

**Minutes of the Montpelier City Council Meeting**  
**May 27, 2020 6:30pm**  
**Videoconference**

In attendance: Councilors Jay Ericson, Jack McCullough, Dan Richardson, Conor Casey, Dona Bate, Lauren Hierl, as well as Mayor Anne Watson. City Clerk John Odum acted as secretary.

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The meeting was called to order at 6:32.

- 2020-165. Without objection, the proposed agenda passed by unanimous consent.
- 2020-167. Councilor McCullough moved approval of the consent agenda, Councilor Ericson seconded. After brief discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- 2020-168. Councilor Casey moved to appoint Frances Kousky to the Homelessness Task Force Councilor Ericson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- 2020-169. Cathleen Gent gave the CVSWMD household hazardous waste update. Discussion followed without formal action.
- 2020-170. A MA-MDC Cooperation discussion with Sarah Jarvis, Dan Groberg, and Bill Kaplan was held with no formal action taken.
- 2020-171. A discussion of multiple COVID-19 related issues was led by the Assistant City Manager. Councilor Bate moved to have a meeting a week from today at 6:30 and direct staff to draft language to require masks. Councilor McCullough seconded. After brief further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.
- Comments were previously from Andrew Brewer and Wes Hamilton, and were received by Adrienne Brownlee regarding emergency downtown business allowances. Councilor Richardson moved the staff come up with new language for revised parking ordinance standards and guidance for parklets for the 2020 season. Councilor Bate seconded and the motion carried unanimously after brief further discussion.
- Comments were received on the possible closure of Langdon Street from Andrew Brewer and Kevin Ellis. Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Casey, moved to direct staff to develop plans for closing Langdon Street along the lines that were discussed this evening, the council options. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2020-172. The Ordinance Chapter 13 discussion included Dan Dickerson and Alec Ellsworth. Councilor McCullough moved to hold the ordinance over for a third reading. Councilor Richardson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- 2020-173. The 5 Home Farm Way update consisted of brief comments and no formal action.

- 2020-175. Council Reports: Councilor Bate called for breaks during meetings and said the J Morgans parklet looked good. Councilor Casey reported on a chalk artist project. Councilor Ericson noted Green Up Day and thanked everyone who made it happen. Councilor Richardson noted complaints from constituents about motorcycle noise. Councilor Hierl expressed her desire for an election update.
- 2020-176. The Mayor reported on a possible grant for the energy ordinance group.
- 2020-178. The City Manager thanked DPW and the Police Department for the class of 2020 banners
- 2020-179. In regards to the Police Chief selection, Councilor McCullough moved jack moved the council go into executive session under Title I, VSA §313(a)(3). Councilor Bate seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Without objection, the Council returned to open session and adjourned by unanimous consent.