



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: September 19, 2019
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

- 1. Public Comment**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Public Hearings**
- 4. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs**
- 5. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors**
- 6. Resolutions**
- 7. Consent Agenda**

A. Minutes of September 5, 2019

Documents:

[09-05-2019_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 19.124 Appointments to Various Committees - all positive recommendations, City Services - 9/9/2019

Arts Council

Eamonn Crowley-Edge, 56 Summer Street, Northampton

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Central Business Architecture Committee

Melissa Frydio, 123 South Street, #2, Northampton

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Bridget Goggins, 783 Bridge Road, Northampton- (Association of Realtors member)

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Housing Partnership

Richard Abuza, 245 Chestnut Street, Florence

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Planning Board

Euripedes De Oliveira, 35 New South Street, #205, Northampton

Term: July 2019-June 2022

Reappointment

Documents:

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

C. 19.139 Appointments to Various Committees - for referral to City Services

Trust Fund Committee

Katherine Foote Newman, 697 Bridge Road, Northampton

Term: July 2019 to June 2022

Reappointment

Housing Partnership

Reverend Todd Weir, 124 Moser Street, Northampton

Term: July 2019 to June 2022

Reappointment

Parks and Recreation Commission

Kathleen M. Elliott, 39A Florence Street, Leeds

Term: October 2019-June 2021

To fill the unexpired term of Carol Bertrand

Planning Board

Alan Verson, 508 Kennedy Road, Leeds (**Full Member**)

Term: October 2019-June 2022

To fulfill the unexpired term of Tess Perrone Poe

David Whitehill, 60 Washington Avenue, Northampton (**Associate Member**)

Term: October 2019-June 2021

To fulfill the unexpired term of Alan Verson

Documents:

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

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

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

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

A. 19.130 An Order to Increase Energy and Sustainability

Revolving Fund Threshold from \$150,000 to \$250,000 - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.130 An Order to Increase Energy and Sustainability Revolving Fund Threshold from 150,000 to 250,000.pdf](#)

B. 19.133 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.133 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers.pdf](#)

C. 19.134 An Order to Appropriate Stabilization Funds to Police Station Remediation - 1st reading

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested.

Documents:

[19.134 An Order to Appropriate Stabilization Funds to Police Station Remediation.pdf](#)

D. 19.135 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.135 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days.pdf](#)

10. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 19.126 An Order to Appropriate Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Funds \$6,157 for Burts Pit Road Reconstruction - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/5/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 9/5/2019

Documents:

[19.126 An Order to Appropriate Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Funds 6,157 for Burts Pit Road Reconstruction.pdf](#)

B. 19.127 An Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western Mass - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/5/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 9/5/2019

Documents:

[19.127 An Order to Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement for Young Adult Empowerment Collaborative of Western Mass.pdf](#)

C. 19.129 An Order Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center Roof for Solar Panels - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/5/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 9/5/2019

Documents:

[19.129 An Order Authorizing the Lease of the Senior Center Roof for Solar Panels - as amended.pdf](#)
[19.129 Senior Center Roof Schematic.pdf](#)

11. Orders

A. 19.138 An Order to Authorize Community Choice Aggregation to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.138 An Order to Authorize Community Choice Aggregation to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions.pdf](#)

12. Petitions for Street Acceptances (for referral to Planning Board)

Process note: The process begins with a petition filed with the City Council. The council must refer the petition to the Planning Board and may not proceed to lay out the way until it receives a report from the Planning Board or 45 days has elapsed from the referral without such report.

The council, or an authorized committee thereof, must hold a hearing to adjudicate whether convenience and necessity require the laying out of the way.

Prior to the hearing, the council must give notice to the city clerk with a copy of the petition at least 15 days prior to the hearing. Notice must be posted in two public places and published in the newspaper at least 7 days prior to the hearing. Notice must be mailed by regular mail to 'recorded owner of land subject to a taking' at least 7 days prior to the hearing.

If at the hearing "no person interested objects" the council may proceed to lay out the way within 12 months. If the council determines that "common convenience and necessity" would be served by the laying out of the way, the council must make the necessary takings to acquire the easements needed for the way.

Documents:

[18.021 Seewald Memo re Layout of Public Ways.pdf](#)
[19.131 Lyn Simmons Email re Street Acceptance Petitions.pdf](#)

A. 19.131 Petition for North Street Acceptance

Documents:

[19.131 North Street Street Acceptance Plan.pdf](#)

[19.131 Petition for North Street Acceptance.pdf](#)

B. 19.132 Petition for Finn Street Acceptance

Documents:

[19.132 Finn Street Street Acceptance Plan.pdf](#)

[19.132 Petition for Finn Street Acceptance.pdf](#)

13. 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. 19.136 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 Vehicles and Traffic

Documents:

[19.136 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 Vehicles and Traffic.pdf](#)

B. 19.137 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 Vehicles and Traffic

Documents:

[19.137 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312 Vehicles and Traffic.pdf](#)

14. Ordinances

A. 19.102 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Glendale Road - 1st reading

History:

- Referred by City Council to Legislative Matters (LM) - 7/11/2019
- LM continued to 9/9/2019 due to lack of quorum - 8/12/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 9/9/2019

Documents:

[19.102 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Glendale Road.pdf](#)

[19.102 Glendale Road Parking Diagram.pdf](#)

B. 19.105 An Ordinance to Rezone Five Parcels from General Industrial to Office Industrial - 1st reading

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters (LM) and Planning Board (PB) - 7/11/2019
- PB held public hearing and recommended adoption - 8/8/2019
- LM public hearing opened and continued to 9/9/2019 - 8/12/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 9/9/2019

Documents:

[19.105 An Ordinance to Rezone Five Parcels from General Industrial to Office Industrial.pdf](#)

C. 19.110 An Ordinance Relative to Bus Stops on Bridge Street - 1st reading

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters (LM) - 7/11/2019
- LM discussion/action deferred to 9/9/2019 - 8/12/2019
- Positive recommendation, LM - 9/9/2019

Documents:

[19.110 An Ordinance Relative to Bus Stops on Bridge Street.pdf](#)

15. Other Matters

Designate the Community Resources Committee (CRC) as voting representatives for the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and direct the CRC to make recommendations on voting to the full City Council for consideration in two readings on November 21, 2019 and to transmit the opinion of the entire council as adopted - 2nd reading

History:

-The following motion passed in 1st reading, 9/5/2019: move to refer discussion of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) to the Community Resources Committee which in turn will make a recommendation that will come back to the full council for a vote on November 21, 2019 and further, to ask for consideration of suspension of the rules to allow two votes at that meeting with the friendly amendment that the four designees be the members of the committee and that the designees be bound to transmit the opinion of the entire City Council as adopted.

Process note: The city solicitor was consulted and advised that the motion passed in first reading should be repeated in its entirety.

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

17. New Business

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