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CITY COUNCIL *CITY OF NORTHAMPTON* MASSACHUSETTS

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF
THE 2024 – 2025 CITY COUNCIL
Wednesday, January 3, 2024, 4 P.M.
212 Main Street, Northampton, MA
JOIN MEETING: [PUBLIC MEETING LINK](#)**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CALLING INTO THE MEETING

For telephone call-in, call:

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Enter Meeting ID: 865 1460 3930

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AGENDA

- ROLL CALL**
- ELECTION OF A CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2024 – 2025**
- ELECTION OF A CITY COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT FOR 2024 – 2025**
- APPOINTMENT OF ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2024 – 2025**
- [24.001 An Order to Adopt City Council Rules for 2024 – 2025](#)**
- FORMAT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**
Process note: On March 29, 2023, Governor Healey signed into law a supplemental budget bill which, among other things, extends the temporary provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law to March 31, 2025. Specifically, this further extension allows public bodies to continue holding meetings remotely without a quorum of the public body physically present at a meeting location, and to provide "adequate, alternative" access to remote meetings. The language does not make any substantive changes to the Open Meeting Law

other than extending the expiration date of the temporary provisions regarding remote meetings from March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2025.

Consideration of options:

- ❖ Continue hybrid model (would allow remote participation by councilors as needed per updated rules and acceptance of public comment by remote participation)
- ❖ Adopt schedule calling for mix of hybrid/remote meetings
- ❖ All remote (teleconference)

- ❑ **OPEN MEETING LAW, CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND PUBLIC RECORDS LAW – ATTORNEY SEEWALD**
- ❑ **24.002 AN ORDER TO SET DATE AND TIME OF 2024 – 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS – SINGLE READING ONLY REQUIRED**
[24.002 An Order](#) to Set Date and Time of 2024-2025 Council Meetings
- ❑ **Administrative Items; i.e. - City Council Committee Preferences, etc.**
- ❑ **Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study Requests**
- ❑ **NEW BUSINESS**
- ❑ **ADJOURN**

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