



CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

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Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Walter J. Puchalski Municipal Building
212 Main Street, Northampton
Meeting Date: May 16, 2019
Meeting Time: 7:00 p.m.

1. Public Comment

2. Roll Call

3. Public Hearings

A. Announcement of Public Hearing - 19.043 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Burts Pit Road (Petition #27859494)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 @ 7:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, on the petition of National Grid/Verizon New England to erect poles and wires upon, along, under or across one or more public ways. Pole Petition #27859494 - Burts Pit Road.

Documents:

[19.043 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

[19.043 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Burts Pit Road.pdf](#)

4. Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

A. Announcement of Public Hearing - City Council Budget Hearings June 5th and 6th, 2019

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, and in accordance with Section 7-4 of the Charter of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider the Proposed FY2020 Budget commencing on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, and continuing on Thursday, June 6, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

5. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

6. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

A. FY2020 Budget Message

7. Resolutions

8. Presentations

A. Presentation of FY2018 Independent Audit

Scanlon & Associates

Documents:

[FY2018 Management Letter.pdf](#)

[FY2018 Single Audit Report.pdf](#)

[Report on the Examination of Basic Financial Statements - FYY2018.pdf](#)

9. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of May 2, 2019

Documents:

[05-02-2019_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 19.079 Appointments to Various Committees

Community Preservation Committee

Linda Morley, 244 Prospect Street, Northampton

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Housing Partnership

Patrick Boughan, 95 Straw Avenue, Florence

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Alexander Jarrett, 8 High Street, Florence

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Gordon Shaw, 582 Haydenville Road, Leeds

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Planning Board

Tess Perrone Poe, 32 Masonic St., #4, Northampton

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Whiting Street Fund Committee

Michael Quinlan, 712 Bridge Road, Northampton

Term: July 2019- June 2022

Reappointment

Documents:

[19.079 Appointments to Various Committees.pdf](#)

[19.079 Mayors Appointment Memo.051619.pdf](#)

C. 19.080 Application for Second Hand Dealer License for Birdhouse Music

Renewal License for:

Sun Music, LLC, d/b/a Birdhouse Music, 164 Main Street

Petitioner: Glenn Alper

Documents:

[19.080 Application for Second Hand Dealer License for Birdhouse Music.pdf](#)

10. Recess for Committee on Finance (See Separate Agenda)

11. Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)

Rule 2.6 requires the Finance Committee to consider certain financial matters.

A. 19.075 An Order to Authorize Borrowing \$15 Million for Electrical and Process Upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.075 An Order to Authorize Borrowing 15 Million for Electrical and Process Upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.pdf](#)

B. 19.076 An Order for FY2019 Budget Transfers - 1st Reading

Process note: The Mayor's office respectfully requests two readings to allow the Auditor to quickly update the general ledger so departments can work with real-time budget balances as they close out the fiscal year.

Documents:

[19.076 An Order for FY2019 Budget Transfers.pdf](#)

C. 19.077 An Order to Establish Marijuana Community Impact Fee Stabilization Fund - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.077 An Order to Establish Marijuana Community Impact Fee Stabilization Fund.pdf](#)

D. 19.078 An Order to Dedicate Marijuana Host Community Fees to Marijuana Community Impact Fee Stabilization Fund - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.078 An Order to Dedicate Marijuana Host Community Fees to Marijuana Community Impact Fee Stabilization Fund.pdf](#)

12. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 19.048 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash to Cover Snow and Ice Deficit - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 5/2/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 5/2/2019

Documents:

[19.048 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash to Cover Snow and Ice Deficit.pdf](#)

B. 19.049 An Order to Authorize Taking of Triangular Parcel at Intersection of Riverside, Elm and Milton - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 5/2/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 5/2/2019

Documents:

[19.049 An Order to Authorize Taking of Triangular Parcel at Intersection of Riverside, North Elm and Milton.pdf](#)

[19.049 Riverside Order of Taking.pdf](#)

[19.049 Riverside Taking Plan.pdf](#)

C. 19.061 An Order to Appropriate Compensation for and Authorize Eminent Domain Taking of Land of Damon - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 5/2/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 5/2/2019

Documents:

[19.061 An Order to Appropriate Compensation for and Authorize Eminent Domain Taking of Land of Damon.pdf](#)

[19.061 Damon Deed.pdf](#)

[19.061 Damon Plan.pdf](#)

D. 19.064 An Order to Appropriate Money and Authorize Takings by Eminent Domain for Damon Road Reconstruction - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 5/2/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 5/2/2019

Documents:

[19.064 An Order to Appropriate Money and Authorize Takings by Eminent Domain for Damon Road Reconstruction.pdf](#)

[19.064 Damon Rd Parcel Valuations.pdf](#)

[19.064 Damon Road Alteration Plans.pdf](#)

[19.064 Damon Road Easements.pdf](#)

[19.064 Supplementary Plans.pdf](#)

13. Orders

14. Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

Rule 5.2.3 provides that no ordinance shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Legislative Matters.

A. **19.068 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Add Definitions of Short-Term Rental and Owner-Occupied Dwelling**

Documents:

[19.068 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Add Definitions of Short-Term Rental and Owner-Occupied Dwelling.pdf](#)

B. **19.069 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in WSP, SC, SR and RR Districts**

Documents:

[19.069 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in the WSP, SC, SR and RR Districts.pdf](#)

C. **19.070 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in URA and URB Districts**

Documents:

[19.070 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in the URA and URB Districts.pdf](#)

D. **19.071 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in the URC District**

Documents:

[19.071 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in the URC District.pdf](#)

E. **19.072 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in GB and NB Districts**

Documents:

[19.072 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in GB and NB Districts.pdf](#)

F. **19.073 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Short-Term Rentals in the CB, EB, HB and OI Districts**

Documents:

**G. 19.074 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Bed and
Breakfasts and Short-Term Rentals in the PV District**

Documents:

19.074 An Ordinance to Amend Zoning to Allow Bed and Breakfasts and
Short-Term Rentals in the PV District.pdf

15. Ordinances

**A. 18.223 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Pleasant Street -
2nd reading**

History:

- City Council referred to Legislative Matters - 1/3/2019
- Negative recommendation w/request for referral back to TPC for reconfiguration, LM - 1/14/2019
- City Council referred to TPC - 1/17/2019
- TPC referred to Disability Commission - 3/19/2019
- Letter recommending relocation of handicapped space, Disability Commission - 3/23/2019
- Positive recommendation with change of location to in front of Roberto's, TPC - 4/23/2019
- Passed 1st reading as amended to relocate space - 5/2/2019

Documents:

18.223 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Pleasant Street - as amended by
TPC.pdf

18.223 Diagram Showing Location in Front of Robertos.pdf

18.223 Disability Commission Letter re Pleasant Street Handicapped
Space.032319.pdf

**B. 18.231 An Ordinance Relative to Large-Scale Ground-
Mounted Solar Arrays - 1st reading**

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters Committee and Planning Board - 1/17/2019
- Joint Public Hearing, LM and PB - 2/11/2019 (PB hearing continued to 3/28/2019; LM continued to 4/8/2019)
- Alternate version proposed by Public Shade Tree Committee
- PB opted for its own amendments; positively recommended ordinance as amended - 3/28/2019
- Public Shade Tree Committee endorsement withdrawn
- At LM hearing, PB and PSTC advocated for two different thresholds of review: 1 acre vs. 3 acres - LM continued to 5/13/2019 with request that PB and PSTC reach consensus
- Compromise language reached between PB and PSTC; PSTC endorsement restored
- Positive recommendation of version representing consensus of PB & PSTC, LM - 5/13/2019

Documents:

**C. 19.039 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street,
Florence - 1st reading**

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters - 4/4/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 5/13/2019

Documents:

[19.039 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street, Florence.pdf](#)
[19.039 Diagram of Main Street Parking.pdf](#)

**D. 19.052 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Chestnut Street -
1st reading**

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters - 5/2/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 5/13/2019

Documents:

[19.052 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Chestnut Street.pdf](#)
[19.052 Chestnut Street Parking Diagram.pdf](#)

**E. 19.062 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 5 of the Code of
Ordinances by Amending Section 5-7 Special Municipal
Employees - 1st reading**

History:

- Referred to LM - 5/2/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 5/13/2019

Documents:

[19.062 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 5 of the Code of Ordinances by
Amending Section 5-7 Special Municipal Employees.pdf](#)

**16. Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study
Requests**

17. New Business

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