



CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
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Meeting Agenda
On-line Video Conference
Meeting Date: February 18, 2021
Meeting Time: 7 p.m.

The February 18, 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. 7:15 pm **Public Hearing on 20.173 National Grid Petition for Installation of Underground Conduit on Hockanum Road (Petition #16315676)**

Per M.G.L. Chapter 166, Section 22, the City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 7:15 p.m.** on the petition of National Grid to install underground conduit and associated fixtures on Hockanum Road (Petition #163315676). The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[20.173 National Grid Petition for Installation of Underground Conduit on Hockanum Road \(Petition No. 16315676\).pdf](#)
[20.173 DPW Recommendation.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. **21.193 A Resolution Opposing Internet Data Caps and Committing to Achieving Just Internet Access and Affordability - 2nd reading**

History:

- Amended to add "Be it further resolved" clause endorsing HD663, "An Act protecting internet access during the COVID-19 pandemic" and adding Karen Charles Peterson, Commissioner of MA Department of Telecommunications and Cable to distribution list - 2/4/2021
- Passed in 1st reading as amended - 2/4/2021

Documents:

[21.193 A Resolution Opposing Internet Data Caps - POST 1st rdg.pdf](#)

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of January 21, 2021

Documents:

[01-21-2021_City Council Minutes.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. 21.194 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 3 Votes - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.194 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 3 Votes.pdf](#)

B. 21.195 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash for COVID Expenses Potentially Ineligible for CARES Act Reimbursement - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.195 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash for COVID Expenses Potentially Ineligible for CARES Act Reimbursement.pdf](#)

C. 21.196 An Order to Surplus 56 Vernon Street and Lease for Continued Use as Head Start Daycare and Early Education Facility - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.196 An Order to Surplus 56 Vernon Street and Lease for Continued Use as Head Start Daycare and Early Education Facility.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 21.191 An Order to Acquire Land on Nash Hill Road in Williamsburg for Water Supply Protection - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 2/4/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 2/4/2021

Documents:

[21.191 An Order to Acquire Land on Nash Hill Road in Williamsburg for Water Supply Protection.pdf](#)
[21.191 Plan of Proposed Acquisition on Nash Hill Road.pdf](#)
[21.191 Watershed Zones.pdf](#)
[21.191 Survey of Nash Hill Road.pdf](#)

B. 21.192 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash to City Clerk for Elections and DPW for Asphalt - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 2/4/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 2/4/2021

Documents:

[21.192 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash to City Clerk for Elections and DPW for Asphalt.pdf](#)

14. Orders

A. 21.190 An Order Endorsing the Climate Resilience and Regeneration Plan - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 2/4/2021

Documents:

[21.190 An Order Endorsing the Climate Resilience and Regeneration Plan.pdf](#)
[Northampton Climate Resilience and Regeneration Plan.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.

16. Ordinances

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

18. New Business

19. Adjourn

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