

City of Saco, Maine – “Unofficial Unedited YouTube Transcript”
of the October 5, 2020 Saco City Council Meeting

greetings and welcome all to the saco 00:36 city council meeting for monday october 00:38 5th 2020. 00:40 call this meeting to order at 6 31 pm 00:44 let the record show that all the 00:46 counselors are present 00:47 including the city administrator and 00:50 then 00:51 i would ask all of you to join us in 00:54 allegiance if all of eyes to 00:58 city administration 01:01 [Music] 01:02 that's where the flag is 01:05 i pledge allegiance to the of the united 01:09 states of america 01:11 public for which it stands one nation 01:15 god indivisible 01:19 and just 01:27 thank you everybody uh 01:31 with to item four 01:35 weeks agenda is 01:42 general section let's 01:45 let everybody know that they're the sako 01:48 school board 01:49 scheduled for october 21st this is to 01:52 take place at the september meeting that 01:54 onto the agendas uh that 01:58 so we can start the process of getting 02:00 ready for the next budget cycle 02:02 so with that that is uh we will be 02:04 joining them 02:06 for this first one uh and their 02:08 wednesday 02:09 the 21st um school board 02:12 meeting the other thing 02:15 i would like to make everyone aware of 02:17 is uh 02:18 that yesterday kicked off the annual 02:20 fire prevention week 02:22 with the theme of serve up fire safety 02:25 in the kitchen 02:26 according to the national prevention 02:28 associ national fire prevention 02:30 association or nfpa 02:33 cooking is the leading cause of home 02:34 fires and home fire injuries in the 02:36 united states 02:38 almost half 44 percent of reported home 02:41 fires started in the kitchen 02:43 two-thirds 66 percent of home cooking 02:46 fires start 02:47 with the ignition of food or other 02:50 cooking materials the leading cause of 02:52 fires in the kitchen is 02:53 unattended cooking remember to stay in 02:55 the kitchen and remain aware 02:57 when you're using the stovetop if you 02:58 are using the oven check it regularly 03:01 and stay in your home 03:02 other important actions keeping a lid on 03:05 nearby 03:07 keeping a lid nearby to carefully slide 03:09 over the top of a pan should it ignite 03:12 keeping any combustibles such as oven 03:14 mitts towels and utensils 03:15 away from the stove and 03:24 and prevent burns by creating a kid-free 03:26 zone 03:27 uh at least three feet around the stove 03:29 in areas where hot food and drink is 03:31 prepared or carried 03:33 so thank you very much for that 03:37 we are now up to item five committee 03:40 correspondents from council 03:41 any committee correspondents from 03:43 council 03:45 councilor macphail thank you mr mayor 03:48 um just wanted to let everyone know that 03:50 in september we had our first kickoff 03:53 meeting 03:53 for the newly formed coastal resiliency 03:56 committee 03:57 we were joined by the wastewater 03:59 resource department and members of the 04:01 epa 04:02 and we are working on getting our goals 04:06 looking forward to starting for our next 04:08 meeting and getting all of that going 04:11 and also the dyer library book sale is 04:13 still 04:14 ongoing until further notice 04:17 that is going to run during regular 04:19 business hours of the library 04:21 and there are still plenty of books 04:23 hardcovers 04:25 children's antique books dvds cds 04:28 available 04:29 so no appointments necessary at this 04:31 time you can just stop by during regular 04:33 business hours 04:34 and stock up on some holiday reading and 04:37 also the museum 04:41 the museum store is also open with lots 04:44 of seasonal gifts now as well 04:45 and their hours are posted on the 04:47 facebook page for the dyer library 04:50 um so it's definitely worth a stop in to 04:52 get some early holiday shopping and 04:54 check out the beautiful displays 04:58 thank you council macphail councilman 04:59 thorne 05:01 thank you mr mayor a little update from 05:04 transit uh the 05:07 new turnpike coaches will be arriving 05:10 any day now uh they will be uh 05:13 retrofitted with the proper electronics 05:15 and communications gear 05:17 and we're home the road serving our 05:21 zoom uh in the 05:24 early november we will 05:28 just started back using the electronic 05:30 fare system in the last few days 05:32 uh you can use a smartphone or a smart 05:36 card 05:39 pay your fares that way on the bus to 05:41 eliminate the 05:43 cash if at all possible and then thirdly 05:46 uh we're going to be installing the 05:50 electric charging stations 05:52 it looks like behind the sacco 05:54 transportation center 05:55 for the electric buses that will be 05:57 arriving toward the end of next calendar 05:59 year 06:02 the uh the footprint 06:14 respondents to council 06:19 okay seeing none moving on to item 06:23 six of the agenda public comments city 06:25 administrator kanrath do we have any 06:26 public comment tonight 06:28 mr mayor thank you 06:32 uh and at this time uh councilor purdy 06:36 you did indicate that uh you received 06:38 some public comment 06:41 yes mr mayor thank you okay i just want 06:43 to make sure that all the counselors 06:45 remember that the document that we were 06:47 put out 06:48 early on when we started via zoom 06:50 meetings

06:51 directed all public comment to go to the 06:53 city administrator 06:55 prior to the meeting so i just want to 06:56 make sure we get back to doing that 06:58 and have all the public comment if 07:01 they're not going to be 07:02 here to provide their comment public 07:04 comment that they go forward to the city 07:06 administrator 07:06 in the future but go ahead councilor 07:08 purdy 07:10 this is an email from nicole tift um 07:14 in support of the uh of the uh 07:18 sms soccer belly land trust uh 07:21 land purchase says my name is nicole 07:24 tift and i live on rocky hill road in 07:26 sacco and own a woodland 07:28 that starts at the headwaters of the 07:29 non-such river 07:32 volunteer with sacco valley land trust 07:35 we've been 07:35 working with andrew firsch on the 07:38 potential sale of land 07:39 on the non-such with the sebage 7 and 07:42 which abouts two parcels that the land 07:44 already 07:45 that the land trust already owns we are 07:47 working on a public walking trail 07:49 crossing our properties and hopefully 07:51 expanding the trail with these 07:53 with this new purchase stretch of the 07:56 non-such 07:57 close to the scarborough line with 07:58 cascading water and a still meandering 08:01 stream in that area 08:03 scarborough land trust also on their 08:06 side of 08:06 the line and it has been a long dream 08:09 term dream of mine to take 08:11 to make a walking trail along the none 08:13 such linking 08:15 these three properties and perhaps 08:17 beginning off my 08:19 on such headwaters off rocky hill road 08:22 if there is any possibility for the city 08:24 of sacco to help 08:25 it would be of great benefit to the 08:27 walkers and nature lovers of soccer 08:30 i also have another one uh oh that's 08:33 sign nicole theft uh 08:35 the co-chair of the sacco valley line 08:38 trust 08:38 i also have another one from susan 08:42 here of the sacco valley land trust she 08:44 didn't ask it to be right into the 08:45 record but i will forward it to 08:47 the city administrator to add in 08:53 thank you councillor purdy 08:56 any further 09:00 okay now we will move on to uh the 09:03 public comment from the public 09:05 again we just asked that you state your 09:08 name and address for the record 09:10 um and please keep the comments to three 09:14 minutes 09:15 if using the zoom platform uh it is star 09:19 nine to one mute if you have a cellular 09:20 phone 09:21 other than that you please use the 09:23 raised hand feature 09:25 of the zoom platform and you'll be uh 09:27 unmuted to speak to the council 09:29 again for those on a telephone 09:33 star 9. up first we have melissa field 09:44 melissa you should be able to speak 09:47 please go ahead and 09:48 unmute and provide your comments to the 10:02 council 10:12 mayor doyle this is andrew there it's 10:15 indicating to me that 10:16 her zoom is too old so we could promote 10:18 her to speak 10:20 yeah i just promoted her i just promoted 10:22 her to 10:23 a panelist melissa go ahead and unmute 10:26 and provide your comments to the council 10:28 again please state your name and 10:29 address for the record yeah i'm melissa 10:33 field and i live at 160 bradley street 10:36 in sacco 10:37 and i'm also a member of the 10:39 conservation commission 10:41 and i'm here just to support the 10:46 use of the um open space fund to support 10:49 the 10:50 students at the sacco middle school for 10:52 their purchase of the land 10:54 that was mentioned earlier um and the 10:56 reason why 10:58 the conservation commission has pledged 11:00 some money to support this as well 11:01 but we were hoping that the open space 11:03 fund would also be available 11:04 for this i think their goal is to reach 11:06 70 000 and they're not 11:08 there yet um and i think though one of 11:10 the reasons why we wanted to 11:12 really promote this is that um you know 11:14 we wanted young people to understand and 11:16 learn how 11:17 conservation happens in a in a small 11:19 town 11:20 as ours and um hoping that 11:24 if they're successful and they're able 11:25 to put together a nice trail 11:27 they'll learn about the whole process of 11:29 conservation and maybe encourage them in 11:31 the future to 11:32 perhaps even become part of the 11:34 conservation commission which would be a 11:35 wonderful thing 11:36 so um so anyways so that's that's all i 11:38 have to say 11:39 thank you you melissa 11:53 up next we have zac arsenal 11:57 zach you've been unmuted to speak to the 11:59 council please provide your name 12:01 and address for the record 12:05 so hi i am zachary arsenault i live in 12:09 on 166 mckinney road 12:13 um so first off i just want to 12:16 thank you for passing the climate 12:19 emergency 12:20 declaration um it means a lot to me 12:24 and probably a lot of other people 12:28 um it's just great to see people 12:32 caring about that sort of stuff and yeah 12:35 thank you for that 12:36 so um i've actually been working 12:40 on this project um for 12:43 quite a while now and it is 12:46 a thing that is very important to me 12:50 um i think one because 12:53 we need to start saving places where 12:57 certain plant and animal species can 13:01 thrive without the effects of 13:04 humans and because 13:08 um we we do affect a lot of 13:13 nature and i think we should try and 13:16 save some spaces for them to thrive 13:21 also i think nature is beautiful we 13:24 should be 13:25 see it as it is and i think the 13:29 adding of a trail in that area would be 13:32 great 13:33

also i think that 13:36 just actually i 13:39 think i'm done so thank you i hope you 13:44 can help the 13:47 help this so thank you 13:51 thank you zach 13:58 up next we have abigail elizabeth 14:02 been allowed to speak i'm an address for 14:04 the wreck back 14:06 for the record to counsel 14:11 everyone hear me i can hear you 14:14 okay great hi i'm abigail lazza i'm a 14:17 student at sms and a resident of dayton 14:20 on goodwin 14:20 mills road i'm here to support the 14:23 conservation project as well 14:25 i'm in eighth grade and i've been 14:27 working on this project heavily for 14:28 about a year now 14:30 through this project i have been able to 14:31 learn so much 14:33 outstanding members and in the soccer 14:36 community 14:37 i realized that even just starting this 14:39 project 14:41 informed bond but it's still just the 14:45 beginning 14:46 on this project i can see great 14:48 potential within soccer 14:50 the trails could help so many people 14:51 animals and our planet 14:53 at this point i've dedicated so much of 14:55 myself to this conservation project 14:57 and this news from the open space fund 14:59 will truly change everything for the 15:01 better 15:02 i believe with all my heart in this 15:03 project and i simply can't imagine a 15:05 world without it being confronting 15:08 playing roles 15:09 and i would also like to thank you guys 15:11 again for 15:13 passing the climate emergency and this 15:15 would be a great step 15:16 improving your dedication to our natural 15:19 planet as well 15:21 thank you thank you abigail 15:28 up next we have pam tift 15:32 pam you've been on muted to speak to the 15:34 council 15:35 please state your name and address for 15:36 the record and provide your comments 15:41 hello hello hi 15:45 uh actually it's it's not pam tift it's 15:47 nickel tiff 15:49 okay nick thank you um 15:52 thank you tim purdy for reading my 15:53 letter and 15:55 i uh would like to add that 15:58 um for for me 16:02 uh i've lived on rocky hill road since 16:04 uh 16:06 1991. 16:08 i purchased the land across the street 16:10 which actually 16:11 i have a tractor trail uh i harvest some 16:15 timber 16:15 and firewood and 16:19 i it goes down to the headwater 16:22 uh swamps of the non-such and 16:26 and i've strategized about how we could 16:29 possibly make us 16:30 a a trail along this wonderful 16:33 uh it's it's i guess it's 16:36 in a area where it's not really house 16:40 houses and it's as quite unspoiled 16:44 there's a 16:44 magnificent marsh on it um 16:47 that's totally hidden from everybody um 16:52 and there's a snowmobile trail that goes 16:54 across it in the 16:56 in the wintertime but also scarborough 17:00 has got about 17:00 five or six pieces along the non-such so 17:03 the grand scheme 17:05 would be to link all of these properties 17:08 either with ease 17:09 trail easements or actual ownership 17:13 um and put something together 17:16 that does scarborough sacco 17:20 uh surrounding community could could uh 17:23 make use of 17:24 and um unfortunately 17:27 our land trust is not heavily endowed 17:30 with a lot of money and 17:31 we are actually approached by these 17:32 owners probably 10 years ago to purchase 17:35 this property and we didn't have any 17:36 money then 17:38 and we didn't have enough money now and 17:40 andrew 17:41 uh approached us with uh 17:45 that's this uh 17:48 desire of his group to um 17:52 purchase a piece of conservation land 17:54 and this popped up in my mind and they 17:56 were all 17:57 very enthusiastic about it for good 17:59 reason 18:00 we we did a sidewalk and and andrew 18:04 uh was quite excited about it and 18:07 the owners are actually very hospitable 18:09 as well so 18:11 um but the the rub 18:14 is the money at this point we've put 18:17 some grants together we put 18:19 um some commitments together but uh 18:22 we're well 18:22 short of the amount of money we need 18:26 um so i don't know it's it's a grand 18:28 scheme of mine i'm 71 years old 18:31 i don't know if it's ever gonna happen 18:34 but 18:34 uh it's it's been a 30-year 18:38 desire of mine to have something like 18:40 this so i'm quite excited about it 18:42 personally 18:48 thank you very much nick yeah thank you 18:50 for your consideration 18:53 and i did send it to brian but i might 18:56 let her i don't know if you got it or 18:57 not but 18:58 i did send it to you i'm a little bit 19:01 tech 19:01 uh my my wife is helping me with this 19:05 doing things 19:08 we're all learning nick we're all 19:10 learning in this uh 19:12 this crazy pandemic so thank you very 19:14 much 19:15 okay and we'll see what happens later on 19:18 in the meeting 19:19 all right thank you thank you take care 19:23 okay 19:30 is there any other public comment please 19:32 use the raised hand feature of the 19:34 zoom platform and you'll be unmuted to 19:37 speak to the council 19:38 again for those using the phone please 19:40 use star 19:41 nine uh first uh next up is 19:44 heather lehmann kenyon you've been 19:47 allowed to speak 19:49 please go ahead and unmute and then 19:50 provide your comments to the council and 19:52 remember to 19:53 state your name and address for the 19:54 record please 19:58 good evening thank you for taking my 20:00 comment my name is heather lehman kenyon 20:02 i live at 186 payne road in scarborough 20:07 i am commenting in support of the 20:11 conservation uh 20:15 land that the soccer middle school 20:17 students are 20:19 attempting to acquire i

wanted to offer 20:22 my comments 20:23 in a little bit of a different avenue 20:25 i'm an environmental law student at 20:26 maine law 20:27 and i could inundate you with 20:31 a lot of data on the benefits 20:34 surrounding conservation initiatives but 20:38 i wanted to offer a little bit of a 20:39 different 20:40 perspective we can 20:43 of course look at this in a vacuum and 20:46 how this is going to affect 20:49 um these this 20:52 land area you know now and in the in the 20:55 near future but 20:56 i wanted to bring up a study that was 20:58 recently published 21:00 um by 21:03 the society for research and child 21:05 development and it was on 21:07 spoke it focused specifically on young 21:10 adult civic engagement 21:12 and so if we really look at what these 21:14 young people are doing 21:17 and compare it with the benefits that 21:20 this 21:21 study 21:24 came out with i think that 21:28 we would be well advised to support our 21:31 students in this project 21:33 by preparing these youth to feel 21:36 agency over their own circumstances 21:40 i mean we set them up to write a whole 21:41 new narrative 21:43 it builds community it fulfills social 21:45 needs it changes policies and ensures a 21:47 healthy democracy 21:49 so i just wanted to encourage the 21:51 council to 21:52 yes of course look at the in benefits 21:55 environmentally 21:56 but also to look at the benefits 21:58 socially for the sako community 22:01 thank you thank you heather 22:12 uh up next we have uh becky a 22:16 uh becky you've been allowed to speak go 22:18 ahead and unmute 22:19 and please provide your comments to the 22:21 council and then remember 22:23 uh three minutes and state your name and 22:24 address for the record please 22:27 hi my name is becky anderson i 22:29 appreciate you allowing me to 22:31 to speak this evening i am a teacher at 22:34 sako middle school 22:35 and i have had the privilege of working 22:37 with the students who worked so 22:39 tirelessly on the project to conserve 22:41 land 22:42 i just want to add that a vote to 22:45 contribute or to promise a contribution 22:49 from the open space fund tonight 22:52 would open up other grant and money 22:53 raising opportunities for these students 22:56 so while you may look at the amount 22:58 they've raised so far 23:00 in addition to the amount asked for 23:02 tonight um 23:04 there are other things in place that a 23:06 contribution 23:07 um promised from the town would um 23:10 would allow for the students to further 23:13 pursue 23:14 um and i just ask that you'd be mindful 23:16 that of that as i know 23:17 um our economy is is not in a great 23:21 place right now and there's some fear 23:23 around that 23:24 um but a little bit from you will go a 23:27 long way in the end 23:28 that's all thank you 23:31 thank you becky 23:36 any further public comment again if 23:39 you're using 23:40 uh if you're using a computer or tablet 23:43 please use a raised hand feature of the 23:45 zoom platform 23:46 and if you're calling in via phone 23:49 please go ahead 23:50 and hit star nine 23:53 last call for public comment 23:58 okay moving on from public comment 24:04 now up to item seven of the agenda there 24:06 are no minutes to approve 24:08 so we're now at uh item eight the 24:10 consent agenda we have two 24:12 items item b massage therapist license 24:15 application for jill denison 24:17 and then item b application for solid 24:19 waste permit 24:20 cassella doing business as pine tree 24:22 waste services 24:24 and bvi waste industries is 24:28 is there a motion to approve the agenda 24:32 motion to approve the consent agenda 24:35 promotion's been made by councilman 24:37 thorn is there a second 24:42 second second by councilor macphail 24:46 uh any discussion any amendments 24:52 as seeing no counselor seeking 24:55 recognition 24:56 a roll call vote on the consent agenda 24:59 counselor archer hi councilor purdy 25:06 yes councillor gunn 25:09 yes councillor copeland 25:13 yes councilwoman thorne yes 25:17 councilor macphail yes councillor 25:20 johnson 25:21 yes motion passes 7-0 on the consent 25:24 agenda 25:25 thank you moving on to item 25:29 nine which is the action items we have 25:32 item a 25:32 extended outdoor retail and restaurant 25:35 operations 25:36 which was a coveted 19 temporary policy 25:40 i think we have that 25:45 counselor purdy 25:48 yes on june 1st 2020 the council 25:51 approved an outdoor retail and 25:52 restaurant operations policy to help 25:55 businesses through the kobit 19 pandemic 25:58 the policy was set to expire on november 26:00 2020 26:01 local businesses may benefit from one 26:04 additional month of 26:05 outdoor operations this proposal extends 26:07 the temporary policy through december 26:09 1st 2020. 26:11 this policy is intended to allow 26:13 restaurants and retailers in sako to 26:15 expand their operations outdoors during 26:17 the kobit 19 26:18 pandemic this will help businesses to 26:21 remain open and serve the public safely 26:23 and in accordance with the social 26:24 distancing requirements 26:26 and other other federal state and local 26:29 requirements 26:30 businesses who take advantage of these 26:32 temporary changes must follow 26:34 all items required as part of the 26:37 state's 26:38 applicable covid19 prevention checklist 26:41 in order to safeguard public health and 26:44 continue to mitigate the spread of 26:46 global 19. 26:48 we had ordered

that the city council 26:50 extends the outdoor retail 26:52 and restaurant operations cobia 19 26:55 temporary policy 26:56 as outlined in the economic development 26:59 specialist memo dated may 28 27:01 2020. i move to approve the order 27:04 second 27:08 okay item was uh motioned by council of 27:10 purdue second by councilor copeland 27:13 uh any discussion mr mayor 27:16 city administrator kanrath thank you mr 27:18 mayor let me just cut into first just 27:20 two uh things i wanted to add to that 27:21 number one 27:22 uh i just want to say our public works 27:24 department is supportive of this 27:26 um director fox has said that we're 27:28 we're totally fine to keep the jersey 27:30 barriers in place through the month of 27:31 november 27:32 obviously once we get uh there's gonna 27:35 be more interest in removing those 27:37 winter weather so uh public works is 27:40 fully in support of this 27:41 and second i just wanted to add that 27:44 with the third day extension we don't 27:45 envision 27:46 uh businesses have go and seek the 27:49 necessary permits to participate in this 27:52 we would just be extending this by 30 27:53 days and those permits would stay in 27:56 place 27:57 that's all thank you thank you city 27:59 administrator kanrath council archer 28:02 yeah yes thank you mr mayor um i'm 28:05 obviously for 28:05 pushing us another month um serving on 28:08 the chamber and things like that it's 28:09 something we need to do support our 28:11 businesses 28:12 um and this is more of a request a 28:13 proactive request is i do have a concern 28:16 that when we start to get cold we're 28:18 going to have those portable heaters out 28:20 on the road and i'm 28:21 i'm not an expert in the fire um 28:24 regulations and things like that but i 28:26 do think that some of these fire heaters 28:28 that are on our sideways 28:29 sidewalks will be um 28:32 potentially an issue and i just wanted 28:34 to be proactive and let's see if we can 28:35 troubleshoot that now before we 28:37 start having issues in the future um as 28:39 we know the 28:40 the cold is coming the winter is coming 28:45 thank you council archer councillor 28:46 johnston 28:48 thank you um yeah i'm along the same 28:51 lines as 28:52 council archer my concerns 28:55 are again i said this last fall of 28:58 spring summer whenever it was we 28:59 approved this before 29:01 about ada compliance and uh 29:04 the ability for pedestrians to get along 29:06 there through the sidewalk 29:07 i've seen it myself and i've spoken to 29:10 several 29:11 you know those with mobility issues that 29:13 have 29:14 expressed that there's been times where 29:16 they can't 29:18 i'm not going to name the particular 29:19 businesses but 29:21 it's definitely occurring and so my 29:23 concern 29:24 is as we add the potential for snow 29:28 which i mean just two years ago or three 29:30 years ago i remember a storm in november 29:32 where it dumped five plus inches um 29:35 the concern is is a removal of that 29:37 snowing and still ensuring that we have 29:39 that 29:41 compliance or that three feet which is 29:43 the federal law with ada compliance 29:47 so i guess my question would be whether 29:50 or not public works is going to 29:52 prioritize 29:53 the downtown for snow removal to ensure 29:56 that happens 29:57 and if not i guess i would ask that 29:59 there's a provision put in place 30:01 that would disallow the use of the 30:04 sidewalk 30:04 until the city removes that snow 30:08 and creates that three feet of clearance 30:11 thank you 30:16 thank you councillor johnston 30:23 any further discussion on this 30:27 city administrator kanrath did you uh 30:30 understand 30:30 councillor johnson's request yeah i can 30:33 discuss that with public works and back 30:34 to 30:35 council archer's point also we can uh 30:37 certainly discuss with the fire 30:38 department on monitoring that situation 30:40 but 30:40 um yes two good points and book taken 30:42 thank you 30:44 thank you okay if there's no other 30:51 comments uh 30:53 roll call vote council archer 30:57 hi councillor purdy yes 31:01 councillor gunn yes 31:05 councillor copeland yes 31:08 councilman thorn yes councillor macphail 31:13 yes councillor johnston yes 31:17 motion passes seven zero thank you very 31:19 much 31:20 uh we are now up to item b the sacco 31:22 middle school land purchase 31:24 uh and that is uh counselor copeland 31:37 i'm scrolling over here in a second 31:42 okay here we go the sacco parks and 31:45 recreation department and their advisory 31:47 committee 31:48 believe in the importance of conserving 31:50 land for a future generation and 31:51 supports the sacco middle school students 31:54 wish 31:55 to purchase land in sacco however there 31:57 are concerns with the city's donation 31:59 being allocated 32:00 from the open space impact fee account 32:04 the open space impact impact fee 32:07 account was established to purchase open 32:10 space for city use 32:12 development of new city parks and trails 32:15 and rehabilitation of current parks and 32:17 trails 32:18 the soccer parks and recreation 32:20 department has identified many projects 32:22 currently in stages of development 32:24 with plans to use funds over 32:27 funds from the open space impact fee 32:30 account 32:31 as a match to our federal grant 32:34 funding allowing the public 32:39 from this account reduces the chances of 32:41 our projects becoming a reality 32:46 um there's an

exhibit from parks and rec 32:49 director ryan summer would you like 32:50 me to read that in 32:54 mr mayor uh we haven't normally read in 32:58 the exhibits 32:59 but it is in the packet and 33:05 all right um i'll read it to the sapho 33:08 this is from 33:10 ryan summer director of the sofco parks 33:12 and recreation department 33:15 to the sacco city council on september 33:17 21st 2020 33:19 the sacco middle school's sebage team 33:22 asked the city for a donation of thirty 33:24 five thousand out of the city's open 33:25 space 33:26 impact fee account the sacco parks and 33:28 rec department and members of the parks 33:30 and rec 33:31 advisory committee believe that it is 33:33 important to conserve land for future 33:35 generations 33:36 and supports this component of the 33:38 school's request however 33:40 there are concerns relating that don't 33:42 uh relating to the donation being 33:44 allocated from the open space 33:46 impact fee that i would like to share 33:48 with you today 33:49 this account was established just open 33:52 space 33:52 for city use development of new city 33:55 parks and trails 33:57 and rehabilitation of current parks and 34:00 trails 34:01 the sacco parks and recreation 34:02 department has identified 34:04 many projects currently in stages of 34:06 development with plans to use 34:08 funds from the open space impact fee 34:10 account 34:11 as a match to applications for federal 34:14 grant funding 34:15 allowing the public use allowing the 34:18 public to use money from this account 34:20 reduces the chances 34:21 of our projects becoming a reality in 34:23 addition there is concern 34:25 this money will be used to help purchase 34:27 land to then be donated to a non-profit 34:29 organization this opens the account for 34:32 for the future in a manner i believe it 34:34 was not developed for 34:36 i.e projects by outside public and 34:39 non-profit groups 34:41 again i believe that it is important for 34:43 the city to conserve land 34:45 for our future generation the parcel of 34:48 land identified in this project 34:50 is located on a private road with no 34:52 current parking available for people to 34:54 enjoy 34:55 so it is important to consider this 34:57 aspect of the site for for 34:58 future use as municipality sappo has 35:02 over 640 acres of land that the city 35:05 currently owns 35:06 our department maintains over 160 acres 35:09 of land 35:10 land and trails with more land being 35:12 donated every year 35:13 it is recommendation the parks and rec 35:15 uh department that if the council wishes 35:18 to donate towards the purchase of the 35:20 land 35:20 the donation of funds to the sacco valley 35:23 land trust 35:24 and the sacco middle school sebage team 35:27 should come from the general fund 35:29 and not from the open space impact fee 35:32 account 35:33 this aligns with current uh ways that 35:36 the general fund is used to support 35:38 other non-municipal 35:39 entities such as the dyer library and 35:42 soccer mainstream 35:43 i appreciate your time and i'm happy to 35:44 answer any additional questions 35:46 thank you for your consideration 35:48 sincerely ryan summer 35:51 all right and 35:55 the recommendation staff recommends that 35:59 if 36:01 tribute city for the land 36:04 that those funds general fund account 36:07 further staff recommends the city 36:09 matches 50 36:11 of the funds raised by the sacco middle 36:13 school to be paid out 36:14 only after sacco middle school's 50 36:17 percent has been 36:20 be it ordered that the city council 36:22 authorized the payment of 50 36:25 or 35 to 70 thousand dollars 36:29 of the funds needed for the sacco middle 36:31 school to purchase conservation land 36:34 to be paid when some soccer middle 36:36 school 36:37 has raised their half of the 70 thousand 36:40 dollars or thirty five thousand dollars 36:43 i move to approve this order 36:52 motion's been made by councilor copeland 36:54 is there a second 36:56 second second my council of mentoring 36:59 just so everyone's clear there was a 37:01 snafu in the in the creation of the 37:04 agenda item here 37:05 that this is a uh this would be a budget 37:08 amendment 37:09 and it requires a three meeting process 37:12 so 37:12 again i would just like to ask that 37:16 councilor copeland amend the motion 37:19 to include will be set for 37:24 our next agenda 37:27 which will be on 37:31 the 19th 37:36 this that um i moved to 37:42 to include that um this be set 37:46 for uh moving the process forward 37:50 and having the first october 19th 37:55 2014. be the first 37:58 public hearing on october 19th public 38:02 hearing 38:16 motion is there any discussion on the 38:19 amendment 38:21 to change the council 38:25 uh clarity 38:29 ocean does this is coming 38:33 it's gonna be the 38:36 um 38:40 talking about the open space fun are we 38:42 talking about the gym 38:43 thank you 38:48 city administer confirmed this 38:52 the recommendation from staff 38:55 comes out of the general fund can you 38:57 confirm that the suggested motion is out 38:59 of the general fund 39:01 right that's the recommendation as you 39:04 just heard 39:05 it's not open space effect 39:12 so with that we have an amendment to 39:15 change the motion 39:17 to include the uh public hearing on 39:19 october 39:20 19th monday october 19th 39:23 any discussion on the amendment rather 39:30 the discussion on the amendment only the 39:34 uh in the public hearing on the 19th 39:39 amendment 39:49 yes 39:54 yes 39:57 yes

39:59 [Music] 40:02 yes but i hope that we amen 40:06 see it to include the appropriate 40:08 account 40:10 thank you okay so now we are 40:13 we have amended the motion to include 40:16 the public hearing for 10 19. 40:18 back to the main motion i'm going to 40:20 have director summer 40:22 uh come up and provide some comments 40:29 director summer i'm promoting you to a 40:30 panelist 40:32 you should be coming on here momentarily 40:40 welcome director summer and thank you 40:42 for joining us this evening 40:45 thank you for giving me the time to talk 40:47 um and i appreciate it 40:49 so the amendment and the conversations 40:52 um there is one other account that i 40:55 want you guys to consider 40:57 if this is something that the the um 41:00 council so chooses to move forward which 41:02 i think is a great idea 41:03 again i believe in conservation um i 41:06 really wouldn't be in this position or 41:07 this job that i have 41:09 so i believe back in 2015 the city had 41:12 um designated some money to what was 41:15 called the open space 41:17 bond account um which was set 41:20 for the city to authorize to issue 41:23 general limited 41:25 general obligations of securities in the 41:27 name of the city of sacco 41:29 and an edgy to exceed 41:32 um right now we have 68 thousand dollars 41:34 in that 41:38 for a portion of the cost to design and 41:40 construct improvements for pedestrians 41:42 slash cyclists trails in the city of 41:44 sarco and to acquire 41:46 any real estate or interest in the 41:49 estate related there too so again i 41:53 i want to protect the open space um 41:55 impact account 41:56 because again we have many projects that 41:58 we're looking 41:59 to utilize that for but this account 42:03 um is really uh coming to the close 42:06 of um the open space spawn accounts 42:08 coming to a close 42:10 and really the 35 thousand dollars if 42:11 the council still chooses 42:13 probably would be better coming out bond 42:16 account 42:16 but to eventually close that account out 42:19 um it just kind of cleans it up 42:20 it makes it simple it doesn't come out 42:22 the general fund um 42:24 you know we we're using some of this 42:26 money to finish off the boardwalk down 42:28 on front street or the riverwalk but 42:31 there'll be about thirty five thousand 42:32 dollars in this account 42:33 if the council sold um to utilize this 42:37 account instead of the general fund 42:39 for the um or matching grant 42:43 towards the sacramento school land 42:45 purchase 42:47 thank you director summer uh 42:50 just in case there are any follow-up 42:52 questions yes sir 42:54 thank you you have a question uh yes 42:57 thank you mr mayor so it's two parts uh 42:59 the first 43:01 who's the owner and the second one is 43:03 what is the value of the 43:04 land the uh we'll go with assessed value 43:07 of the land 43:08 that's being uh 43:12 eight acres i believe 43:16 city administrator can wrap do we have 43:18 the assessed value 43:19 [Music] 43:22 no i don't have the assessed value uh 43:24 ryan did andrew first provide you any 43:26 information on 43:27 assessed value of that particular parcel 43:31 no but i see um i have not um i haven't 43:34 looked at the tax rule 43:36 um you know 43:40 i i wouldn't want to put a number on 43:42 that it'd be something i would probably 43:43 have a conversation with mr destroyance 43:45 director of the stridents 43:46 to see what he thought the assessment 43:47 was on that piece of property 43:50 okay so this would then go to brian is 43:52 at the last council meeting i did add 43:55 as and i haven't res um 43:59 i don't next time this comes 44:02 or but i would not be willing to push 44:04 forward this uh 44:06 i would not be willing to push this 44:07 forward without that number um 44:11 is not how i typically operate so i'm 44:13 just looking for 44:16 and the assessed value and then uh i 44:18 think us counselors can determine what 44:20 the market value is 44:21 but i at least want something of what 44:23 the city record says this property's 44:25 worth 44:26 and again i understand market value is 44:28 different but all i'm asking for 44:29 is objective data from the assessor 44:34 thank you 44:38 thank you council archer thank you 44:42 um you know i was i was looking through 44:45 the budget earlier 44:46 today and i too was thinking the same 44:49 thing as director summers 44:51 as far as the open space bond however 44:54 um my recollection of it is that bond 44:58 was put in place in the mid-2000s 45:01 for the purchase of open space 45:04 specifically i believe the city 45:06 purchased horton woods 45:08 the apprentice property the perkins 45:10 property and several others 45:13 so while that may be an option i think 45:16 we probably should be checking with bond 45:18 council to find out if we can actually 45:20 use those 45:20 funds to purchase property that's not be 45:24 held in the city's hands 45:25 um so i guess that's 45:29 my first someone should probably check 45:31 with finance on that 45:33 uh and the other hadn't i meant to 45:36 ask last week but i forgot which was why 45:39 we have 45:40 on this like i'd like to be able to you 45:43 know move forward and 45:46 with this the students and 45:49 but i just i feel like this kind of has 45:51 been a rush 45:52 process um i mean to council's archer's 45:55 point he had questions last week that 45:57 have gone 45:57 unanswered that are pertinent and yet 46:01 here we are again with this on the 46:03 agenda 46:05 and i i guess i i

would like that like 46:08 what what is the deadline why is that 46:11 such 46:11 you know set in stone and and honestly 46:15 what is the date that this needs to be 46:16 purchased by 46:18 i believe that um the sacramento school 46:22 team 46:23 in andrew fresh 46:27 it wasn't something that place 46:31 yes his deadline i believe you know he 46:34 had 46:34 bigger projects and he had hoped to 46:36 raise the money on his own 46:38 um but again it's not something that the 46:40 city 46:41 obviously we're kind of coming into the 46:42 back end being asked to help to donate 46:44 the money 46:45 to finish off the project um so it's 46:48 something i think more than 46:50 if he was on but i don't know if he's on 46:53 leave his date is like december 4th 47:00 again i guess i would ask for why that 47:03 deadline i mean is there another 47:04 purchaser 47:06 uh it would appear from what i've went 47:08 looked at that it's 47:10 largely unbuildable land so i mean i 47:13 i guess there could be another purchaser 47:15 but i 47:17 don't understand why you know there's a 47:20 deadline why we couldn't 47:22 i don't know put our collective heads 47:23 together and try to figure this out 47:25 more in a pragmatic manner 47:28 thank you thank you councillor johnstone 47:30 councilman 47:31 it's my understanding that whatever 47:34 agreement 47:34 is in place expires on december 4th 47:38 and with the landowner don't know how 47:42 hard and fast that date is 47:44 but that was my understanding from the 47:46 conversations i've heard 47:49 that that was the case 47:52 in conversations i've had with a couple 47:54 of you my my thought was 47:57 you know let's go ahead we can move 47:58 forward tonight 48:01 and try to get these answers and 48:05 after we do the the public hearing on 48:07 the 19th we don't have to 48:09 set we can set the date out a few more 48:11 weeks and 48:13 have time to dot the eyes and cross the 48:15 t's and 48:16 and make sure that we're going in the 48:18 right direction before 48:20 we get to their cut off of december 4th 48:27 thank you councillor menthorne 48:34 any further discussion any further 48:37 questions for director summer 48:41 hey councilor johnston 48:44 uh the question i'd have is 48:47 if we get to that point of of donating 48:50 or purchasing 48:51 um is there any i guess appetite for 48:55 parks and recs 48:56 to actually own this land and not 48:59 you know public money to fund a 49:02 non-profit purchase 49:08 being the location and the size of only 49:11 eight acres 49:12 um you're still going to have to team up 49:14 with the soccer very soccer very land 49:16 trust 49:16 um to build the trail system to connect 49:19 it you know really it's about 49:20 connectivity 49:21 um so it makes sense um you know either 49:25 if we own it or if the soccer very land 49:27 trust obviously the one thing if the 49:29 city owns it 49:30 you keep control you can build it you 49:32 you can ensure that the parking lot will 49:34 be built out there you can ensure that 49:36 the 49:37 um that the the trail system 49:40 gets developed and so forth but you know 49:43 you're not really going to build a whole 49:44 lot of 49:44 trail system on an eight acre parcel so 49:46 you're gonna have to team up with both 49:48 entities or the soccer valley land trust 49:50 to 49:52 get into a partnership so you can at 49:53 least use their land 49:55 for their land um for the trail system 49:57 but again you're able to at least ensure 49:59 the 50:00 parking lot that cars can park there and 50:02 people can at least get out and 50:04 not be on watsonville road and so forth 50:12 thank you director sung 50:15 any further questions 50:20 okay on the main motion roll call vote 50:23 council archer 50:24 hi councilor purdy 50:28 yes counselor gun 50:42 looks like he's frozen no 50:49 joe give us a thumbs up we can hear you 50:52 joe 50:54 can you anyone uh are we on the main 50:58 motion 50:59 main motion sir to you 51:04 yes thank you counselor copeland yes 51:08 councilman thorne yes council macphail 51:13 yes and councillor johnston yes 51:17 promotion passes 7-0 we'll have it for a 51:19 public hearing on 51:21 october 19th uh with that 51:24 i can ask a question director summer 51:28 council archer if you can repeat your 51:30 questions again so i can ensure that i 51:31 give you the answers that you're looking 51:33 for 51:34 we are looking for the assessed value of 51:36 the property 51:38 which should come from assessing and 51:40 then the second part of that 51:42 was 51:48 council archer yes uh it was who is the 51:51 landowner who who is the people 51:53 selling person at party and you want the 51:56 assessed value on the eight acres not on 51:58 the 10 acres and 52:00 just the eight acres that is looking to 52:01 be blocked right 52:03 the assessed value of what is being 52:05 considered for 52:06 purchase okay very good 52:11 okay moving on director summer thank you 52:13 for joining us 52:14 and and thank you for all your help in 52:17 clearing up some of those questions 52:19 thank you and i'll give you those 52:20 answers thank you 52:22 we are now two items 52:28 and with that we have a 52:32 update to the city vehicles policy 52:36 city administrator kanrath 52:39 did you want to have the item commentary 52:41 read first mr mayor or do you want me to 52:42 give a brief overview of what's 52:44 happening just a brief overview of 52:47 what's happening please 52:48 okay so we have in the employee handbook 52:50 a section on vehicle use

that we've 52:52 updated and expanded 52:54 um the highlights of it are uh it now 52:57 does not allow personal use of any city 52:59 vehicles 53:01 no non-city personnel or passengers are 53:03 to be authorized 53:06 in-city vehicles unless there's express 53:08 authorization from a department head or 53:09 myself 53:10 and restrict certain personnel the 53:13 ability to take home 53:16 vehicles and only allows take-home 53:18 vehicles 53:19 in the departments of public safety 53:21 public works and city administration 53:23 and it further clarifies definitions 53:25 including city business personal 53:27 use um and moving violations so it 53:29 really tightens up the policy quite a 53:31 bit 53:31 um it adds a lot of structure um and i 53:34 think provides a lot more 53:36 um a lot more guidance on what's allowed 53:38 and what isn't allowed so that's the 53:40 highlight of it 53:42 quickly uh emily roy our communications 53:45 director who worked 53:46 um very closely with me on on getting 53:48 this together so thank you emily for 53:50 your 53:50 work on this 53:54 thank you city administrator kane rath 53:56 thank you 53:57 communications director roy uh with that 54:01 uh council you'll be seeing this uh in 54:03 an upcoming meeting on the 19th 54:05 uh but prior to bringing it forward i 54:07 just wanted to have it in the 54:09 agenda as new business first to 54:13 one see if you have any questions 54:15 comments or considerations 54:18 uh to include uh or any amendments you'd 54:20 like to see 54:22 and then again those will be 54:23 incorporated into a first reading 54:27 update on the 19th 54:47 okay seeing no questions on the vehicle 54:51 use policy 54:52 let's move forward we have a agenda 54:55 agenda item b under new business 55:00 we have the tax write-off 55:04 for fiscal year 2020 55:07 and i believe we'll have a quick 55:09 presentation from 55:11 finance director solis 55:55 good evening everyone i apologize uh all 55:58 my virtual backgrounds have disappeared 56:00 so 56:00 i'm getting a little bit of a view into 56:03 my house 56:04 um all right so we have a couple of 56:08 items 56:08 i try and do the write-offs hand-in-hand 56:12 with each other once a year we're a 56:15 little bit 56:16 behind typically tax write-offs or 56:18 something addressed in the spring but 56:20 obviously 56:21 with everything going on in the global 56:22 pandemic as well as 56:25 staffing challenges that we face on the 56:27 finance side 56:28 it seemed prudent to put this item off 56:30 until 56:32 the fall the first item 56:35 is tax write-offs 56:38 or rather it's miscellaneous accounts 56:40 receivable write-offs so i apologize the 56:42 title's a little bit off but 56:44 the supporting detail um first is 56:46 miscellaneous accounts receivables 56:48 these are relatively small amounts um 56:51 i think at most municipalities they 56:53 would sort of fall below the threshold 56:55 of something the finance director might 56:56 have discretion to write off 56:58 based on whether or not they are 57:00 collectible 57:02 but we don't have a formal policy for 57:04 write-ups at this point in time so i am 57:05 bringing them forward to council 57:07 all of these are quite old they date 57:09 back to 2004. 57:12 the second item is personal property 57:15 write-offs 57:17 the last couple of years we've sort of 57:19 circled back and 57:20 taken attack at these personal property 57:23 is assessed against businesses 57:26 and so um in this particular case as in 57:29 the last couple of years 57:30 the particular business against which 57:32 the personal property was levied has 57:34 gone out of business 57:35 so that's why we're recommending that 57:37 this amount be written off of the books 57:42 um i guess before i move on to the 57:45 property foreclosures are there any 57:47 questions on the 57:48 miscellaneous accounts receivable and 57:49 personal property write-offs 57:58 welcome director salus and thank you for 58:00 joining us this evening 58:01 uh thank you for the presentation on the 58:05 miscellaneous accounts receivable 58:07 write-offs 58:08 and i noticed in your commentary you 58:11 said that we don't have a policy 58:14 for dealing with these if your 58:16 department wants to take a stab with the 58:18 city administrator's approval to develop 58:20 a policy 58:22 and bring it forward to council for 58:23 consideration 58:25 i think that would be well uh well 58:27 utilized in the future 58:29 years but with that i think council 58:31 archer has his hand up councillor archer 58:34 yes and thank you for presenting this as 58:36 you do every year 58:38 um it's not as much as we've had in the 58:40 past to have to write off which i like 58:42 because that means we're caught up for 58:43 the most part 58:44 um out of all these i don't know how 58:46 many there are but there is one that i 58:48 do have a concern with 58:49 and that's the walk-in clinic it's just 58:51 the price amount i don't think you 58:52 should be writing that one off 58:53 specifically 58:54 um you do have one that says 1150 but i 58:57 see that's too old to collect so you've 58:59 provided a reason 59:01 um the only one that i have concerned 59:02 with is the walk-in clinic for the fire 59:04 alarms 59:05 um i see that you did try to defend uh 59:08 provide justification 59:10 um but if it's there uh if it's their 59:12 cleaning company then they should be 59:14 going after that cleaning company 59:15 for that money uh we shouldn't be taking 59:18 a hit because they're 59:21 not going after

their own um it looks 59:23 like tenants their tenants and the 59:25 cleaning companies so i 59:26 do not agree with the um 59:29 the proposal for hundred fifty dollars 59:31 when they owe two thousand two hundred 59:33 and fifty dollars they're operating in 59:34 our community as we speak 59:36 they're still using our services and for 59:37 that specific one only 59:39 um i'd like that one to be taken off 59:41 this list in the future 59:43 everything else is well written and i 59:45 understand why 59:47 they need to be written off so that's 59:49 what i have thank you 59:50 thank you council archer councillor 59:52 johnston thank you 59:54 councillor archer keyed right in on 59:56 where i was going um 59:59 again from the little synopsis here it 60:01 appears as though it's a 60:03 case of it wasn't me um which 60:06 i can understand but at the same time i 60:08 believe there's a 60:09 an appeal process in the city code for 60:12 for the false alarms 60:13 so i my question is did they ever appeal 60:16 to the appropriate whether it was a fire 60:18 department or the police department 60:21 um that process 60:24 because you know it's been years and now 60:26 of a sudden we're saying oh well i don't 60:28 want to pay it because it wasn't me 60:30 so i'm in line with councillor archer 60:32 and not agreeing to that 60:35 thank you thank you councillor johnston 60:38 councillor minthorn 60:40 yes thank you mayor uh as some of you 60:43 may or may not know my wife used to run 60:45 the walk-in clinics 60:47 about six eight well about a year ago 60:49 till about six months ago 60:52 and i can honestly tell you the number 60:54 of phone calls we got at this house 60:56 when the alarm was going off at the 60:58 walk-in clinic 61:00 it was rarely cleaning crews 61:03 and rarely other tenants it was their 61:05 own staff 61:06 that were setting them off so i think 61:09 it's easy 61:10 for leadership to point fingers but the 61:12 fact of the matter is 61:13 they're on the hook and i agree with 61:16 council 61:17 counselor archer and counselor johnson 61:19 sentiments on this one 61:23 thank you councilman 61:31 okay any other comments on the 61:36 miscellaneous 61:38 miscellaneous accounts receivable 61:40 write-offs 61:43 seeing no further discussion 61:46 uh finance director salus will you 61:48 continue on to the disposition of 61:49 foreclosed property please 61:52 certainly uh do we need to take a formal 61:54 vote 61:55 on the smhc write-off or should i simply 61:59 strike it from the motion 62:01 uh this will come before the council 62:04 on the 19th and if you want to present 62:07 it with it in there 62:09 we can have a vote on that night to 62:11 amend it 62:12 or if you want to present it without it 62:15 or 62:16 i think there's consensus to do that 62:20 okay thank you 62:24 okay so the next item okay this is the 62:26 disposition of foreclosed 62:28 properties so um every year i have to 62:31 complement denise pendleton 62:33 the city's tax collector she works 62:35 incredibly hard with our taxpayers 62:37 she gets this list lower and lower every 62:40 year 62:41 does a lot of really close work with 62:44 some of our citizens to get them over 62:46 the finish line 62:47 this list is especially short because of 62:50 the extended period for paying taxes 62:52 through the summer we were able to get a 62:55 number of 62:56 taxpayers over the line in the last 62:58 couple of months 63:00 there really are only two two items to 63:03 discuss the first would be 24 63:06 pinehaven street um 63:09 there are significant taxes owed we've 63:12 worked really hard with this individual 63:13 to get 63:16 the tax collector does feel confident 63:18 that she can 63:20 play trailer so 63:29 i wouldn't say that there's very cooper 63:33 that are owed so my recommendation is to 63:36 wait another six months and see if we 63:37 can 63:38 get this over the finish line um the 63:40 same would be 63:41 uh l'oreal plant on 1038 portland road 63:46 she does own a vehicle with the city so 63:49 we do know that we have a couple of 63:50 touch points with her 63:52 um and that we might be able to get 63:54 her over the line the next time she 63:56 comes in to pay her 63:58 excise so that's another reason i'm 64:01 recommending that we wait six months and 64:02 revisit 64:04 the rest of these essentially are either 64:07 payment plans that are in action where 64:08 the 64:09 property owner is making an effort to 64:11 pay down the balances 64:13 or i believe there's one or two trailers 64:15 that have since been destroyed and 64:16 simply have to be 64:17 written off 64:22 thank you finance director salus any 64:25 questions 64:28 for director salus on the disposition of 64:31 foreclosed 64:38 properties 64:40 okay seeing no questions 64:44 moving on to item d 64:49 which is uh millbrook business park 64:52 covenants 64:54 amendment finance director sales thank 64:56 you for joining us this evening and your 64:58 presentation 64:59 andrew can we promote director clavette 65:34 hello 65:38 welcome director clavette and thank you 65:40 for joining us this evening 65:45 my apologies i had just stepped away 65:48 temporarily so 66:02 uh 66:05 so can you provide us a brief overview 66:08 of the 66:09 amendment consideration that's being 66:11 brought forward to 66:12 the city council sure and jessa verna 66:15 is available this is jenna's jessa's 66:21 amendment consideration but 66:24 just so that you will know 66:28 one of our potential tenants 66:31 for 10 mill brook park um 66:34 has uh initiated a

potential purchase 66:39 for a proper uh a unit 66:42 and looking forward to providing 66:46 um the services but it would need an 66:49 amendment 66:49 and if jessa could be promoted to a 66:51 panelist he would be the person that 66:54 would be best 66:54 to address this issue thank you director 66:57 cleveland andrew can you promote 67:01 economic development specialist jessa 67:03 berna please 67:20 welcome and thank you for joining us 67:22 jessa how are you i'm good thanks for 67:24 having me 67:29 um i can give an overview of this 67:31 proposal i went to the economic 67:33 development commission um several weeks 67:35 back we had a 67:36 request for a new business to move into 67:39 one of the commercial condos at 10 67:40 millbrook 67:42 the business is called aquamation 67:43 service of maine 67:45 they do um basically like green 67:48 pet cremation business and 67:53 the covenants in the millbrook does 67:56 explicitly 67:57 um not prohibit dead animals 68:01 and there is some more specific language 68:03 around that so 68:04 we have let her know that the process to 68:07 locate at that location 68:09 is to have an amendment to the 68:11 covenantses 68:13 at their last economic development 68:15 commission meeting 68:16 the commission did vote in favor of 68:20 amending the deed covenances for the 68:22 business park to allow this 68:24 use however there were many 68:27 requests in that um language 68:31 you know in other words ensure that dead 68:32 animals are not visible 68:34 that there is not increased odor and 68:36 also that 68:37 there is a size limit on the animals to 68:40 ensure that 68:41 this there isn't like creep where it's 68:43 like this use is okay but then at least 68:45 it's similar 68:46 down the line so in consultation with 68:49 attorney 68:49 tim murphy we're bringing it to this 68:51 board to 68:54 hear your opinions on whether or not to 68:56 move forward with indeed covenants for 68:58 the business park as this 68:59 influences not just 10 mill brook and 69:02 this property but all of the land owners 69:04 in the business park we've already 69:06 invested in that area of our city 69:12 thank you jessa for that explanation 69:18 are there any questions for director 69:20 clavetter uh 69:22 specialist bernard 69:26 councillor johnson um is there a 69:28 purchase and sales 69:30 agreement already in place 69:33 i believe that the um owner is in the 69:36 process of a purchase and sale agreement 69:38 however 69:40 um they are aware that this is 69:42 outstanding and 69:43 um we have to advise them not to 69:45 finalize it until um they have final 69:47 approval from the 69:49 covenants so this use is now permitted 69:51 and the 69:52 buyers are aware and i think have this 69:54 caveat in their purchase sale agreement 70:04 council archer yeah um 70:07 i guess posse i do have an issue with it 70:09 initially but i definitely want more 70:11 information 70:11 so i'd like to see more come from this 70:14 um specifically not not that we change 70:17 covenants we have done that before 70:19 it's it's more about something that the 70:21 dumping disposal incineration of dead 70:23 animals when you're purchasing a 70:24 property and it says prohibited 70:26 i think that that holds a little bit 70:28 more weight than some maybe other uses 70:30 um so i definitely like to see what kind 70:32 of i guess more of on the nuisance level 70:34 this profession 70:35 or this business would have to the uh 70:38 adjacent properties 70:40 so again i'm interested in learning more 70:42 about it because i 70:43 it could be the cleanest process that i 70:44 and i just don't know um 70:47 but again it when you say dumping 70:49 disposal incineration of 70:50 garbage sewerage um awful dead animals 70:53 or other refuge i guess 70:55 if i was a business that purchased in 70:57 that area i kind of would be guessing 70:59 and hoping that that would stay the same 71:01 i just need more information on this 71:03 that's in some yeah absolutely i can 71:06 speak to that a little 71:08 um the business owner was at the 71:10 economic development commission 71:11 and i'll let councillor purdy jump in as 71:14 well too as the liaison to the edc 71:17 but the economic development commission 71:19 i believe felt quite confident that this 71:21 specific use would be very low impact 71:24 and would not emit odors or cause any 71:26 trouble or concern it would be basically 71:28 invisible to the neighbors however 71:30 the concerns raised by the economic 71:32 development commission are that 71:34 other similar uses might move in or 71:35 there might be an expansion or another 71:37 kind of use that would then open up the 71:39 whole business park 71:40 to these uses um depending on the 71:43 language that's crafted so it has to be 71:45 done very carefully to not open up this 71:47 area 71:48 and again there is the concern of the 71:49 existing business owners who bought into 71:51 the 71:51 business park with a certain expectation 71:53 based on the covenants 71:55 thank you 71:58 thank you jesse thank you council archer 72:01 director clevet did you 72:02 have something to say um the only 72:05 additional piece that i would love 72:07 is the piece that i mean clearly 72:11 unequivocally the board had no 72:12 concern or issue with this particular 72:14 use the only 72:16 position that i would want to present 72:19 for you to consider 72:20 is that initiating any kind of 72:23 consideration for any kind of 72:25 amendment opens the door to any kind of 72:27

amendment at any time for any reason 72:30 and so they're they're there in case 72:33 lies 72:34 your you as a council to make that 72:36 decision of 72:38 how many amendments do we want to 72:39 consider over the course of these 72:41 um the lifetime of these covenants i 72:44 mean this may be a legitimate use 72:46 legitimate concern a little bit 72:48 legitimate ability to 72:50 to have this use um but if we open 72:53 an amendment now it'll be an amendment 72:55 later an amendment later and so i just 72:57 need you to 72:58 as you make this decision is to consider 73:01 not the specific use but the specific 73:04 consideration of do we want to amend 73:06 these covenants 73:07 when everybody else has joined whether 73:10 it's the spring hill road 73:12 the middlebrook park and the industrial 73:14 park all of these covenants 73:16 based on the considerations 73:19 that have been presented so i just need 73:22 you to to be fully aware 73:24 that that's an issue i mean obviously 73:27 this is the beginning of a process 73:29 that you would endorse or not 73:33 and and whether this um comes forward 73:36 and you folks decide well yeah let's 73:38 let's make this amendment 73:40 but moving forward how many of these 73:42 amendments do you want to consider 73:44 moving forward um so i just need you to 73:47 to make sure that 73:48 this decision is not made in a vacuum of 73:51 this specific use but 73:52 basically do you want to consider 73:55 amendments period 73:59 thank you director clavette so i i had 74:02 to look up what aquamation 74:04 uh is as uh i'm not overly familiar with 74:08 that 74:09 uh i understood aqua and the water piece 74:12 but i was not 74:15 versed on what aquamation is and 74:17 aquamation 74:19 is the natural process known as alkaline 74:22 hydrolysis using water flow temperature 74:25 and alkalinity 74:27 it is more like natural decompos 74:29 decomposition 74:30 when compared to any other method uh 74:33 following both the aquamation or 74:35 cremation 74:36 process only the bones remain that is a 74:40 definition quick definition off of 74:43 um off of the website here 74:47 but that is uh what aquamation means 74:50 just in case anybody was wondering i had 74:51 to look it up 74:53 counselor uh mender and then councilor 74:56 johnston 74:58 real quick basically what it is it's the 75:00 same process they use 75:02 to render animal tissue for making soap 75:06 where you treat it with sodium hydroxide 75:09 in a liquid and 75:10 it dissolves everything that's not bone 75:13 basically um that being said i would 75:17 like to see the draft language 75:19 uh as we wrestle with this 75:24 both is to do we want to amend covenants 75:27 or not 75:28 as well as if we choose to at least 75:31 have the draft language for the next 75:33 meeting so we know what 75:35 we know it's 5.2 f and it's also 75:38 5.3 b maybe or something with respect to 75:43 the nuisance language 75:44 that might also need to be uh 75:48 yeah b 5.3 b so if we could see some 75:51 draft 75:52 language that would be helpful thank you 75:54 thank you council mentor and councilor 75:56 johnston 75:57 thank you i think that director clavette 76:00 had 76:01 a great point and i appreciate her input 76:03 put 76:04 um i mean i think this is a pandora's 76:07 box 76:07 i i listen to that edc meeting and 76:10 i understand what they do but it's 76:14 the use is prohibited you know are we 76:16 going to further erode the covenants 76:18 i can guarantee you once you open these 76:20 you'll have all sorts 76:22 of requests coming forward because you 76:24 set a precedent 76:26 my understanding is is that this 76:28 particular 76:29 use could go elsewhere in sacco so is 76:32 that the highest and best use 76:34 of you know the business park that you 76:36 know 76:37 public money was used to to fund and 76:39 build out 76:40 um i mean i i have some knowledge that 76:44 you know there are surrounding 76:45 businesses that are opposed to this 76:47 so i'm sure we'll be hearing from them 76:49 too thank you 76:51 thank you counselor johnston 76:54 council mentor do you have something 76:56 further or is that your hand up from 76:58 earlier 77:00 sorry that's my hand from earlier okay 77:03 council archer it'll get 77:08 recovery as well um just because we know 77:10 we've had other problems with water 77:12 related businesses 77:13 um just to hear what they have to say 77:16 yeah absolutely um and just so you know 77:19 we have involved howard carter in this 77:21 conversation 77:22 and at a higher level this doesn't 77:24 appear to be a high water use and he 77:26 didn't have 77:27 um anything that he thought was 77:28 insurmountable at this point 77:45 councilor macphail 77:48 thank you um is this a new company or an 77:50 existing company 77:53 coming in do they have any record from a 77:55 previous location or is this an 77:58 extra location and do we know 78:02 how they truck out the disposal waste 78:05 what happens to it 78:08 yeah so this is a new company this would 78:10 be their first location 78:12 um and my understanding of the business 78:15 itself is it's sort of like 78:16 the end result is like creamy nation so 78:18 there'd be some ashes that would be 78:19 returned to a vet's office and then to a 78:21 family who lost a pet 78:23 however um i think it's important to 78:25 remember that 78:26 we're not just talking about this 78:27 business if this business if the 78:29 covenants were to be amended it would be

78:31 anything else that might be allowed 78:32 in moving forward that would be similar 78:34 to this 78:43 thank you jessa thank you councillor 78:44 macphail any further questions 78:58 okay no further questions on the 79:00 millbrook park 79:01 business park covenants presentation 79:08 thank you director clavet thank you 79:09 economic uh 79:11 economic development specialist barna 79:13 for joining us and providing us with 79:15 that commentary 79:17 uh with that we are up to item 11 on the 79:20 agenda which is the administrative 79:22 update to the administrator camera okay 79:25 thank you mr mayor uh starting with some 79:27 personnel updates uh the interview 79:29 committee for our building and codes 79:30 department director 79:32 uh met late last week to consider 79:33 applicants for the position 79:35 uh following interview and committee 79:36 deliberations i will be appointing 79:38 deputy director dave toomey to the 79:40 director's position 79:41 we will see the council confirmation on 79:43 this position at our next 79:46 meeting on october 19th i will say dave 79:49 brings with him as you know many years 79:50 of experience 79:52 in the field as well as a unique 79:53 familiarity with 79:55 uh saku itself and he's also a sacco 79:57 resident so um 79:58 i think he'll be a great fit for the 80:00 position and pending your 80:02 uh confirmation i think we'll be off to 80:04 a strong start 80:05 here as our new director of building and 80:08 codes for the city of sacco 80:10 our planning economic development 80:11 department um has also 80:13 settled on bringing back former city 80:16 planner bob hamlin to the position 80:17 bob will be staying for uh at least 12 80:20 to 18 months 80:21 um possibly longer but he has pledged at 80:23 least that amount of time 80:25 and again has 20 plus years of 80:28 experience with the city 80:29 and in our community and at this very 80:31 busy time will be an asset to the 80:33 department so welcome back 80:34 uh bob hamblin uh property transfers 80:37 attorneys are working on 80:39 person sale agreements as well as deep 80:41 prep for uh some recent properties we've 80:43 considered naive temple street to 80:45 margarita road 80:46 and 351 north street and they will be 80:48 wrapping up over the next 80:50 uh few weeks uh an update on elections 80:53 early voting in the city hall auditorium 80:55 is now happening so you may come down 80:57 and vote early at our city hall 80:59 auditorium 81:00 voters may also utilize the dropbox on 81:02 the cups avenue side of city hall i 81:05 would like to thank michelle hughes our 81:06 city clerk 81:07 as well as all of their staff and 81:10 election workers 81:11 for the incredible job they're doing you 81:13 know with covid this year there's been a 81:14 lot more 81:15 put onto their plate as far as the setup 81:18 of the polling place 81:19 everything they've had to do to get that 81:21 ready and i'd say our first date today 81:23 was 81:23 was very smooth to have quite a few 81:25 people voting so 81:26 um thank you very much to michelle and 81:28 all of our people and everyone out there 81:30 um making our our election possible 81:34 to uh to democracy overall so thank you 81:37 everyone involved there 81:38 um i will say the mayor and i have a 81:39 meeting tomorrow to talk with thornton 81:41 academy about potentially 81:43 it's just potentially right now using um 81:46 their facility as a polling place 81:49 for the city there is quite a bit more 81:51 parking there logistically and maybe a 81:53 lot easier than using 81:55 the community center so we're going to 81:57 be talking more on that tomorrow we'll 81:58 have more updates 81:59 uh in the near future what's happening 82:01 there a reminder uh my first 82:04 uh session of city administrators open 82:06 office hours 82:07 uh will be held on october 27th from 82:09 three to five p.m 82:10 in the city hall auditorium um all 82:12 soccer residents local businesses to 82:15 attend 82:16 to come show their thoughts views uh 82:18 complaints concerns or whatever else 82:20 they may want to talk about i'll be 82:21 there look forward to it 82:23 and again encourage everyone to uh to 82:25 stop by 82:27 an update on our comprehensive plan 82:29 after a competitive rfp process the city 82:31 has a word of the contract 82:34 to stantec consulting services located 82:37 in boston the amount of 124 82:39 500 this fee will include all labor 82:42 travel materials printing media 82:44 and other costs required to complete the 82:46 project for the agreement as 82:48 outlined in the city's rfp it's 82:51 anticipated the company that's a plan 82:52 2021 82:54 project will take about 18 months to 82:55 complete uh the primary stantec 82:58 consultants will be david dixon 83:00 the vice president phil schaffing 83:04 associate senior planner who's the 83:06 associate uh at senior urban planner 83:08 and they'll be working closely with city 83:10 staff bob hamlin our city planner denise 83:12 colvette our director of the department 83:14 jessa berna who's our economic 83:16 development specialist as well as isabel 83:18 xle 83:18 who's our associate in the department as 83:20 well as other city staff 83:22 and finally a long-range planning 83:24 committee will be formed to work with 83:25 the consultants and staff 83:27 to help with the development of the 83:28 city's comprehensive plan 2021 and to 83:30 continue after the 18-month 83:32 project serve with the comp plan 83:35 implementation and mayor doyle will be

83:37 working to put that committee together 83:39 and appoint those numbers 83:41 that's all i have how are you taking the 83:42 questions thank you 83:45 thank you sydney administrator kanrath 83:47 any questions 83:48 for the city administrator 83:54 see no questions thank you very much 83:56 moving on to item 12 83:58 council discussion and comment any 84:01 counsel discussion and comment 84:13 no discussion and comment tonight we are 84:16 moving on to item 84:17 13 which is executive session is there a 84:21 motion 84:22 yes mr mayor be it ordered the city 84:24 council enter into executive session 84:26 pursuant to mrsa title 1 chapter 13 sub 84:29 chapter 1 84:30 section 405 6e pending legal matters 84:36 motion's been made by councilman 84:38 minthorn is there a second 84:43 second second by councillor mcphail 84:47 any discussion role called vote counsel 84:51 archer 84:52 aye councillor purdy yes 84:56 counselor gun 84:59 yes counselor copeland 85:02 yes councilman thorne yes 85:06 councillor mcphail yes 85:09 councillor johnston yes motion passes 85:13 7-0 to enter executive session 85:15 at 7 55 pm uh please use the 85:19 uh we will start the executive session 85:21 at eight o'clock so it'll be a five 85:22 minute recess 85:24 uh and just please move over to the 85:28 zoom number that was provided to you 85:33 by city administrator kanrath this 85:38 afternoon 193:37 welcome back everybody it seems that all 193:40 counselors 193:41 are back and seated 193:46 i think we're just waiting on city 193:47 administrator kane wrath to join us 194:05 we'll give them another minute to get 194:07 back and 194:29 the time your windows computer decides 194:32 to do enough 195:04 alan sounds like you have aliens in the 195:07 background 195:11 that's bill's microphone 195:15 you've got the green square around you 195:27 i don't hear any noise over here at all 195:34 i don't know maybe brian isn't rejoining 195:36 us 195:40 he adjourned 195:49 yeah al it is you it's a it's like a 195:51 rustling feedback 195:52 every time you mute it goes away 196:03 although the city administrator can join 196:06 us uh 196:07 when he gets back is there a motion to 196:09 exit executive session 196:11 he had ordered the city council exit 196:13 executive session pursue with 196:15 mrsa title 1 chapter 13 sub chapter 1 196:18 section 405 6b pending legal matter 196:24 emotions been made by councilman 196:25 minthorn is there a second 196:29 second second by council archer 196:32 any discussion on coming out of 196:33 executive session 196:37 not seeing none rule called vote council 196:38 archer aye 196:40 council of party yes counselor gunn 196:46 yes counselor copeland yes 196:50 counselor mentor yes councillor macphail 196:54 yes and councilor johnston yes 196:58 motion come out of executive session 197:00 passes 7-0 197:01 at 9 47 p.m 197:07 is there a motion from executive session 197:10 yes there is mr mayor be it ordered the 197:12 city council hereby authorizes the city 197:15 administrator and the city's legal 197:16 council to take all necessary action to 197:19 settle the pending 197:20 litigation in bayview estates llc versus 197:23 city of saco 197:25 superior court docket number ap dash 197:30 2020-02 197:32 subject to the following terms number 197:34 one 197:35 the city through its code enforcement 197:37 officer 197:38 shall provide a letter to bayview 197:40 estates llc 197:41 or its successor in interest confirming 197:44 that the subject property may 197:46 be developed with two single family 197:49 homes 197:50 under the current provisions of the 197:52 zoning ordinance 197:53 number two the city shall pay bayview 197:56 estates llc 197:58 17 000 to reimburse the plaintiff's 198:02 costs of litigation today 198:05 number three in return for the city's 198:08 action 198:08 set forth in number one in number two 198:11 bayview estates 198:12 llc shall dismiss its pending appeal 198:20 motion has been made by councilman 198:21 minthorn is there a second 198:26 second second by counselor copeland 198:29 in discussion 198:32 city administrator kanrath welcome thank 198:35 you sorry for my 198:37 difficulties thank you had some 198:38 technical difficulties getting back 198:43 thank you 198:46 seeing no discussion roll call vote on 198:49 the motion 198:50 council archer i disagree with the terms 198:53 no councilor purdy 198:57 yes councillor gunn 199:06 councillor copeland yes 199:09 councilman thorne 199:14 yes councilor mcphail 199:18 yes and councillor johnston 199:21 no motion passes 4-3 199:34 uh any other item 199:39 from executive session 199:43 no report mr mayor no report on any 199:46 other item 199:47 at this moment is there a motion to 199:48 adjourn 199:53 before we adjourn i'd like to make a 199:55 quick shout out 199:57 um today in the main biz we had two 200:01 saco business owners that made the cover 200:04 a main biz 200:05 i forgot to mention that during council 200:07 comment 200:08 so uh what were the business owners 200:12 uh was drew at the ecology school 200:16 and i'm drawing a blank 200:20 i believe it was brenda i'm i'm 200:23 i'm drawing a blank on her name and her 200:26 business is atlantic 200:28 i don't remember it 200:31 it's not a business i've come across in 200:33 my travels 200:34 but uh i did post it on my webpage or on 200:38 my facebook page 200:39 for city council so people can look 200:42 there to find it 200:44 thank you for

that is there a motion to 200:46 adjourn so move 200:48 second sarah second second by councillor 200:51 copeland
200:52 uh any discussion 200:56 an adjoining council archer aye 200:59 councillor purdy yes councilor gunn
201:04 yes councillor copeland 201:08 well i want to say yes but i just got on 201:11 the website of maine biz
201:14 well i can't buy it wait at the moment 201:16 yes 201:17 councilman thorne yes 201:20 councillor mcphail
yes and counselor 201:23 johnston 201:25 yes motion to adjourn passes 7-0 at 9 201:28 51 p.m i just want to thank
you all for 201:32 a good long night of discussion and so 201:34 forth 201:35 i wish you all and your you and your
201:37 families all be safe 201:39 and be well and thank you again for all 201:42 your hard work 201:44 take care
201:55 you