



CITY COUNCIL  
**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON**  
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**Meeting Agenda**  
**On-line Video Conference**  
**Meeting Date: April 14, 2022 Organizational Meeting**  
**Meeting Time: 7 p.m.**

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**1. Announcement that Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded**

This meeting is being audio and video recorded.

**2. Roll Call**

**3. Public Hearings**

**4. Public Comment**

**5. Announcements from Councilors and the Mayor**

**6. Presentations**

**A. Ranked Choice Voting Committee Report and Draft Legislation**

Presentation by Ranked Choice Voting Committee Chair Robert Boulrice

Documents:

[RCV Draft Legislation FINAL.pdf](#)

[RCV Report.pdf](#)

**7. Recess for Committee on Finance (See Separate Agenda)**

**8. Consent Agenda**

Rule 4.4.4 There shall be no debate or discussion by any City Council member regarding any item on the Consent Agenda, beyond asking questions for simple clarification.

Rule 4.4.5 Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of any City Council member prior to the taking of a vote on the motion to approve it. All such items will be considered individually, in the order in which they were removed, immediately following consideration of the Consent Agenda.

**A. 22.064 An Order to Transfer \$1,460 from City Council OM to City Council PS**

Motion to move to the consent agenda approved by City Council on 3/31/2022

Documents:

[22.064 An Order to Transfer 1,460 from City Council OM to City Council PS.pdf](#)

**B. 22.065 An Order to Acquire Property Located on Westhampton Road**

Motion to move to consent agenda approved by City Council on 3/31/2022.

Documents:

[22.065 An Order to Acquire Property Located on Westhampton Road.pdf](#)

**C. 22.069 An Order to Authorize Expending Gift Money for Holiday Lights**

Motion to move to consent agenda approved by City Council on 3/31/2022.

Documents:

[22.069 An Order to Authorize Expending Gift Money for Holiday Lights.pdf](#)

**D. 21.073 Annual License for Louis Farrick of Antiques Corner as a second hand dealer**

Documents:

[21.073 Annual License for Louis Farrick of Antiques Corner as a second hand dealer.pdf](#)

**9. Financial Orders (on 1st reading)**

Rule 2.6.1.1.1 Process. Financial orders will be introduced and discussed at a full City Council meeting and referred to either the consent agenda of a future meeting or the Finance Committee for more public input, discussion and recommendation.

**10. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)**

**A. 22.066 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of Easements for Alteration of Public Ways for MA Safe Routes to School Program (only if returned from Committee on Finance)**

**Process note:** The Planning Board positively recommended alteration of

the portions of roadway as proposed at its regular meeting on March 24, 2022. 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.

Motion to refer to the Committee on Finance was approved by City Council on March 31, 2022.

Documents:

[22.066 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of Easements for Alteration of Public Ways for MA Safe Routes to School Program.pdf](#)  
[22.066 Order of Taking of MA Safe Routes to School Easements.pdf](#)  
[22.066 MA SRTS Street Alteration and Easement Plans.pdf](#)

**B. 22.067 An Order to Alter the Layout of Portions of Certain Streets - Parsons Street, Union Street, Pomeroy Terrace, Hawley Street and Holyoke Street (only if returned by Committee on Finance)**

**Process note:** The process for the laying out, alteration, relocation and discontinuance of public ways is spelled out in [M.G.L. Chapter 82, Section 1](#). The city solicitor has described the [procedure](#) the City Council is to follow based on the steps set forth in this statute.

Motion to refer to Committee on Finance was approved by City Council on March 31, 2022.

Documents:

[22.067 An Order to Alter the Layout of Portions of Certain Streets - Parsons, Union, Pomeroy, Hawley and Holyoke Streets.pdf](#)  
[18.021 Seewald Memo re Layout of Public Ways.pdf](#)

**C. 22.071 An Order to Approve \$50,000 from Short Term Rental Impact Fees to Affordable Housing (only if returned by Committee on Finance)**

Motion to refer to Finance Committee approved by City Council on March 31, 2022.

Documents:

[22.071 An Order to Approve 50,000 from Short Term Rental Impact Fees to Affordable Housing.pdf](#)

## 11. Orders

**A. 21.072 An Order For Special Legislation Relative To Ranked Choice Voting In The City Of Northampton - 1st Reading**

Documents:

[21.072 RCV Legislation Order.pdf](#)

**12. 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.

**13. Ordinances**

**14. Resolutions**

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

**16. New Business**

Rule 4.9 NEW BUSINESS. Any Councilor may introduce any written proposed order, ordinance, or resolution to be considered by the Council at the next meeting, but not to be debated during new business.

**17. Adjourn**

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