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Meeting Agenda
On-line Video Conference
Meeting Date: April 15, 2021
Meeting Time: 7 p.m.

The April 15, 2021 City Council meeting will be held via remote participation. The public can follow the council's deliberations by watching the meeting live on Comcast channel 15, live-streaming it on YouTube or joining the virtual meeting by phone or computer. For the active YouTube link, please see Northampton Open Media's website: <http://northamptonopenmedia.org/>

Live public comment will be available using telephone call-in or video conferencing technology beginning at 7 p.m.

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1. Announcement that Meeting is Being Held Via Remote Participation and Audio/Video Recorded

This meeting is being held via remote participation and audio/video recorded.

2. Public Comment

3. Roll Call

4. Public Hearings

A. **Announcement of Public Hearing on 21.197 National Grid/Verizon Petition for Installation of Underground Conduit Damon Road (Petition#23303524)**

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 7:05 p.m.** on National Grid/Verizon New England's petition to install underground conduit on Damon Road (Petition #23303524). Instructions for accessing the hearing may be found on the May 6, 2021 City Council agenda to be posted on the city website (www.northamptonma.gov) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[21.197 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

[21.197 Distribution Civil Drawings - REVISED.pdf](#)

[21.197 REVISED National Grid Petition for Installation of Underground Conduit on Damon Road.pdf](#)

B. **7:05 pm Public Hearing on 21.200 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Warner Street (Petition#30293688)**

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 7:05 p.m.** on National Grid/Verizon New England's petition to install one jointly-owned pole on Warner Street to serve two new homes (Petition# 30293688). The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[21.200 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

[21.200 REVISED Cover Letter.pdf](#)

[21.200 Sketch.pdf](#)

[21.200 REVISED National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Warner Street.pdf](#)

5. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

8. Resolutions

A. 21.231 A Resolution Declaring a Climate Emergency - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.231 A Resolution Declaring a Climate Emergency.pdf](#)

B. 21.233 A Resolution to Review and Revise the Rules and Committees of the City Council - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Note: Council President to come up with structure and composition of Select Committee for second reading.

Documents:

[21.233 A Resolution to Review and Revise the Rules and Committees of the City Council.pdf](#)

9. Presentations

A. 2020 Special Committee for Review of Ordinances - Final Report

Presentation and Discussion with Ordinance Review Committee Members

Documents:

[FINAL Report of 2020 Special Committee for Review of Ordinances.pdf](#)

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of March 4, 2021 and March 18, 2021

Documents:

[03-04-2021_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

[03-18-2021_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 21.206 Appointment of David Whitehill to the Planning Board, positive recommendation, City Services Committee - 4/5/2021

Planning Board

David Whitehill (Full Member), 60 Washington Avenue, Northampton

Term: March 2021-June 2022

To fill the term of resigned full member, Alan Verson

Documents:

[21.206 Appointment of David Whitehill to the Planning Board.pdf](#)

C. 21.210 Appointment to Planning Board - positive recommendation, City Services Committee - 4/5/2021

Planning Board

Samuel Taylor (Full Member), 245 North Street, Northampton

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Documents:

[21.210 Appointment to Planning Board.pdf](#)

D. 21.245 Petitions for Secondhand Dealer Licenses

Renewal Licenses for:

Antiques Corner, 81 Loudville Road
Applicant: Louis M. Farrick

Cumberland Rare Books, 9 1/2 Market Street
Applicant: Hosea Baskin

Electric Eye Records, 52 Main Street, #6
Applicant: Andrew Crespo

Norman E. Menard, 25 Garfield Avenue
Applicant: Norman E. Menard

Roz's Place, 6 Bridge Street
Applicant: Timothy Saldo

Sassy Pants Vintage & Used Clothing, 2 Conz St., Unit 2
Applicant: Kathleen Molongoski

The Family Jewels, 56 Green Street
Applicant: Richard J. Stone

Documents:

[21.245 Petitions for Second Hand Dealer Licenses.pdf](#)

E. 21.246 Petitions for Pool Table Licenses - Packards

Renewal Licenses for:

Packards, 14 Masonic Street
Weekday and Sunday Pool Table Licenses
Applicant: Robert E. McGovern

Documents:

[21.246 Petitions for Pool Table Licenses - Packards.pdf](#)

F. 21.247 Petitions for Junk Dealer Licenses

Renewal Licenses for:

Norman E. Menard, 25 Garfield Avenue
Applicant: Norman E. Menard

Richard & Sharon Huntley, 254 Easthampton Road
Applicant: Richard Huntley

Documents:

[21.247 Petitions for Junk Dealer Licenses.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. 21.244 An Order to Acquire and Amend Easements at the Mill River Greenway-Smith College - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.244 An Order to Acquire and Amend Easements at the Mill River Greenway-Smith College.pdf](#)

B. 21.248 An Order to Appropriate CPA Funds for Historic Northampton Collections Storage - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.248 An Order to Appropriate CPA Funds for Historic Northampton Collections Storage.pdf](#)

C. 21.249 An Order to Appropriate \$120,000 in CPA Funds Toward Habitat Housing on Burts Pit Road - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.249 An Order to Appropriate 120,000 in CPA Funds Toward Habitat Housing on Burts Pit Road.pdf](#)

D. 21.250 An Order to Appropriate \$14,500 in CPA Funds to Lilly Library Stair Repair Project - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.250 An Order to Appropriate 14,500 in CPA Funds to Lilly Library Stair Repair Project.pdf](#)

E. 21.251 An Order to Appropriate \$70,000 in CPA Funds for Historic Preservation Plan - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.251 An Order to Appropriate 70,000 in CPA Funds for Historic Preservation Plan.pdf](#)

F. 21.252 An Order to Appropriate \$21,250 in CPA Funds for Damon House/Shepherd Barn Project - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.252 An Order to Appropriate 21,250 in CPA Funds for Damon House - Shepherd Barn Project.pdf](#)

G. 21.253 An Order to Appropriate \$60,000 in CPA Funds for Mill River Greenway Beach Project - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.253 An Order to Appropriate 60,000 in CPA Funds for Mill River Greenway Beach Project.pdf](#)

H. 21.254 An Order to Appropriate \$50,000 in CPA Funds to the Affordable Housing Fund - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.254 An Order to Appropriate 50,000 in CPA Funds to the Affordable Housing Fund.pdf](#)

I. 21.255 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Southeasterly Side of Brierwood Drive - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.255 Order of Taking.pdf](#)
[21.255 Plans - Edbert Homes Inc.pdf](#)
[21.255 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Southeasterly Side of Brierwood Drive.pdf](#)

J. 21.256 An Order Authorizing Waiver of Right of First Refusal for 2.93 Acres off Kennedy Road - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.256 An Order Authorizing Waiver of Right of First Refusal of 2.93 Acres Off Kennedy Road.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. **21.230 An Order to Reprogram Funds to AOM Fire Suppression and Leeds Elementary Parking Lot Repaving - 2nd reading**

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/1/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.230 An Order to Reprogram Funds to AOM Fire Suppression and Leeds Elementary Parking Lot Repaving.pdf](#)

B. **21.234 An Order to Accept DA Sullivan \$10,000 Gift to Fund Public Art Projects - 2nd reading**

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/1/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.234 An Order to Accept DA Sullivan 10,000 Gift to Fund Public Art Projects.pdf](#)

C. **21.235 An Order to Appropriate Marijuana Community Impact Fee \$2.6 Million to Various Projects - 2nd reading**

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/1/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.235 An Order to Appropriate Marijuana Community Impact Fee 2.6 Million to Various Projects.pdf](#)

D. **21.237 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash \$400,000 to Animal Control Facility - 2nd reading**

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/1/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.237 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash 400,000 to Animal Control Facility.pdf](#)

14. Package of 11 Financial Orders to Implement FY2022 - FY2026 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/1/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

A. 21.219 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing \$6 Million for Radio System Upgrade - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.219 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing 6 Million for Radio System Upgrade.pdf](#)

B. 21.220 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing \$450,000 for Hotel Bridge - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.220 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing 450,000 for Hotel Bridge.pdf](#)

C. 21.221 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing \$685,000 for DPW Vehicles - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.221 FY22 CIP - An Order to Authorize Borrowing 685,000 for DPW Vehicles.pdf](#)

D. 21.222 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$500,000 from Capital Stabilization to Arch Street Bridge Repairs - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.222 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 500,000 from Capital Stabilization to Arch Street Bridge Repairs.pdf](#)

E. 21.223 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$25,000 from Cemetery Perpetual Care for Cemetery Projects - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.223 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 25,000 from Cemetery Perpetual Care for Cemetery Projects.pdf](#)

F. 21.224 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$1.8 Million Free Cash to Various Projects - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.224 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 1.8 Million Free Cash to Various Projects.pdf](#)

G. 21.225 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$150,000 from PEG Access Fund to IT Services Projects - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.225 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 150,000 from PEG Access Fund to IT Services Projects.pdf](#)

H. 21.226 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$115,000 from Parking Receipts Reserved for Parking Projects - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.226 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 115,000 from Parking Receipts Reserved for Parking Projects.pdf](#)

I. 21.227 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$215,000 from Sale of Land RRA Account for NPS Projects - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.227 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 215,000 from Sale of Land RRA Account for NPS Projects.pdf](#)

J. 21.228 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$94,575 from Sale of Land RRA Account for Florence Fields Recreation Area - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.228 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 94,575 from Sale of Land RRA Account for Florence Fields Recreation Area.pdf](#)

K. 21.229 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate \$424,000 from Sale of Land RRA Account for Water Line Replacement - 2nd reading

Documents:

[21.229 FY22 CIP - An Order to Appropriate 424,000 from Sale of Land RRA Account for Water Line Replacement.pdf](#)

15. Orders

16. 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. 21.240 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Front Street

Documents:

[21.240 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Front Street.pdf](#)

B. 21.241 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Grove Avenue

Documents:

[21.241 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Grove Avenue.pdf](#)

C. 21.242 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Florence Street

Documents:

[21.242 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Florence Street.pdf](#)

D. 21.243 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street, Leeds

Documents:

[21.243 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street, Leeds.pdf](#)

17. Florence Traffic & Parking Ordinances Sponsored by Transportation & Parking Commission (TPC)

History:

- Scanlon Avenue and Cross Street Stop Signs (21.198 and 21.199) referred by City Council - 3/4/2021
- Pine/Maple/Mann Intersection & Pine Street Parking (21.213, 21.214, 21.215, 21.216) referred by City Council - 4/1/2021
- All positive recommendations, Legislative Matters - 4/12/2021

A. 21.198 An Ordinance Relative to a Stop Sign on Scanlon Avenue - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.198 An Ordinance Relative to a Stop Sign on Scanlon Avenue.pdf](#)

B. 21.199 An Ordinance Relative to Stop Signs on Cross Street - 1st reading

Documents:

C. 21.213 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Pine Street - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.213 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Pine Street.pdf](#)

D. 21.214 An Ordinance Relative to Stop Signs on Maple Street, Mann Terrace and Pine Street - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.214 An Ordinance Relative to Stop Signs on Maple Street, Mann Terrace and Pine Street.pdf](#)

E. 21.215 An Ordinance Relative to Turning Restriction on Mann Terrace - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.215 An Ordinance Relative to Turning Restriction on Mann Terrace.pdf](#)

F. 21.216 An Ordinance Relative to One-Way Street on Mann Terrace - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.216 An Ordinance Relative to One-Way Street on Mann Terrace.pdf](#)

18. Ordinances

A. 20.181 An Ordinance Relative to Affordable Housing (350-6-12) - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Community Resources, Legislative Matters and the Planning Board - 1/7/2021
- Positive recommendation, Community Resources - 2/23/2021
- Joint Planning Board/Legislative Matters Committee public hearing held - 3/8/2021
- Planning Board unanimously recommends adoption (David Whitehill absent) - 3/8/2021
- Positive recommendation, Legislative Matters - 3/8/2021
- Postponed to 4/1/2021 - 3/18/2021
- Amended to delete 'wood' from list of fossil fuels and add "or b) show evidence of Commonwealth funding that requires units be counted on the DHCD SHI"
- Passed 1st reading as amended

Documents:

B. 21.189 An Ordinance to Create an Incentive for Smaller Houses by Allowing Two Half-Scale Units to Count as a Single-Family for Density Purposes - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Community Resources, Legislative Matters and the Planning Board - 2/4/2021
- Positive recommendation, Community Resources - 2/23/2021
- Joint Planning Board/Legislative Matters Committee public hearing held - 3/8/2021
- Planning Board unanimously recommends adoption (David Whitehill absent) - 3/8/2021
- Positive recommendation, Legislative Matters - 3/8/2021
- Postponed to 4/1/2021 - 3/18/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 4/1/2021

Documents:

[21.189 An Ordinance to Create Incentive for Smaller Houses by Allowing Two Half-Scale Units to Count as a Single-Family for Density Purposes.pdf](#)

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

20. New Business

21. Adjourn

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