

The next Common Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20 at 7:30PM. Members of Common Council, Mayor Radest, and city staff will be participating electronically in this meeting. For this and all future electronic meetings, members of the public will be able to comment by video or audio conference. Comments will also be accepted by email or by mail to cityclerk@cityofsummit.org. Comments must be received by noon on October 20. The access codes for the Zoom platform and instructions for public comment are posted on the city website.

Every Common Council meeting is broadcast live on HDTV Verizon channel 30 and Comcast channel 36 and 34. The meeting will also be broadcast live on the City of Summit [YouTube Channel](#).

At this meeting, we will have three presentations. Residents will have the opportunity to ask questions of each of our presenters via Zoom. First, Jackie Kondel, the new Executive Director of the Reeves-Reed Arboretum, will give a presentation about the Arboretum. Megan Avallone, Director of the Westfield Regional Health Department, will give a COVID-19 update. Finally, Police Chief Andrew Bartolotti will report on the annual statistics for the Summit Police Department. Mayor Radest will also issue a proclamation recognizing Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

The Finance Committee will introduce two resolutions. The first is to approve a best practices inventory, required by the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services to be completed and discussed at a public meeting to receive state aid. This inventory encourages best practices that improve financial accountability and transparency. Second, council will vote to declare a vacancy for a deputy tax assessor.

Council will hear a single Safety and Health Committee resolution to extend the Summit Farmers Market for three Sundays in December - with the last market date to be held on December 20.

The Law and Labor Committee will introduce a resolution to extend sick leave with pay for a Fire Department Employee.

Council will consider two resolutions from the Community Programs and Parking Services Committee. The first resolution would authorize free holiday parking in the Central Retail Business District from December 12 to December 27 at all 90-minute and 15-minute on-street meters, in the Bank Street Lot, and on the ground level of the Tier Garage on Springfield Avenue. Time limits will continue to be enforced to encourage vehicle turnover. The second resolution will authorize the suspension of a contract with Parking Services Plus for valet parking through December 31, 2020. At this time, valet parking services are not needed because of the decreased demand for parking at the Broad Street Garage. Under the terms of the contract suspension agreement, the contract will be extended by a time period equal to the suspension period, making the new contract expiration date August 31, 2020.

The Capital Projects and Community Services Committee will introduce six resolutions. Four of these resolutions are personnel matters to create a succession plan for the vacancies created by the retirement of the current Director of Community Services in November. All of these positions will be filled internally and there will be a decrease in head count by one person. Council will also vote on a resolution to declare a vacancy for a part-time assistant position in the public works division to replace an employee who has resigned. Finally, council will consider a resolution authorizing submission of an application to the Transportation Alternatives Program grant administered by the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Summit Park Line Project. The grant application seeks \$1,000,000 to extend sidewalks on Morris Avenue and Broad Street, and provide updates and ADA compliant access to Phase I of the trail.

To view the complete Common Council agenda, go to <https://www.cityofsummit.org/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/494?fileID=24676>

Next Common Council Meeting: Wednesday, November 4, 2020.