

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PEABODY CITY COUNCIL  
DECEMBER 8, 2020**

PRESENT COUNCILLORS: WELTON, SASLAW, MOUTSOULAS, GOULD, CHAREST,  
MANNING-MARTIN, TURCO, O'NEILL, MELVILLE, MCGINN, AND ROSSIGNOLL

ABSENT COUNCILLORS:

COUNCILLOR ROSSIGNOLL – OPEN MEETING LAW STATEMENT: THIS MEETING IS BEING  
TELEVISED LIVE ON CABLE CHANNEL 9 AND BEING TAPED BY PEABODY ACCESS TV, AND  
ALSO BEING RECORDED BY OUR CITY COUNCIL STENOGRAPHER.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to conduct a public hearing to review and adopt the Fiscal 2021  
Tax Classification.

P517-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO receive the following communications from His Honor the  
Mayor and refer to this hearing:

- a) Tax Classification Hearing – To adopt the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each  
class of real and personal property for Fiscal Year 2021;
- b) Acceptance of Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 – optional additional real estate exemptions  
effective for Fiscal 2021 tax bills;
- c) PowerPoint presentation by His Honor the Mayor regarding 2021 Tax Rate Classification  
Hearing;
- d) Classification Tax Allocation – Fiscal Year 2021;
- e) Authorization for amortization of FY2020 deficits;
- f) Transfer of Funds – FY 2021 Operating Budget – Tax Levy; \$1,500,000.00
- g) Transfer of Funds - Reserve for FY 2021 Budget; \$78,000.00;
- Late 1) Appropriation – Ride Share Transportation Enhancement Trust; \$31,179.70;

And to further MOVE THAT Item H Transfer of Funds – Cable Fund Expense; \$214,352.83 be taken out  
of the Finance Committee and referred to this hearing.  
(Carried 11-0)

P518-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO adopt Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988 – Optional  
Additional Real Estate Exemptions for 2021, as set forth in Clauses 17, 17C, 17C 1/2, 17D, 22, 22A, 22B,  
22C, 22D, 22E, 37, 37A, 41, 41B, and 41C of Section 5 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws.  
(Carried 11-0)

P519-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO approve the following appropriation, as submitted by His  
Honor the Mayor, under date of December 2, 2020:

<b><u>FROM:</u></b>		<b><u>TO:</u></b>	
Unreserved Fund Balance (Free Cash)		FY 2021 Operating Budget – Tax Levy	
100-35901	\$1,500,000.00	100-39201	\$1,500,000.00

(Carried 11-0)

P520-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO approve the following appropriation, as submitted by His  
Honor the Mayor, under date of December 2, 2020:

<b><u>FROM:</u></b>		<b><u>TO:</u></b>	
Unreserved Fund Balance (Free Cash)		Reserve for FY 2021 Budget	
100-0000-35901	\$78,000.00	430-0000-31102	\$78,000.00

(Carried 9-2; Councillor Manning-Martin and Councillor Turco opposed)

P521-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Peabody to adopt a Residential Factor of .827082 for Fiscal Year 2021 (175% CIP).  
(Carried 11-0)

P522-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO adopt the Deficit Amortization Schedule for Fiscal Year 2020 deficits to defer up to \$1,221,108.15 for Fiscal Year 2021 in accordance with the details attached in a communication from His Honor the Mayor dated December 3, 2020.  
(Carried 11-0)

P523-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Peabody not to grant a discount for Open Space.  
(Carried 11-0)

P524-20 COUCILLOR MCGINN – BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Peabody not to adopt a residential exemption.  
(Carried 11-0)

P525-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – BE IT ORDERED by the City Council of the City of Peabody not to adopt a small commercial exemption.  
(Carried 11-0)

P526-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO approve the following transfer, as submitted by His Honor the Mayor, under date of November 12, 2020:

**FROM:**

**TO:**

Receipts Reserved Cable Fund  
270-0000-33017

\$214,352.83

Cable Fund Expense  
270-0000-53007

\$214,352.83

(Carried 11-0)

P527-20 COUNCILLOR MCGINN – MOVE TO approve the recommendation of His Honor the Mayor to utilize the Ride Share Transportation Enhancement Trust account 250-0000-35835 in the amount of \$31,179.70 to be targeted to serve as matching funds for the Shared Streets Grant that the Community Development Department was recently awarded in the amount of \$210,571, as requested in a communication from His Honor the Mayor dated November 6, 2020.  
(Carried 11-0)

MOVED: MOVE TO adjourn. Special meeting of the Peabody City Council adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

SUBMITTED TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, DECEMBER 9, 2020  
RETURNED BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, DECEMBER 9, 2020

ATTEST:   
(Allyson M. Danforth, City Clerk)