet.

Parking shall be limited to two (2) hours on the west side from a point three hundred ten (310) feet south of Western Avenue to a point four hundred (400) feet north of Capitol Street.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESSHAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

066 WHEREAS, Le Club Calumet, a highly respected and popular fraternal and cultural organization with a long history of dedication to the Franco - American community and the City of Augusta, has chosen to honor Roger Katz with its 2004 Citizen of the Year Award, and

WHEREAS, said award represents a very special distinction, past recipients of which have included many of Augusta's most accomplished and admired residents, and

WHEREAS, Roger Katz has, through a lifetime of accomplishment and service to his community, clearly earned the "Citizen of the Year" distinction awarded him, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the City of Augusta acknowledge and endorse Le Club Calumet's action.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Council of the City of Augusta do hereby commend Le Club Calumet on its selection of Roger Katz for Citizen of the Year and do wholeheartedly congratulate Roger Katz for the award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Council do also

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)HAS BEEN READ AND TABLED (Con't)

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take notice of and do sincerely thank Roger Katz for the many important contributions that he has and continues to make to his home community.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

067 WHEREAS, The City of Augusta has suffered for years the adverse impacts of a federal policy that requires heavy trucks to exit the Maine Turnpike at Western Avenue in Augusta and travel through secondary streets in order to proceed to the north and east, and

WHEREAS, the risks to the public's safety posed by this policy are great and the costs to Augusta in highway maintenance and repair are also great, and

WHEREAS, Senator Susan Collins and Senator Olympia Snowe and Representative Tom Allen and Representative Michael Michaud have worked tirelessly to effect a change in federal policy that will permit heavy truck traffic to bypass downtown Augusta and remain on Interstate 95 to the new Third Bridge exit, effectively resolving the public safety and cost burden problems facing the Capital City, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Maine Congressional Delegation have recently notified the City of Augusta of their success in securing relief in this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Council of Augusta do hereby extend their heartfelt thanks to the Maine Congressional Delegation, and their dedicated staff members, for their successful efforts to address this serious matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Council do hereby commend all of the members of the delegation for the exemplary manner in which they have cooperated in this effort to the benefit of all who use Maine's highway system, particularly in the Capital area.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

- 058 ORDERED, That minutes of the City Council meetings held April 5 and April 12, 2004, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.
- Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund
- Nays: 0
- 059 ORDERED, That the City Council accept various donations for the new Cony High School in an amount totaling \$5,800.00, and to accept a gift of stock valued at \$15,370.90.
- Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund
- Nays: 0
- 060 ORDERED, That Roll of Accounts #9 for the month of March 2004 in the amount of \$3,638,711.03 be approved.
- Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund
- Nays: 0
- 061 ORDERED, That the report regarding the City's financial position through March 2004 be presented and accepted upon presentation.
- Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund
- Nays: 0
- 062 ORDERED, That the following be reappointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals:
- Peter M. Fortunato (full member) - term expires March 17, 2007
 - Tim Dennett (full member) - term expires May 18, 2007
- Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund
- Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED (Con't)

- 063 ORDERED, That the following be appointed to the ad hoc Community and Social Services Committee:
- Rob Gordon will replace Rick Kargas as Chair
- Mary Mayo-Wescott and Patricia Hutchinson to fill vacancies

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

- 064 ORDERED, That Donna R. Doore be reappointed to the Kennebec River Rail Trail Committee; said term to expire on March 19, 2007.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

- 065 ORDERED, That Richard Duncan and Gautrey Musk be reappointed to the Planning Board; said terms to expire May 18, 2007.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Doore, Foster,
Lerman, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell
City Clerk