

# Bethlehem City Council meeting tomorrow tonight Tuesday, September 1, 7PM

The Bethlehem Gadfly City government August 31, 2020 2 Minutes

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How'd it get to be September? Time sure flies when you're having a pandemic.

Our next City Council meeting — the “face” of Bethlehem City government — occurs tomorrow tonight Tuesday, September 1, **at 7PM**.

Lots of fun in store.

Of interest:

- A hearing on a Police Dept **grant application** for \$41,000. The dept plans to use the money for computer stuff. Interesting in that recently there's talk of finding money for additional training, but we haven't been supplied the parameters of the grantor, so we don't know what uses are allowed.
- A hearing on a zoning change to permit a grocery store at the much contested Center and Dewberry corner — Mr. Atiyeh's latest proposal for that site. The **Planning Commission** has recommended denying the change.



- Councilman Callahan will move to bring his proposed wage equality ordinance out of committee, where it has stalled. **Quite a history here.**
- We hope to hear more about response to the Public Safety meeting, Community Engagement Initiative, etc.

But there's always the unexpected.

As long as he has flutter in his wings, Gadfly urges "attending" City Council.

Be informed. Be involved.

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The meeting documents are located at the following link:

**<https://www.bethlehem-pa.gov/Calendar/Meetings/2020/City-Council-Meeting/67>**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT PHONE INSTRUCTIONS**

REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT PHONE INSTRUCTIONS. If you would like to speak during the City Council August 18, 2020 Meeting, please sign up per the instructions below or call into the meeting when the Council President announces he will take public comment calls.

If you would like to sign up to speak, email the following information to the Bethlehem City Clerk's office ([cityclerk@bethlehem-pa.gov](mailto:cityclerk@bethlehem-pa.gov)) no later than 12:00 PM on September 1, 2020 (a) name; (b) address; (c) phone number; and (d) topic of comments.

If you are signed up to speak, the City Council President will call you from (610) 997-7963.

After all signed-up speakers talk, the Council President will ask whether anyone else would like to make public comments. If you want to speak at that time, call the Bethlehem City Council public comment phone line at (610) 997-7963.

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**You can watch the City Council Meeting on the following YouTube channel:**

**<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UiojADKaRE1W3xw>**

Find the Council agenda and supporting documents **[here](#)**.