



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: March 7, 2019
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

1. Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

This meeting may be audio/video recorded for broadcast by Northampton Community Television.

2. Public Comment

3. Roll Call

4. Public Hearings

A. 7:05 pm Public Hearing to consider FY 2020 Water and Sewer Rates

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 7:05 p.m. in Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA to consider the proposed FY2020 water and sewer rates and hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

5. Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

A. Charter Review update

B. Finance Committee Update on FY2020 Independent Audit Procurement Process

At a special meeting February 26, 2019, the Finance Committee voted unanimously 3:0 with one absent (Councilor Carney) to recommend awarding the contract for FY2020 auditing services/extending the contract for auditing services with Scanlon & Associates for another year.

Documents:

[GFOA and DOR Recommendation.pdf](#)

6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

8. Resolutions

A. 19.003 A Resolution to Adopt the Capital Improvement Program for FY2020-FY2024 Submitted to City Council on February 4, 2019 - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 2/21/2019

Documents:

[19.003 A Resolution to Adopt the Capital Improvement Program for FY2020-FY2024 Submitted to City Council on February 4, 2019.pdf](#)

B. 19.006 A Resolution in Support of Changing the Massachusetts State Flag and Seal - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 2/21/2019

Documents:

[19.006 A Resolution in Support of Changing the Massachusetts State Flag and Seal - FINAL.pdf](#)

[19.006 A Resolution in Support of Changing the Massachusetts State Flag and Seal - as amended.pdf](#)

C. 19.012 A Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Pesticide Reduction - 1st reading

Process note: Council Rule 2.6.3 SELECT COMMITTEES provides that, "The City Council may establish select committees for the purpose of considering a particular policy or issue or for other purposes."

Documents:

[19.012 A Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Pesticide Reduction.pdf](#)

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of January 31, 2019 Joint City Council/School Committee Meeting and Minutes of February 21, 2019

Documents:

[01-31-2019 Joint City Council and School Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[02-21-2019_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 18.241A Appointments to Various Committees, all positive recommendations, City Services - 3/4/2019

Process note: The appointment of Elizabeth Silver to the Northampton Housing Authority was forwarded to the full City Council with a positive recommendation on February 21, 2019

Housing Partnership

Dan Krassner, 16 Winslow Avenue, Florence

Term: March 2019 to June 2022

To fill a vacancy on the Housing Partnership

Human Rights Commission

Rachel Maione, 392 Chesterfield Road, Leeds

Term: March 2019 to June 2019

To fill the unexpired term of Brian Barnes

Megan Paik, 9 Laurel Street, Northampton

Term: March 2019 to June 2022

To fill a vacancy on the Human Rights Commission

Documents:

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

C. 19.008 Appointments to Various Committees, all positive recommendations, City Services - 3/4/2019

Arts Council

Rachel Hart, 211 Elm Street, Unit 2A, Northampton

Term: March 2019 - June 2021

To fill a vacancy on the Arts Council

Historical Commission

Emily Estes Baillargeon, 19 Allison Street, Northampton

Term: March 2019 to June 2019

To fulfill the remaining term of Bruce Kriviskey

Housing Partnership

Carmen Junno, 73 Straw Avenue, Florence

Term: March 2019 to June 2019

To fill a vacancy on the Housing Partnership

Documents:

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

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

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

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

A. 19.009 An Order to Establish Water and Sewer Rates for FY2020 - 1st reading

Process note: Per the Administrative Code, Part 1 Administrative Organization, Chapter 6 Public Works Division: "The department makes annual recommendations to the Mayor for water and sewer rates, which shall be subject to the approval of the City Council."

Documents:

[19.009 DPW Recommendation on Water-Sewer Rates.pdf](#)

[19.009 An Order to Establish Water and Sewer Rates for FY2020.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 19.002 An Order to Purchase, Declare Surplus and Donate Land on Easthampton Road to Massachusetts Audubon Society for Conservation Purposes - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 2/21/2019

- Passed 1st reading - 2/21/2019

Documents:

[19.002 An Order to Purchase, Declare Surplus and Donate Land on Easthampton Road to Massachusetts Audubon Society for Conservation Purposes.pdf](#)

B. 19.004 An Order to Reprogram Memorial Hall Repairs Surplus to Senior Center Repairs - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 2/21/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 2/21/2019

Documents:

[19.004 An Order to Reprogram Memorial Hall Repairs Surplus to Senior Center Repairs.pdf](#)

C. 19.005 An Order for FY2019 Budget Transfers - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 2/21/2019
- Passed 1st reading - 2/21/2019

Documents:

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

14. Orders

A. 19.001 An Order to Join the ICC to Vote on the IECC - 1st reading

Documents:

[19.001 An Order to Join ICC to Vote on IECC - clean.pdf](#)

15. 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. 19.011 An Ordinance Relative to Bicycle Share Services

Documents:

[19.011 An Ordinance Relative to Bicycle Share Services.pdf](#)

16. Ordinances

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

18. New Business

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