CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

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Meeting Agenda
On-line Video Conference
Meeting Date: August 20, 2020
Meeting Time: 7 p.m.

The August 20, 2020 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.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CALLING IN OR JOINING THE MEETING

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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 Package of Four National Grid/Verizon Pole Petitions for King Street/Finn Street

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, September 3, 2020 @ 7:05 p.m. on the following petitions of National Grid/Verizon New England to erect poles and wires upon, along, under or across one or more public ways:
20.079 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for Finn Street (Petition #24891246-5)
20.080 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for King Street (Petition #24881246-1)
20.081 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for King Street (Petition #24881246-2)
20.082 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for King Street (Petition #24881246-3)

The hearing will be held via remote participation. Please see the agenda for the September 3, 2020 City Council meeting for instructions for accessing the hearing.

Documents:

20.079 DPW Recommendation.pdf
20.079 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Finn Street.pdf
20.080 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for King Street.pdf
20.081 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for King Street.pdf
20.082 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for King 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. 20.105 A Resolution in Support of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke - 1st reading

Documents:

20.105 A Resolution in Support of the Soldiers Home in Holyoke.pdf

B. 20.107 A Resolution in Support of Actions to Combat the Public Health Crisis of Systemic Racism - 1st reading

Documents:

20.107 A Resolution in Support of Actions to Combat the Public Health Crisis of Systemic Racism.pdf

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of June 4, 2020, June 18, 2020 and July 9, 2020

Documents:

06-18-2020_City Council Minutes.pdf
06-04-2020_City Council Minutes.pdf
07-09-2020_City Council Minutes.pdf

B. 20.097 Appointments to Various Committees - all positive recommendations, City Services Committee - 7/20/2020

Board of Registrars

Daniel Polachek, 335 South St., Northampton, MA

Term: April 2020-March 2023

Reappointment

Downtown Business Architecture Committee

Aelan Tierney, 30 Francis St., Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Human Rights Commission

Booker Bush, MD, 119 Pine St., Florence, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

License Commission

Helen Kahn, 188 Federal St., Florence, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2026

Reappointment

Parks & Recreation Commission

James Ryan, 56 Leonard St., Leeds, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Documents:

20.097 Appointments to Various Committees.pdf

C. 20.098 Petitions for Annual Second Hand Dealer Licenses

Renewal licenses for the following:

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

Sun Music, LLC, dba Birdhouse Music, 164 Main Street
Petitioner: Glenn Alper

Born Again Vintage & Consignment, 4 Old South Street
Petitioner: Laura Burke

Phoenix Rising, 5 Old South Street
Petitioner: Robert Templeton

Documents:

20.098 Petitions for Second Hand Dealer Licenses.pdf

D. 20.099 Applications for Six (6) Taxicab Licenses, Jeffrey Miller - Cosmic Cab Co.

Applications for Permits for Taxi Cabs for the following vehicles:
- 2001 Chevy Suburban
- 2005 Chevy Magnum
- 2007 Chevy Suburban
- 2008 Dodge Caravan
- 2008 Black Dodge Caravan
- 2008 PT Cruiser

Documents:

20.099 Application for Six Taxicab Licenses, Jeffrey Miller - Cosmic Cab

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E. 20.106 Appointments to Various Committees

Arts Council

Matthew Vanderslice, 231 Elm St. Rear, Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

To fill a vacancy

Lori Steiner, 18 Ridgewood Terrace, Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Board of Health

Dr. Suzanne Smith, 134 State St., Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Conservation Commission

Kevin Lake, 35 Washington Ave., Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Downtown Business Architecture Committee

Emily Wright, 244 South St., Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

To fill a vacancy

Human Rights Commission

Nural Mohammed, 34 Michelman Ave., Apt. 2, Northampton, MA

Term: July 2020-June 2023

Reappointment

Human Rights Commission *(continued)*

Deidre Cuffee-Gray, 2 Burts Pit Rd., Northampton, MA

Term: August 2020-June 2023

To fill a vacancy

Chelsea Villareal, 23A Lyman Rd. Northampton, MA

Term: August 2020-June 2023

To fill a vacancy

Documents:

20.106 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. 20.101 An Order to Accept Donation of Easement for Olander Drive Extension - 1st reading

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested to meet deadline for MassWorks grant application.

Documents:

20.101 Plan of Easement for Olander Drive Extension.pdf

20.101 An Order to Accept Donation of Easement for Olander Drive Extension.pdf

B. 20.103 An Order to Award Contract for FY2021-FY2023 Audit to Scanlon and Associates - 1st reading

Documents:

20.103 An Order To Award Contract for FY2021 Audit to Scanlon and Associates.pdf

20.103 Scanlon Proposal for FY2021-FY2023.pdf

C. 20.104 An Order to Reprogram Surplus from CS Security Upgrade to CS Elevator Roof Project - 1st reading

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested to allow prompt acceptance of the low bid and commencement of the project.

Documents:

20.104 An Order to Reprogram Surplus from CS Security Upgrade to CS Elevator Roof Project.pdf

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 20.091 An Order to Accept Gift of Labor and Materials to Repair Grave of George Hodestia - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 7/9/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 7/9/2020

Documents:

20.091 An Order to Accept Gift of Labor and Materials to Repair Grave of George Hodestia.pdf

B. 20.092 An Order to Accept Gift of Plaque for Grave of Basil Dorsey - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 7/9/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 7/9/2020

Documents:

20.092 An Order to Accept Gift of Plaque for Grave of Basil Dorsey.pdf

C. 20.093 An Order to Accept $3,000 Gift from Ruggles Center for Park Street Cemetery Gravestone Repairs - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 7/9/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 7/9/2020

Documents:

20.093 An Order to Accept 3,000 Gift from Ruggles Center for Park Street Cemetery Gravestone Repairs.pdf

D. 20.094 An Order to Accept Gift up to $100,000 to Replace Fencing at Bridge Street Cemetery - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 7/9/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 7/9/2020

Documents:

20.094 An Order to Accept Gift up to 100,000 to Replace Fencing at Bridge Street Cemetery.pdf

14. Orders

A. 20.102 An Order Adopting the City of Northampton Hazard Mitigation Plan Update - 1st reading

Click here to view Northampton Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020 Update

Documents:

20.102 An Order Adopting the City of Northampton Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.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

Contact: G-L Sciarra, Council President
glsciarra@northamptonma.gov
(413) 570-3133

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
125 Locust Street
Northampton, MA 01060

413-587-1570
Fax 413-587-1576

Donna LaScaleia
Director

Memorandum

To: Donna LaScaleia, DPW Director MC 8-3-2020

From: Maggie Chan, Staff Civil Engineer

Date: August 3, 2020

Re: 4 Pole Petitions for Joint or Identical Pole Locations No. 24881246-1, 24881246-2, 2481246-3, 24891246-5

Joint or Identical Pole Location **No. 24881246-1**

National Grid is proposing to relocate two (2) poles (#21 and #25) on King Street beginning at a point approximately 34 feet northeast of the centerline of the intersection of King Street and North Street and continuing approximately 230 feet in the northwest direction due to DOT roadwork.

There are no conflicts with public utilities at the proposed location for #21.

There is a possibility of a conflict with the sewer at the proposed location of #25. The following is required:

- Caution should be exercised while excavating at this location. The hole for the new pole location shall be inspected by the DPW prior to actual pole installation. 24 hours notice to the DPW is required by calling 413-587-1570.
- If the sewer is disturbed, it must be repaired/relocated by the Contractor at the direction of the City Engineer.

National Grid must obtain an "Excavation/Trench Permit" issued by the City of Northampton prior to construction.

Joint or Identical Pole Location **No. 24881246-2**

National Grid is proposing to install one (1) pole (#28-50) and relocate three (3) poles (#28, #31, and #33) on King Street beginning at a point approximately 67 feet southeast of the centerline of the intersection of King Street and Carpenter Street and continuing approximately 391 feet in a north direction due to DOT roadwork.

There are no conflicts with public utilities at the proposed locations of #28, #28-50, #33.

There is a possibility of a conflict with a water service at the proposed location of #31. The following is required:

- Caution should be exercised while excavating at this location. The hole for the pole location shall be inspected by the DPW prior to actual pole installation. 24 hours notice to the DPW is required by calling 413-587-1570.
- If the water service is disturbed, it must be repaired/relocated by the Contractor at the direction of the City Engineer.

National Grid must obtain an "Excavation/Trench Permit" issued by the City of Northampton prior to construction.

Joint or Identical Pole Location **No. 24881246-3**

National Grid is proposing to relocate three (3) poles (#26, #39, and #40) on King Street beginning at a point approximately 178 feet southeast of the centerline of the intersection of King Street and Hooker Avenue and continuing approximately 290 feet in a north direction due to DOT roadwork.

There are no conflicts with public utilities at the proposed locations for #26, #39, and #40.

National Grid must obtain an "Excavation/Trench Permit" issued by the City of Northampton prior to construction.

Joint or Identical Pole Location **No. 24881246-5**

National Grid is proposing to relocate one (1) pole (#2) on Finn Street beginning at approximately 138 feet southwest of the centerline of the intersection of King Street and Finn Street due to DOT roadwork.

There are no conflicts with public utilities at the proposed location for #2.

National Grid must obtain an "Excavation/Trench Permit" issued by the City of Northampton prior to construction.

nationalgrid

June 10, 2020

The City Council of Northampton, Massachusetts

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed please find four (4) petitions of NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON, covering joint NATIONAL GRID-VERIZON pole location(s)

If you have any questions regarding this permit, please contact:

Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

Please notify National Grid's Lisa Ayres of the hearing date / time.

If this petition meets with your approval, please return an executed copy to each of the above-named Companies.

National Grid: Lisa Ayres; 1101 Turnpike Street; North Andover, MA 01845
978-725-1418

Very truly yours,

Jim Kehrer/lla

Jim Kehrer
Supervisor, Distribution Design

Enclosures

Questions contact - Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

North Andover, Massachusetts

To the City Council
Of Northampton, Massachusetts

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England, Inc requests permission to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

Finn St. - National Grid to relocate (1) JO pole #2 on Finn St. beginning at a point approximately 138 feet southwest of the centerline of the intersection of King St. and Finn St. due to DOT roadwork.

Location approximately as shown on plan attached.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – Finn St. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

24881246-5

Also, for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone, and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a
NATIONAL GRID Jim Kehrer/lla
BY _____
Engineering Department

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.
BY _____
Manager / Right of Way

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JUN 22 2020
CITY CLERKS OFFICE
NORTHAMPTON, MA 01060

Dated: May 12, 2020

Northampton

Questions contact – Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

ORDER FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

To the City Council - Northampton, Massachusetts

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:
that Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC. (formerly known as NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY) be and they are hereby granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated the 8th day of May 2020.

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:
Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonable straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked – Finn St. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

24881246-5 Filed with this order:

There may be attached to said poles by Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England Inc. such wires, cables, and fixtures as needed in their business and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than twenty (20) feet from the ground.

The following are the public ways or part of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the
Of the City/Town of ,Massachusetts held on the day of 20 .

City/Town Clerk.

Massachusetts 20 .

Received and entered in the records of location orders of the City/Town of
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Attest:
City/Town Clerk

I hereby certify that on 20 , at o'clock, M
At a public hearing was held on the petition of
Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for permission to erect the poles, wires, and fixtures described in the order herewith recorded, and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Company is permitted to erect Poles, wires, and fixtures under said order. And that thereupon said order was duly adopted.

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the location order and certificate of hearing with notice adopted by the of the City of Massachusetts, on the day of 20 and recorded with the records of location orders of the said City, Book , and Page . This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

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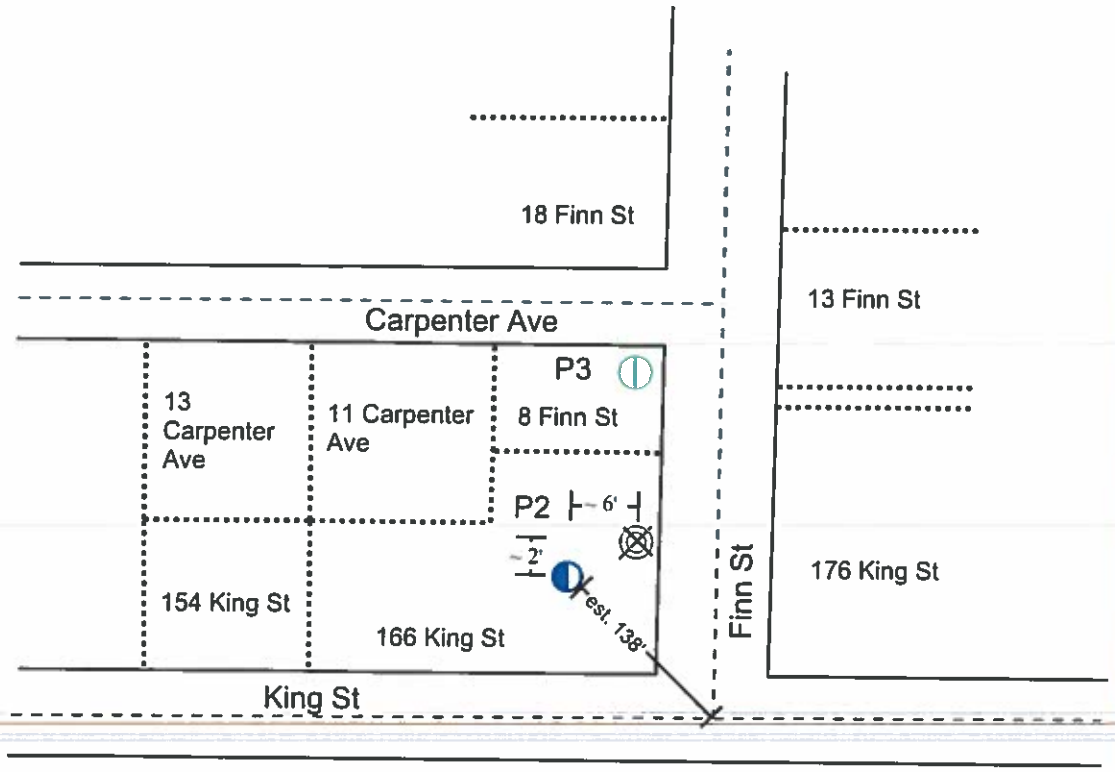

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Property Line
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JOINT OWNED POLE PETITION

- Proposed NGRID Pole Locations
- Existing NGRID Pole Locations
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DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE

nationalgrid
And
Verizon New England, Inc.

Date: 05/05/2020

Plan Number: 24881246

To Accompany Petition Dated:

To The: City **Of** Northampton

For Proposed: **Pole:** 2 **Location:** Finn St.

Date Of Original Grant:

Questions contact - Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

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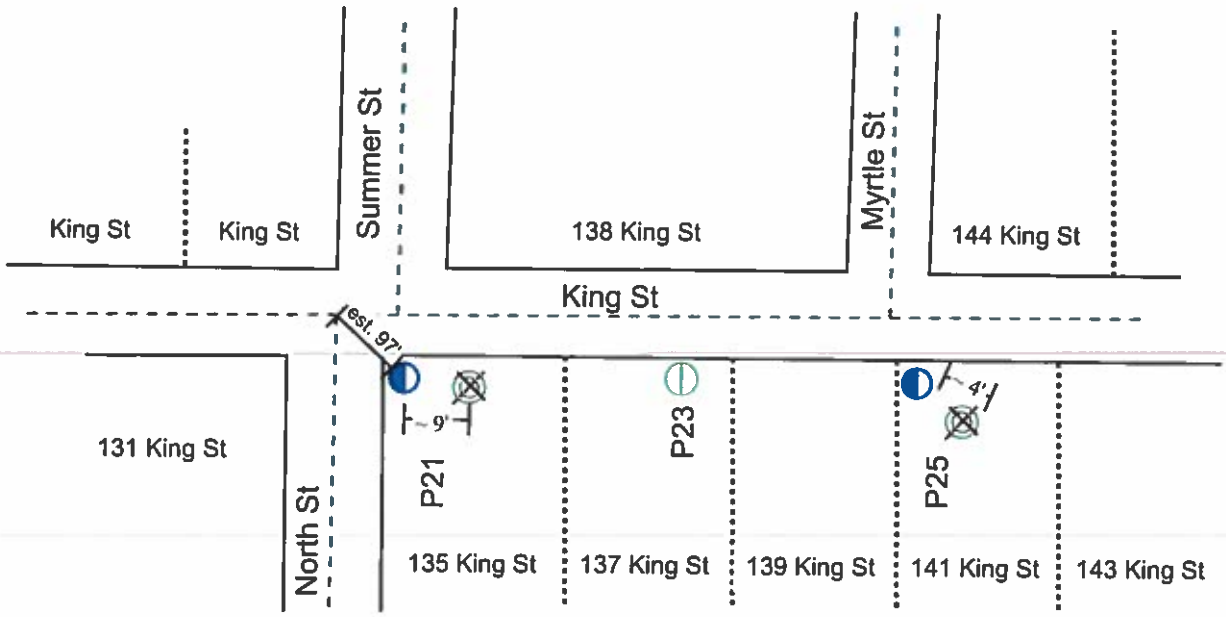

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Date: 5/5/2020

Plan Number: 24881246

To Accompany Petition Dated:

To The: City **Of** Northampton

For Proposed: **Pole:** 21 & 25 **Location:** King St.

Date Of Original Grant:

Questions contact - Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

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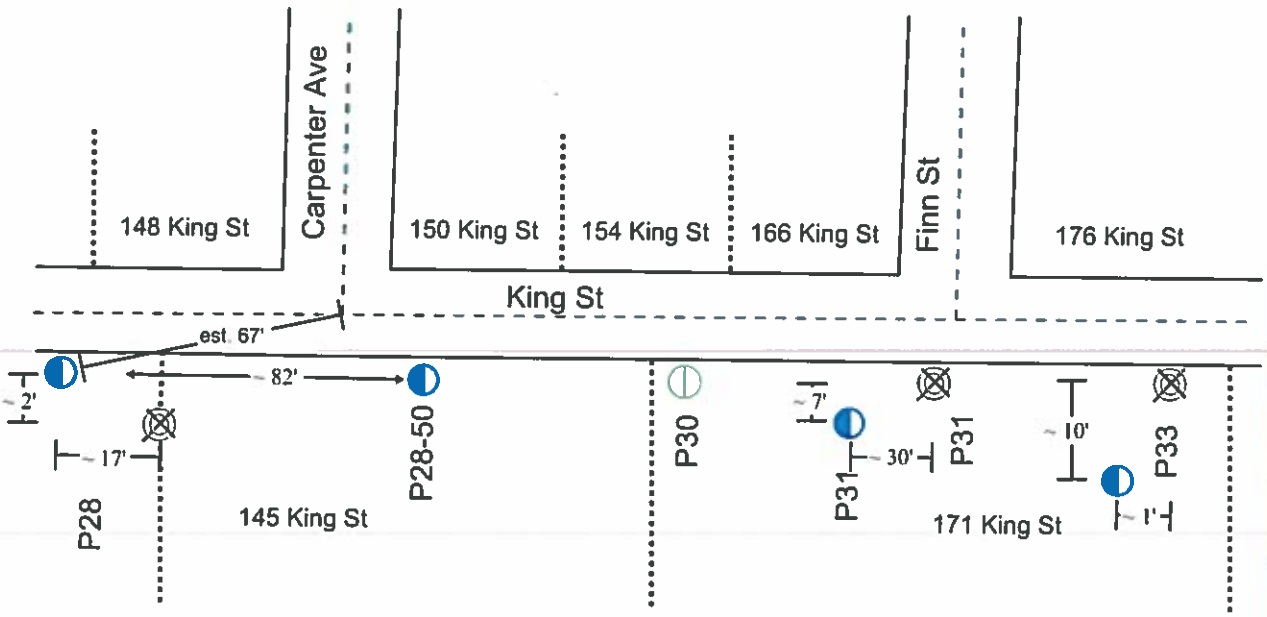

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DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE

nationalgrid
And
Verizon New England, Inc.

Date: 05/05/2020

Plan Number: 24881246

To Accompany Petition Dated:

To The: City **Of** Northampton

For Proposed: **Pole:** **Location:** King St.

Date Of Original Grant:

Questions contact - Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

North Andover, Massachusetts

To the City Council
Of Northampton, Massachusetts

Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England, Inc requests permission to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

King St. - National Grid to relocate (3) JO poles #26, #39 and #40 on King St. beginning at a point approximately 178 feet southeast of the centerline of the intersection of King St. and Hooker Ave. and continuing approximately 290 feet in a north direction due to DOT roadwork.

Location approximately as shown on plan attached.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – King St. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

24881246-3

Also, for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone, and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

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Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a
NATIONAL GRID Jim Kehrer/lla
BY _____
Engineering Department

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.
BY _____
Manager / Right of Way

Dated: May 12, 2020

Northampton

Questions contact – Obrayn Cortes 508-298-1024

ORDER FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

To the City Council - Northampton, Massachusetts

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law,
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:
that Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC. (formerly known as NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY) be and they are hereby granted joint or identical locations for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Companies may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Companies dated the 8th day of May 2020.

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:
Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonable straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked – King St. - Northampton, Massachusetts.

24881246-3 Filed with this order:

There may be attached to said poles by Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and Verizon New England Inc. such wires, cables, and fixtures as needed in their business and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than twenty (20) feet from the ground.

The following are the public ways or part of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the
Of the City/Town of ,Massachusetts held on the day of 20 .

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Received and entered in the records of location orders of the City/Town of
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I hereby certify that on 20 , at o'clock, M
At a public hearing was held on the petition of
Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a NATIONAL GRID and VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. for permission to erect the poles, wires, and fixtures described in the order herewith recorded, and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Company is permitted to erect Poles, wires, and fixtures under said order. And that thereupon said order was duly adopted.

City/Town Clerk.

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Board or Council of Town or City, Massachusetts

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the location order and certificate of hearing with notice adopted by the of the City of Massachusetts, on the day of 20 and recorded with the records of location orders of the said City, Book , and Page . This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

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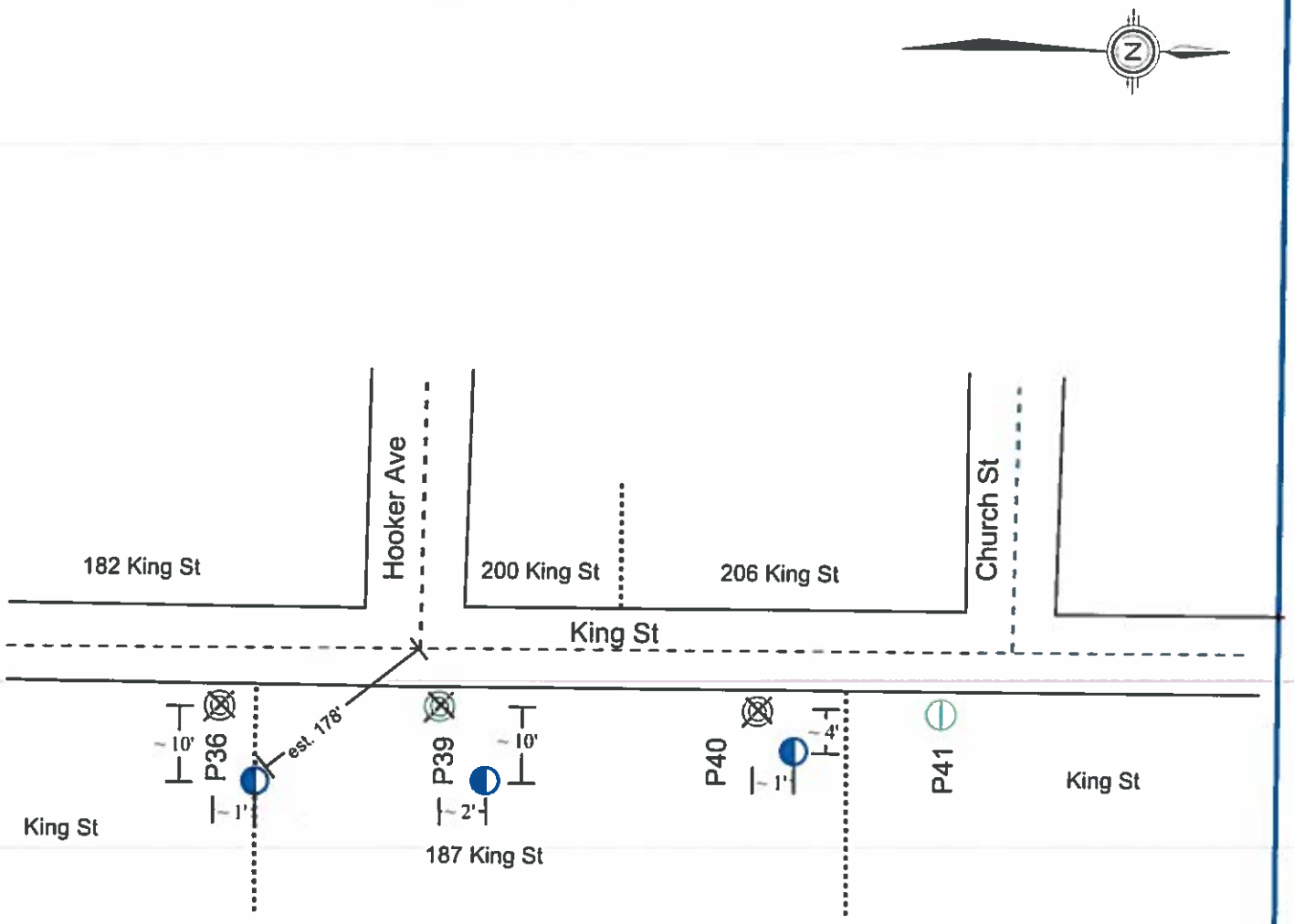

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Date Of Original Grant:

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty
Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, the Northampton Department of Veteran's Services, Councilor Marianne LaBarge and Councilor Michael Quinlan, Jr.

R-20.105
A RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF THE SOLDIERS' HOME IN HOLYOKE

A Resolution honoring the Five Northampton Veterans who lost their lives to COVID-19 at the Holyoke Soldier's Home

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

Whereas America's Veterans have served our country and community, defended our liberties, and should live with respect, and a good quality of life and are entitled to death with dignity.

Whereas in 1952, the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke opened and has provided "Care with Honor and Dignity" to thousands of Massachusetts Veterans for over 68 years and in that time countless Northampton residents have been cared for at the Soldiers' Home;

Whereas in 2010, Veteran rooms at the Holyoke Soldiers' Home were determined by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to be non-compliant with the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standard;

Whereas in 2012, The Massachusetts Division of Capital Assets Management and Maintenence commissioned a Needs Assessment Study that determined that "*of the 278 current beds, less than 5% meet VA Standards*";

Whereas in 2013, a design to add 120 private rooms, as well as convert existing rooms thus creating 278 fully compliant beds, was approved by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) for 65% federal funding; however, the state has repeatedly failed to commit its 35% share of matching funds, required to allow for the start of construction;

Whereas in 2016, a project to create an Adult Day Health Care Program at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke was also approved by the VA for 65% funding; however, it also has never received Massachusetts' commitment for the 35% matching funds;

Whereas in November 2017, with the support of Governor Baker and the Legislature, the state approved $199 million to build a new 154-bed long-term care facility *at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea*; while disregarding the long- documented deficiencies at the Holyoke Soldiers' Home;

Whereas the lack of sufficient space and staff were major contributing factors in the rapid spread of the Novel Coronavirus-19 at the Home which resulted in the deaths of 76 Veterans, including five

Northampton residents, who tested positive for COVID-19. This atrocity is one of our country's worst Veteran tragedies and contradicts Massachusetts' claim of being the best in the nation for Veteran benefits;

Whereas ***all Veterans deserve equal treatment*** in Massachusetts state-funded Veteran Homes; to include the same living conditions as well as proportionate funding to provide for a safe and efficient level of staffing in all departments;

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the sponsors call upon the Northampton City Council to urge Governor Baker and the Massachusetts State Legislature take *immediate action to increase funding* to ensure sufficient staff, equipment and supplies to provide safe care; and to *expedite the design of the new Soldiers' Home in Holyoke* to allow for the construction of fully compliant rooms for 250 Veterans, including a toilet and shower in each bedroom, and the establishment of an Adult Day Health Care Program to meet the VA project submission date of April 15, 2021; in order to provide the best in care for "those who have borne the battle" and sacrificed their safety and well-being to preserve our nation's freedom.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrative Assistant to the City Council shall cause a copy of this Resolution to be sent to Governor Charles Baker, House Speaker Robert DeLeo; Senate President Karen Spilka, Chairs of the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs (Senator Walter F. Timilty, Representative Linda Dean Campbell, Vice Chair Senator Michael F. Rush), State Representative Lindsay Sabadosa, and State Senator Jo Comerford.

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty

Upon the recommendation of Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra, Councilor William H. Dwight and Councilor John T. Thorpe

R-20.107 A RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF AND COMMITTING TO ACTIONS AT THE FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LEVEL TO COMBAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS OF SYSTEMIC RACISM

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

Whereas:

George Floyd, an unarmed African-American man, was asphyxiated by a Minneapolis police officer or officers on May 25th 2020; and

Whereas:

Breonna Taylor, an African-American Emergency Room Technician, was shot eight times and killed in her own home by Louisville police on March 13th, 2020; and

Whereas:

Ahmaud Arbery, an African-American man was shot and killed by two white civilian men while jogging through a South Georgia neighborhood on February 23rd, 2020; and

Whereas:

Mr. Floyd's, Ms.Taylor's, and Mr. Arbey's deaths and the manner of their deaths are yet more examples, in a list of countless examples, of an endemic culture of oppression and racism that exists in our country; and

Whereas:

The widespread revulsion demonstrated by our fellow citizens to this, and to all of the accumulated historical racist actions, requires a reckoning and a commitment from all of us to confront this greatest threat to our society; and

Whereas:

In the absence of presidential leadership, it is incumbent upon local authorities to respond to the suffering that racism inflicts; and

Whereas:

We continue to acknowledge the deaths chronicled in this resolution and all of the racially perpetrated deaths that preceded them, as well as the racial violence and state and federal violence throughout the country that has followed them; and

Whereas:

The City Council of Northampton has for decades decried and condemned by resolution and laws the myriad racist acts committed by individuals and persons in authority; and

Whereas:

The City Council of Northampton will continue to stand unified in our commitment to confront institutional racism, implicit bias, and bigotry in all forms and violence.

Whereas:

On May 29, 2020 the American Public Health Association declared racism an ongoing public health crisis, and on June 7, 2020 the American Medical Association stated that racism is an urgent threat to public health.

Now therefore be it resolved that the City Council of Northampton:

Reasserts its unequivocal opposition to expressions and acts of hate; and

Be it further resolved that:

We will devote our efforts to expanding the challenging but necessary community conversation on racism and on all of our respective culpabilities; and

Be it further resolved that:

We call for increased resources from the Commonwealth for comprehensive anti-racism trainings for state and municipal employees and students; and

Be it further resolved that:

The Northampton City Council supports the Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus' proposed 10-Point Plan to Combat Systemic Racism in Policing and Police Brutality stating:

At the Federal level:

1. Pass Congresswoman Pressley's Resolution to condemn police brutality, racial profiling and the excessive use of force.

2. Improve oversight and independent investigations to hold individual law enforcement officers and police departments accountable.

3. Department of Justice must reassert its statutory authority to investigate individual instances of racial profiling, police brutality and violence and investigate and litigate individual law enforcement officers and police departments routinely violating civil rights.

4. Adopt sound and unbiased law enforcement policies at all levels of government that reduce the disparate impact of police brutality, racial profiling and use of force on Black and Brown people and other historically marginalized communities.

At the State level:

5. Resolve to provide for a "Special Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training" to study and make recommendations concerning the implementation of a state-wide Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) system, H2146, to certify police officers and enable de-certification for misconduct and abuse.

6. Pass An Act to Reform Civil Service Exams, H2292, establishing an Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity to establish guidelines and review for diversity plans for all state agencies, establish a peace officer exam advisory board to review examinations for appointment and promotion of peace officers.

7. Pass an Act establishing a special commission on structural racism, H1440, establishing a commission to study how the systemic presence of institutional racism has created a culture of structural racial inequality which has exacerbated disproportionate minority contact with the criminal justice system in Massachusetts.

8. Adopt clear statutory limits on police use of force, including choke-holds and other tactics known to have deadly consequences. Require independent investigation of officer-related deaths. Require data collection and reporting on race, regarding all arrests and police use of force by every department.

At the Municipal level:

9. Declare Racism is a Public Health Crisis and worthy of treatment, assessment and financial investment in order to eradicate negative health impacts.

10. Create a Civil Review Board/Commission with subpoena power to investigate allegations of law enforcement wrongdoing.

The Northampton City Council acknowledges the steps that the Northampton Police Department has previously taken that align with the Plan, including use of force policies and prohibiting chokeholds, and we assert there is more we can do as a city to combat systemic racism in our municipality and policing. We support the work of the Northampton Policing Review Commission created on July 9, 2020 to study and make informed recommendations for change to the city's approach to policing.

Be it further resolved that:

The Northampton City Council strongly agrees that racism is a public health crisis and in addition to asking to declare it so at the municipal level, asks the Commonwealth to devote the resources needed to combat this crisis at both the state and local levels.

Be it further resolved that:

The Administrative Assistant shall cause a copy of this resolution to be delivered to Governor Charles Baker, Attorney General Maura Healy, Senators Elizabeth Warren and Edward Markey, Congressman James McGovern, Massachusetts Senator Jo Comerford and Massachusetts Representative Lindsay Sabadosa and the Chair of the MBLLC, Representative Carlos González; Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Dr. Monica Bharel; Northampton Director of Public Health, Merridith O'Leary.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONDUCTED AS AN ON-LINE ZOOM MEETING
Northampton, MA

Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President Gina-Louise Sciarra. At 5:04 p.m. on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

At-Large Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra
Ward 1 Councilor Michael J. Quinlan, Jr.
Ward 2 Councilor Karen Foster
Ward 3 Councilor James B. Nash
Ward 4 Councilor John Thorpe
At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight
Ward 5 Councilor Alex Jarrett
Ward 6 Councilor Marianne LaBarge
Ward 7 Councilor Rachel Maiore

Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

Councilor Sciarra announced that the meeting was being held via remote participation and audio and video recorded.

Public Hearings Public Hearing - 20.048 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (Petition #25763215 - two petitions)

Public Hearings
Continuation of a Public Hearing (from June 4, 2020) on 20.048 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (Petition #25763215 - two petitions)
Councilor Sciarra said that, unless there is an objection, she'd like to change the order of the agenda to take the pole petition first. The public hearing was continued when first opened on June 4, 2020, because she did not see a National Grid representative present.

Councilor LaBarge moved to open the public hearing. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Sciarra read the memo from the DPW.

National Grid representative Lisa Ayres described the proposed work. National Grid is proposing to install a new pole (Pole #71) to guy the wires going down Park Hill Road to the solar field. There is currently no way to guy wires from the existing pole on the corner of Park Hill Road and Glendale Road so they have to install a new pole. Without the new pole, the utility would have to place a stub pole across the street pretty much in a neighbor's driveway. As part of the work, Pole #64 will be relocated slightly to move it out of a resident's yard and closer to the street.

Poles #61, #62 and #63 will support the wires running along Park Hill Road to the solar field. The overhead wires will end before the solar field because electric service will go underground from there into the site.

She is aware of the public shade tree issue, Ms. Ayres confirmed. If the poles are approved, National Grid's arborist will attend a public shade tree hearing. As for all utility poles, workers will apply for a trench permit prior to installation.

Brian Thumpayil of Syncarpha Capital, developer of the solar array, said Syncarpha will be sure to address all of the DPW's conditions and hold a tree hearing to obtain approval for removal of any public shade trees.

Councilor Sciarra asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition.

Mimi Odgers of Glendale Road said she had some concerns about the number of shade trees being taken down and didn't know if they were going to be replaced. She shared that a number of trees were removed in connection with another development on Glendale Road and were not replaced.

Ms. Ayres said she understands there is going to be some removal of trees (she is aware of one on Park Hill Road) but knows some locations only require trimming and not removal of full trees. If there is a removal, National Grid has to replace it with another tree and money is allotted in the budget for this purpose. Workers are using what's called Hendrix cable which is kept very tight with a claw, and that minimizes the trimming that has to be done.

	. Councilor LaBarge said she is very happy to hear just one tree is proposed to be removed on Park Hill Road since a large number of trees were taken down for a development a year ago. She wants to make sure there is a follow-up about the trees. Ms. Ayres confirmed that their arborist will go to a public shade tree hearing. Councilor Dwight moved to close the hearing. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.
Discussion of Placing Possible Parameters on Public Comment	Discussion of Placing Possible Parameters on Public Comment Due to the unprecedented number of people queued up to speak and the extremely long agenda, Councilor Sciarra asked fellow councilors if they wanted to set parameters on the length of public comment. While public comment is a defining aspect of their meetings, at least a quorum of councilors have asked her about the possibility of suspending or limiting public comment tonight, she said. She cannot unilaterally suspend the rule requiring public comment as it is a standard agenda item, but a two-thirds majority of the council can vote to suspend any rule, she reminded. It is also possible for the council to set a limit on the overall time allowed, she confirmed. Members discussed, with several councilors saying they would be in favor of limiting public comment but not suspending it. Councilor Nash moved to limit public comment to two hours. Councilor Quinlan seconded. Councilor Jarrett offered a friendly amendment to extend the time to two and a half hours. Councilor Nash noted that the council president has the authority to shorten or extend the time allotted for each individual comment. If individual comments are limited to two minutes, they could probably accommodate all of the speakers in two hours, he suggested. Councilor Sciarra said she would be happy to limit comments to two minutes or a minute and a half. Councilor Foster said she would be in favor of limiting comments to two minutes, and Councilor Quinlan agreed. Councilor LaBarge said she supported both ideas. “I think two minutes is adequate,” she said. Councilor Jarrett’s friendly amendment was not accepted by the motion makers, so Councilor Sciarra called the motion to limit public comment to two hours to a vote. The motion passed 6:3 by roll call vote with Councilors Dwight, Jarrett and Maiore opposed. Councilor Sciarra announced that the council would recess for public comment. The council recessed at 5:37 p.m. The City Council reconvened at 7:44 p.m. Councilor Jarrett requested a seven-minute recess. The Council recessed at 7:44 p.m. and reconvened at 7:56 p.m.
Public Hearing Concerning the Northampton Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY2021-FY2025	Public Hearing Concerning the Northampton Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY2021-FY2025 Although the next item on the agenda was the public hearing on the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025, Councilor Sciarra proposed changing the order of the agenda to first take up the proposed joint framework for review and reform of policing and community safety and the FY2021 budget, since most members of the public were present for these discussions. There being no objection, she proceeded to Updates from Council Presidents and Committee Chairs and Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements from Councilors.
Updates from Council President/ Committee Chairs	Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs Councilor LaBarge announced that the City Services Committee meeting of July 6th is cancelled.
Recognitions and	Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

One-Minute Announcements by Councilors	Councilor Quinlan recognized the passing of Mike Ahearn, former Councilor for Ward 4, and offered condolences to his family. Councilor Maiore recognized all of those who have reached out to her and other councilors and thanked them for their dedication and level of knowledge. Although she hasn't been able to respond to everyone, she has listened to them, read their emails and heard what they had to say, she assured. She thinks the council knows that it is a movement and not a moment. She asked everyone present not to go away but to stick with them through the days ahead. Councilor LaBarge similarly thanked all the residents who have called. She has received 2,000 emails and 435 phone calls, and her phone has been ringing off the hook. She shared her outrage at the killing of George Floyd and discomfort with the reinforced police presence at Saturday's protest along with her determination that Northampton be a role model for other cities throughout Massachusetts. She expressed the opinion that they should look at reinstating a time limit on meetings since it's not healthy for any of them to be there at 3:30 in the morning. Councilor Foster let residents know that the Kiwanis have stepped up to provide vegetarian meals and baked goods for people downtown until the churches are back in service. She recommended it as a volunteer option for anyone looking for a concrete way to help.
Communications & Proclamations from the Mayor Presentation by Mayor & Council President on Proposed Joint Framework for Review & Reform of Policing & Public Safety	Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor Presentation from the Mayor and Council President on Proposed Joint Framework for Review and Reform of Policing and Community Safety Mayor Narkewicz read the document entitled, "Northampton Policing Review Commission, a Joint Special Commission of the Mayor and City Council" aloud. At the last meeting, she and the mayor committed to working together on next steps toward meaningful police reform, including shifting health and safety services out of that department, Councilor Sciarra reminded. Some councilors asked for greater specificity as to the form this process would take, so they agreed to work together this past week to put forward a more concrete proposal. She and the mayor talked Friday and met on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, twice on Wednesday and again today, she related. Both she and the mayor worked many, many hours both together and separately. She thanked him for his collaboration. They decided on a joint commission that could look holistically at policing and community safety since real reform takes examination from both a big-picture overview and a granular level, she reported. Next, they discussed how best to structure the commission. Based on the immense community interest and continued call for resident participation, they decided on a 15-person commission composed primarily of citizen members with a minimum of a majority representation by those most affected by the policies, structures and laws under review. They discussed at length the possibility of separating an area for review and recommendation by a commission convened solely by the city council but ultimately decided that a joint commission empowered to look at the issue in toto was stronger than having parallel processes with two separate bodies exploring the same issue. The latter would either be duplicating work or would hinder the commission by removing a key area of reform from its review, they discussed. It is her hope that the commission's report will have recommendations for either actionable items or areas where further work is needed. From that data-informed position, the council can begin to put forward ordinances, or, if needed, convene a select committee for further work in that area. It is a very ambitious timeline and a lot of work, but this is a moment for informed but decisive action, she suggested. A key objective was making the commission's recommendations available for incorporation into the FY2022 budget. Members asked questions and shared initial reactions to the proposal. In response to a question from Councilor LaBarge about why the full council wasn't involved in the mayor and council president's decision-making, Councilor Sciarra reminded her that the council actually tasked the two of them with development and presentation of a proposal.

Now is the opportunity for councilors to propose modifications or ask for changes, Councilor Dwight pointed out. They charged the mayor and council president to essentially draft a proposal to address residents' concerns. If Councilor LaBarge has recommendations for change, they can discuss those and incorporate them into the document if all agree. They are now in the process of doing that work, he clarified.

Councilor Nash thanked Mayor Narkewicz and Councilor Sciarra for their hard work in creating a process from scratch. He appreciates the long list of items included for review but the fact that discussion/review is not limited to those items. He asked if action is needed from the council to enact the joint commission or if it is something the mayor and council president can do.

The executive branch forms ad hoc committees or commissions all the time to study issues, Mayor Narkewicz noted.

According to the document, the review process for appointment will be determined by each appointing body, Councilor Sciarra explained. The council could have a conversation about how to proceed, she elaborated.

He for one is pleased to have a format for moving forward, Councilor Nash commented.

Councilor Maiore admitted to feeling a little overwhelmed by Councilor Dwight's statement that now is the time to make recommendations since the council is seeing the document for the very first time and has such a full agenda. The agenda lists it as a presentation so she didn't know it would be the time to propose amendments. She asked if there would be an opportunity for them to look it over and come back with changes. She also asked if the proposal includes funding.

Councilor Sciarra referred to the document's statement that "the Mayor shall file a financial order with the City Council to fund consulting or staff support." The council could hold a special meeting to discuss the proposal at greater length, she confirmed.

They tried to be very aggressive with the timeline in order to recognize the immediacy of people's concerns. In fact, he's concerned it may be too aggressive, Mayor Narkewicz shared. They set the last meeting of the calendar year as the deadline for a preliminary report and March as the deadline for the final report. The date by which the body should be impaneled and start its work is just after Labor Day, allowing a time frame of just three months to review some very complex issues.

Councilor LaBarge said she also would like the opportunity to discuss the proposal again and to look more closely at the language.

The council did task the mayor and Councilor Sciarra with presenting a proposal and she wanted to recognize the enormous amount of work and thought that went into that process, Councilor Foster shared. She sees many of the things she was looking for. She has gotten a lot of feedback from people who believe the council needs to work without the mayor so she wanted to publicly state her belief that 'real change comes when we have the buy in of people who can effect that change.' For that reason, it is important to her that it be a joint council-mayoral process. The council is actually appointing more people than the mayor and she is pleased to see strong representation from people of color, she noted. She is happy that the timeline is intended to result in a report before the next budget thereby taking advantage of the immediacy of this moment. She also appreciates that there is a commitment to dedicating city resources to the process because she believes that is critical to its success.

She recognizes the need for a meeting to discuss the council's process for making appointments and appreciates other councilors' calls for another chance to offer input, so she appreciates however that happens, Councilor Foster continued. An opportunity to serve in this way on such an important undertaking in their community needs to be shared very widely and through non-traditional channels. She made a personal commitment to make sure that people who might not normally have access to information from the city have access to notice of this opportunity to serve.

They have heard unequivocally from a number of people speaking to the urgency and pushing

them to be bold, Councilor Dwight observed. In point of fact, they charged both the council president and the mayor with crafting something regardless of how the budget vote shakes out. Everyone seems to be in favor of reducing the role of police. The rebuilding process can involve either blowing things up or dismantling them. The dismantling process involves salvage as well and allows for modification and adjustments when problems arise. He took very seriously the offers of help and participation as they stood out from past calls to action. It is the first time he's heard requests to participate and be involved and requests to inform, make suggestions and recommendations. In all recent municipal elections, only a fraction of people voted and that's historically been true. There's been an enormous amount of engagement in this process that was formerly nonexistent. It's there to exploit and use and to work to effect to actually help them be bold, he suggested.

Embedded in the proposal is the ability for members to define themselves and their process and what they expect to do. They cede this to them because they are soliciting information from people who have unique and personal information they don't share. The thrust is to create a group to work promptly and fast with the objective of dismantling the current structure for public safety and reimagining it - something no other community has done. It roughly parallels what Minneapolis is now doing, he conceded. He offered his thanks. Irrespective of how the vote on the budget turns out, it is a critical step forward and he is grateful for the efforts. Given the pressure and timeline, the effort reflects that they have heard what is being said often and loudly.

After additional questions and comments, Councilor Maiore respectfully repeated her request to continue the conversation to a special meeting, and Councilors Thorpe and LaBarge voiced support. Members agreed to schedule a special meeting for Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)
20.065 Order to Approve FY2021 General Fund Budget - 2nd reading

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20.065 An Order to Approve FY2021 General Fund Budget - 2nd reading
Councilor Sciarra repeated her intention to change the order of the agenda to take 20.065 An Order to Approve FY2021 General Fund Budget next. There was no objection.

Councilor Jarrett repeated that he has a conflict of interest due to a pre-existing contract with the city in which he has a financial interest. The City Council will be removing the single line item pertaining to this contract for separate discussion to accommodate his participation, he advised.

Councilor Dwight moved to put adoption of the FY2021 General Fund budget (not the order itself) on the floor for discussion. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

Councilor Dwight moved to divide the question to separately consider the $38,000 line item in the Central Services Parking Maintenance budget for the Pedal People contract. Councilor Nash seconded. The motion passed 8:0 by roll call vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

Councilor Jarrett read a prepared statement. The last few days, he rode around his ward asking people what they thought about the police budget, he read in part. The stories he heard are complex, but most relate to mental health issues, addiction, lack of housing and domestic violence. These are issues he believes people other than the police would be better equipped to handle in most circumstances with better outcomes for all concerned. Despite good intentions, he thinks police in this country and Northampton function as a tool to manage the inequities of society, which produces injustice for those who are poor, non-white or socially-marginalized. The NPD is known as a model department and does valuable work each day. It is functioning just as a police department should, and that is part of the problem. There are limits to policing and what they are asking police to do. They ask them to be experts in fields that they are not and to do jobs where the presence of armed officers actually makes situations worse. He thinks a different solution is needed to their problems in addition to police reform.

He believes a 35% or even 50% reduction in the police force is an achievable goal given the number of calls the department receives that could be answered by alternatives to policing and research that shows that investing in the human needs of the community reduces the need for policing. The goal is not just to respond to crises in the moment but to seek prevention through community investment. He is really glad the Northampton Policing Review Commission (NPRC) is part of these plans.

He proposed talking about what a reduction would mean for this next fiscal year. He has spoken about not wanting to rush the process and wanting a plan to be in place, but he presented the following reasons for reducing the budget now:

- It would hold the mayor and themselves accountable. Government policy is usually reactive and not proactive. Yes, they are reacting to recent events but that's because these events have catalyzed a huge number of people to take action on problems they've had for a long time. They have to be proactive and push the issue forward; that's how change has usually happened in other communities.

He understands the NPRC timeline is long but he is also confident they could take some steps sooner, he shared. This is a moment in history where they have support to make bold change, and these moments don't come too often.

What will fall out if they reduce policing? He doesn't think it will be the responses to emergencies or major crimes. He thinks it will be some of the building or property checks, the response to minor crimes, the checking up on people who are hanging out, etc. The police can't fix most of their social problems - drugs, for example. Some of the apartment complexes in his ward have extensive problems with drug dealing and the police aren't able to fix that. Why do people deal and use drugs? Let's put resources into solving those problems, he suggested.

- They are in a period of economic contraction. There are many unknown additional costs related to COVID and a likely decrease in state funding; they are going to have to make cuts and decide where they should come from.
- This budget already cuts over 17 positions in other departments and they know more are likely coming.
- They as a council need to retain their power in this process. This is the time they have budgetary power, so he think it's their responsibility to hold that power, especially in a moment such as this. Reducing now will insure that the process moves; the reductions could be gradual throughout the year and the mayor could always ask for more money.

He can't in good conscience support a cut of the size some are requesting without alternatives in place. There are too many unknowns, and he is not willing to risk public safety and the future of this movement in Northampton. If the cut is too large and something happens, it will immediately be pointed to as a failure of that cut. He has looked at the size of their force in relation to many other college towns with tourism and a similar distribution of calls. He thinks they should have a conversation about a 15% cut and what this would mean in terms of freeing up money for the many other needs in the city. They will need near consensus to pass anything tonight so he is putting this forward in a spirit of collaboration. Regardless of what happens, he is committed to moving this forward with input from all members of the community.

Councilor Dwight asked if that was a motion.

No, not at this time, Councilor Jarrett said.

Councilor LaBarge asked Attorney Seewald for clarification of his response to an emailed question from a resident as to whether the city could legally reduce wages promised in a collective bargaining agreement if 'economic exigencies' exist.

Councilor LaBarge read aloud Attorney Seewald's response as follows: "I've consulted with the city's labor counsel and in short, the cited provision should not be used to defund one department and not others. The dire financial issue is not a police issue, it's a citywide issue, and cutting only one department to meet that economic exigency will be seen as a pretext to make changes without bargaining and will not fare well at the Department of Labor Relations."

She asked if it is his legal opinion that they can make cuts to one department but not others. If it is his legal opinion that they can cut departments individually, she asked him to please cite the legal authority he is relying on.

The proposal was to defund the step raises without bargaining, and the proponent cited an NLRB publication that said bargaining could be limited, or that it is a defense to limited bargaining, when there is financial exigency, Attorney Seewald explained. If there is a financial exigency that would

require cutting contractually-obligated wages, that needs to be bargained, he stressed. Cutting step wages in one department claiming financial exigency would not fare well at the Department of Labor Relations because it's not a *police* economic exigency, it's a city-wide exigency. "If you're going to be cutting step raises you better be doing it across the board and not pick one department," he observed. This is actually a defense to failure to sufficiently bargain a change.

"You can cut the budget absolutely. That's absolutely you're right," he affirmed. "What the mayor can't do is defund the raises that were already bargained without further bargaining." The council can cut the budget and leave the Mayor to determine how to allocate remaining funds, he clarified.

Councilor LaBarge asked if he is saying that the city can only legally reduce wages promised in its contract with the NEPBA police union if there are economic exigencies.

No, he is not, Attorney Seewald responded. He is saying the defense of economic exigency is not available to cut step raises in one department. All the council can do is reduce line items in the budget, then the mayor will decide how to proceed. The council does not get to decide what is cut in each line item or how the mayor reallocates those funds.

In response to further questioning from Councilor LaBarge, he stressed that line items can be cut in any departmental budget. He is not saying that the council cannot cut the budget in one department; he is saying the mayor cannot withhold step raises due to financial exigency. The mayor cannot unilaterally decide not to pay bargained raises and claim financial exigency. "You are limited to cutting line items in the budget," he reiterated. "You can cut as many line items in the budget as you wish to cut as a council."

Councilors took turns sharing their thoughts on the budget process and the reform proposal put forward by the mayor and council president. Councilor Quinlan admitted to being a little overwhelmed by the volume of public comment and apologized for his inability to respond personally to each one. He thinks the mayor and council president's proposal addresses complaints he's heard about recent police conduct, in particular, the use of pepper spray and the presence of a tank and dogs at a peaceful protest. The process gives residents "a chance to look at how we really expect our police to behave. I am asking for much better transparency and a clear code of conduct with accountability," he stated.

Councilor LaBarge read the following prepared statement: "I understand that thoughtful change needs time to be implemented successfully. I solidly support that our mayor moved quickly in creating an oversight board for the police and a committee designed to reshape policing in Northampton. We need to condemn police brutality, racial profiling and excessive use of force. We don't have to view everyone as a threat. I feel clearly some serious changes in policy, practice and culture are indicated. That would include replacing police department responsibilities with more qualified professionals such as social workers when a policeman or policewoman retires from the police force. There's no doubt that we need to reimagine what it would look like to get the right responder to the right situation at the right time. Each program needs to be adaptive and to reflect its community. As an example, Northampton is not a large city, and its diversity of residents could benefit from a pilot program or Cahoots model. I have researched the Cahoots model as an example; it has been used in several states. Another suggestion is to have a support team-assisted response put in place by our city. In response to Councilor Foster, Chief Jody Kasper said, 'there's just not a lot of other resources out there, so I would love to have a full-time mental health outreach worker, a civilian who can provide those services and connect people with the other services that they need.' A committee can and should create models to handle public safety without relying on police who have been inappropriately given responsibility for responding to many social problems. As a city we need to look to the future. We need to make our city a model of public safety and support. We all need to work together to make our city a safer, more humanitarian place to live and grow with respect, dignity and equality."

Councilor Foster expressed appreciation to the numerous residents who have reached out, saying she recognizes the incredible courage it takes to stand up and request change from systems impacting them. She gets that reform from within is not what they are seeking. Setting up a police review commission is the beginning of the work of review from the outside. To her, it is a recognition that the challenge is with policing as an institution and not with Chief Kasper and individual officers. She is excited about a move toward a system where a 911 call is routed

appropriately so someone experiencing a mental health crisis, addiction or another condition they've come to criminalize receives a humane and appropriate response. It's important to note that she has talked to a number of people providing social services in the downtown area who have seen and appreciated sensitive responses by the police.

Councilor Foster did take callers to task for speaking out about caring for the community and supporting the most vulnerable while brushing off concern that a large caravan of protestors descending on councilors' homes this past week had frightened her children. And yet, she said she agrees with the goals and the big picture of the protesters. She did see that last year the police actually returned about $500,000 to the General Fund. One thing that concerns her is that an unintended consequence of a budget cut is that the most recent hires are women and people of color, so those would likely be the personnel lost.

She would support Councilor Jarrett's proposed 15% cut with the recognition that it will hold them accountable to progress and to change, she stated. Similar to Councilor Jarrett, she can't in good conscience support something that is going to gut the very department currently fulfilling tasks, despite near unanimous agreement that many are not appropriate. For that reason, she would also support a smaller cut.

Councilor Nash said that, by and large, he supports the nine demands delivered by protestors on the steps of City Hall during a demonstration a week and a half ago and wants to see them handed off to the commission to be explored and discussed. "The demands I find very doable, and I support those," he affirmed.

What he struggles with is the idea of making cuts without a clear plan for providing services. As a human service professional, one of his primary tasks is attending meetings to figure out what services are needed to support an individual. "We are making a plan for a community," he noted. He is just really uncomfortable making cuts without a clear plan for replacing services.

Councilor Dwight thanked Councilor Foster for her remarks and said he also very much appreciated Councilor Jarrett's statement. He offered to move the 15% cut.

He went on to eloquently express his conviction that the movement they are witnessing goes beyond the budget. Irrespective of whether the cut is 0.28%, 15%, 35% or 50%, the objective is to change what it means to police and be policed, since the very concept of policing was predicated and developed to support one class of people at the expense of all the others.

"We are in a year of financial hardship in our city and our country," Councilor Maiore reminded. She expressed the opinion this actually makes it an ideal year to make significant changes to the police department budget. They know more cuts are coming and she doubts they are done with cutting Northampton's budget this year. Northampton resident Anthony Paik, a Sociology professor at the University of Massachusetts, examined the association between town and city population and police size and estimated cities with populations like Northampton typically have 55 average police officers. Northampton has 65 full-time officers with an average salary of $64,082. That's potentially $640,820 in excessive salaries.

They've heard a lot of testimony and she appreciates people sharing their traumatic experiences. Ultimately, this to her is not a referendum on the quality of the NPD. They've heard how they do a lot of jobs other people can do; they've heard how the system itself is embedded with racism and violence and really isn't cut out to keep them safe.

Northampton has been a leader in the area, and they need to lead on this. Now is the time to fund the recommendation of the panhandling report to establish a multi-disciplinary de-escalation team. "We need change, not reform." There's no evidence that reforms like implicit bias and de-escalation training and body cameras are actually preventing negative outcomes or significantly changing anything. Resources in the community bring down the crime rate; not the police. What results in a low crime rate is many things, including social services, resources and prevention.

She takes potential layoffs very seriously, she stressed. She is uncomfortable. It's not easy, but as elected leaders it's their job to make difficult decisions. Ultimately it's not their money, it's the people's money and the people's will. A resident brought up a key point – what evidence do they have that their current level of funding and investment in the police is working? They do know it's

not cost-effective to have police officers do the job of mental health professionals, social service workers and school administrators. She reminded fellow councilors that this not a forever budget; it is a budget for a pandemic year when travel, tourism, prospective visitors and returning students are all expected to be way down. “We can amend the budget at any time; the mayor can come back to us at any time,” she reminded.

“I believe that 35%, 50%, these are achievable goals,” she said. She concluded by asking fellow councilors a series of rhetorical questions:

- Are they confident that the police budget as it is right now is cost-effective for the City of Northampton?
- Are they confident that it is serving all of the people of Northampton?
- What do they think is the right size for the Northampton police budget?

Councilor Thorpe said he’s heard conflicting requests from Ward 4 residents: calls to defund the police by 35% or 50% along with calls to support the police and their funding. “I’m a person who likes to have a plan and likes to have things set out,” he confided. This committee that’s been proposed seems like the perfect way to dive into this subject, reimagine policing and move forward. For him, it’s really about having a comprehensive framework.

Councilor Sciarra quoted Alex Vitale, author of the book “The End of Policing,” as saying, “I’m certainly not talking about any kind of scenario where tomorrow someone flips a switch and suddenly there is no police. What I’m talking about is a systematic questioning of the role police currently undertake and attempt to develop evidence-based alternatives so that we can dial back our reliance on them. And my feeling is that this encompasses the vast majority of what police do. We have better alternatives for them.”

That is not only what they are proposing but what they are committed to doing and ready to do, she stressed. She is not saying a large cut isn’t warranted or possible or the right thing to do. She is saying that to do it without a plan for the services being removed isn’t fulfilling their responsibility. Councilors have heard the plan she and the mayor worked on this past week. It has a fast timeline and puts those most directly affected in charge of a process that will engage in that systematic questioning and make recommendations for evidence-based alternatives. That feels to her like the ‘reform and change from the outside’ Councilor Foster referenced, she concluded.

Discussion continued, with Councilor Maiore pointing out that 17 positions are being cut across the city. In terms of losing services, there’s no plan for replacement of those services. They have no plans for the other cuts, so “why are we kind of favoring this?” She wondered about making a plan for progressive cuts in successive years as some had mentioned.

However, the council doesn’t have the ability to talk about next year’s budget until an order for it has been presented, Councilor Quinlan noted.

Councilor Jarrett explained the odd position councilors are in as far as voting. Five votes are required to pass an amendment, but six affirmative votes are needed for approval of the budget order from councilors other than him since he has to recuse himself. Essentially seven people would have to vote yes [to amend the budget]. This is why he spoke of them needing near consensus and why he wanted to keep having this conversation before making a motion. If he makes a motion and only five people vote affirmatively, it would fail to meet the six or seven, and there wouldn’t be any change.

He is hearing that there wouldn’t be enough votes for a 15% cut. He asked if there is consensus on a lower amount for which there would be enough votes. “If we call the question, we could be in a situation where it would not pass,” he observed.

If he makes a motion and they vote on it, they would essentially have a sense of the council’s will without defeating the measure and while still allowing for another amendment to be made, Councilor Dwight countered. The fact is, they can’t technically debate it until it’s on the floor. He appreciates his concern, but he doesn’t think the vote is in jeopardy by proposing the amendment and voting on it. In that regard, it would be his inclination at this point to offer as an amendment the 15% reduction in the police line item, Councilor Dwight proposed.

Councilor Jarrett reminded him that in order to make the motion he would need to specify the exact numbers. He is still concerned, he said.

Councilor Dwight withdrew his motion and said he would wait until Councilor Jarrett is prepared to make the motion if he is so inclined. “I defer to you,” he announced.

Councilor LaBarge strenuously insisted it is not the time for the city to purchase hybrid cruisers.

Councilor Sciarra reminded Councilor LaBarge that it is within her power to make that line item cut.

A 15% reduction will require an over $1 million cut to the budget, Mayor Narkewicz interjected. Certainly the cars are one item but, as they know, almost 90% of the budget is in the PS line item so that’s obviously where the bulk of the cuts have to come. Eliminating the entire OM and OOM budgets is still not a 15% cut. He thinks councilors have to understand what that number is and what is necessary to achieve it, and he and Chief Kasper are there to explain.

Regarding the idea that they don’t have a plan for the other reductions, the budget was their plan and the budget message explained the plan and why certain layoffs happened in certain budgets. “The plan I presented is the 1,500 page budget,” he asserted.

Councilor Maiore said she didn’t mean to imply that the mayor didn’t have a plan; it wasn’t a critique of his budget. She thinks they each need to take a moment before making a motion and think about what that number is for them. For her, it’s 20%.

Councilor Jarrett moved to cut the OOM police budget by $146,252 - the entirety of the OOM budget - $77,041 from OM and $758,658 from PS. Councilor Dwight seconded.

Councilor Jarrett verified that the percentage cut is 14.65% for a total reduction of $981,951.

Members proceeded to debate the amendment.

Councilor Dwight offered the opinion that Councilor Jarrett’s reasoning is sound. Whatever amount they cut, they’re not actually discussing the real consequences or the real value, it’s more of an expression, a gesture of acknowledgment that they hear the public outcry. Part of the problem is they don’t know the exact consequence of the cut; how it plays out in real time in the real world. One thing worth considering is that there are currently three candidates of color in the police academy about to come on line; three remarkable candidates with very sophisticated understanding of the challenges and the concerns that to be honest he has not seen reflected in most of the previous interviews in which he has participated. The rules of collective bargaining are last in first out. They would lose them so that’s worth considering. It won’t necessarily deter him from making the cuts, but they should understand the consequences. These are all very difficult decisions. They are going to be hard and it’s their responsibility to know just how hard. This is the difference between being an activist and being a legislator. They really are obliged to consider the impacts. Referring to Councilor Maiore’s 20% proposal, the numbers at this point become somewhat arbitrary, he acknowledged.

Councilor Maiore noted that there is also an impact to continuing as they are. By continuing not to make a fundamental change, they are impacting people all the time.

Councilor LaBarge asked how many positions they are looking at cutting.

He would defer to the mayor and chief in terms of an actual number, but a proportional number would be 9.22, Councilor Jarrett said.

Mayor Narkewicz said he would like Chief Kasper to have an opportunity to speak since they are proposing a very significant cut to her budget.

Using Councilor Jarrett’s proposal of a $758,658 cut to PS, that’s pretty much all people, Chief Kasper advised. Using an average salary of $60,000, that would be 12.6, or approximately 12 to 13 positions. Police are required by contract when doing layoffs to start with the most junior members, she confirmed. The department has 45 patrol officers to cover the city in combination

with five detectives. Five recruits are in the academy and there is one vacancy so that's 39 officers available to police the city of Northampton. If the council cuts 12, they're talking about substantial changes to the way the department operates. Many of their calls require a two-officer response – domestic violence, serious calls. She said she appreciated everyone who's spoken and has listened to every word of it.

"These arbitrary numbers feel very arbitrary without us really having an understanding of impact," she commented. This impacts so many things in their department – operations, reliance on mutual aid, changes in policy. "We are not prepared in two weeks to cut 13 of our staff and still provide the city with the same level of services," she cautioned.

"It feels like we're taking this step as a city without thoughtfully moving through it," she observed. She has acknowledged that there are problems in the system and been willing to collaborate on finding solutions. But at whatever time of night this is after all this deliberation, throwing around numbers of 15%, 30% or 50% feels very sudden without thoughtfully discussing the impact it's going to have and how they're going to provide services to the city.

In a halting voice, Councilor Jarrett said he knew he would certainly disappoint a number of people but he had to be honest with himself. He feels the need for more time to think and he will withdraw the motion, he announced.

Following withdrawal of the motion, animated discussion continued for another 45 minutes. Councilor Maiore continued to press for decisive action to reduce the budget. Moments of pivot are never easy and it's always possible for the mayor to come back to them with a request for an additional appropriation, she noted.

However, if they make a decision to lay off staff he doesn't know how he would come back to them and undo that, Mayor Narkewicz countered. He agreed wholeheartedly with Chief Kasper that making a cut in personnel of this significance with 12 or 13 days left in the fiscal year is very challenging. He is committed to having a conversation and putting in place a committee to study these issues and come up with recommendations, he repeated.

The process of hiring an officer takes anywhere from 12 to 16 months since it involves six months of training at the academy and four months of field training in addition to interviews, medicals and physicals, Chief Kasper elaborated. The city would be losing a lot of money and investment it's just made in the officers presently at the academy. If the council were to come back and decide to rehire officers, it would take a year and a half to get them on the street, she noted.

Councilor Nash suggested the idea of a hiring freeze so that the city could gradually lose officers through attrition rather than losing recruits due to graduate from the academy. However, Mayor Narkewicz explained that hiring freezes are generally implemented when the city runs out of money in the middle of a fiscal year. If the city is presented with a budget cut, it will have to lower the number of staff as of July 1st to match the budget in place.

Councilor Foster raised concern about the city's reputation as an employer, saying she's been a little surprised by the relatively cavalier attitude expressed toward the idea of police officers losing their jobs. In trying to explain what reform looks like, she has used the phrase, 'meaningful, substantive change,' she shared. Meaningful, substantive change has the buy-in of the community and buy-in of people implementing the change. "There are many voices and many stakeholders here that need to be centered." Her conscience is telling her she has to listen to them all.

Councilor Sciarra reminded members that the previous motion was withdrawn. They are having somewhat of a theoretical discussion since there is no longer a motion on the floor, she said.

Councilor Jarrett said he withdrew his motion before because he wasn't able to think in that moment. He still thinks it's worth making a reduction for all the reasons he mentioned. For him to feel comfortable, he is thinking of making a smaller proposal.

Councilor Dwight asked if the mayor would consider building benchmarks for reduction into the proposal for the NPRC for more elaborate discussion at the special meeting Tuesday, i.e. – target numbers for reducing the police force by a certain percentage over a year, two years or three, thus allowing natural attrition to occur and giving the current officers at the academy an

opportunity to come on line.

This is kind of getting into the work of the commission in looking at comparative staffing and service levels and making recommendations as to the size of the force, Mayor Narkewicz pointed out.

He is suggesting that a positive move toward reduction in the size of the force be embedded in the plan, Councilor Dwight explained. It is very unlikely that the commission is going to recommend there be an expansion or even a stabilizing of the size of the police department, he elaborated. His hope is that commission members presume that the size will be redefined. He is wondering if this assumption could be embedded in the plan and administrators could start planning for a systematic reduction in the size of the force. It would essentially be a given built into the commission's charge.

In asking the commission to review various issues, they tried to use objective language [with no predetermined outcome], Mayor Narkewicz responded. If a more specific goal is preferred, it certainly could be part of their charge.

Councilor Dwight asked if he would be prepared if asked by this council to incorporate language on Tuesday to indicate that there be an end goal of a reduction in the size of the force and a reduction in funding, regardless of other recommendations.

This is a joint process between the mayor and the city council, so if that's something the council wants the commission to look at, they could certainly do so, Mayor Narkewicz confirmed. One of the things they could be asked to examine is a reduction in staff, he acknowledged.

With all due respect, it felt a touch like Councilor Dwight's last question might be leaving them in a box, Councilor Foster observed. Studying what they want public safety to look like in their community incorporates police but it involves much more. What they're talking about as an end goal is clearly policing that is much more limited. However, "re-envisioning public safety is also going to take an investment," she noted. While the end goal is a reduction in policing as they know it, public safety and how they care for the community is actually expected to grow.

They are talking about reducing the mission of the police department, but at the same time he presumes the goal is to change and modify the professional services offered in the name of public safety, Councilor Dwight agreed. They will have to invest in an expanded, less martial structure of public safety, he acknowledged. The change in the fire department involved a deep investment, he pointed out. The fact is, the whole culture has changed.

He would like to go back to the thought that it would be helpful for them to free up money, Councilor Jarrett volunteered. If they reduce the police budget, the money will be available to fund other programs. He stated his perception that there is not sufficient agreement around a 15% cut and said he is running some numbers on a 5% reduction. If someone thinks a higher number would be better, he would be open to that as well, he said.

Councilor Maiore said she could make a motion to look at the equivalent of 10%. Councilor Jarrett offered to calculate the necessary figures. After a moment, he said a 10% cut would translate into $146,252 from OOM, $48,279 from OM and $475,426 from PS.

Councilor Maiore reminded those present that the average force for a city Northampton's size is 55 and they are at 65.

Councilor Maiore moved to reduce PS by $475,426, OM by $48,279 and OOM by $146,252 (effectively, to cut the police budget by 10%).

In response to a question from Councilor LaBarge, Councilor Jarrett said the total reduction is $669,957, and a cut of $475,426 would translate into about eight police officers.

Councilor Jarrett seconded.

Councilor Nash announced that he is not going to support this motion. They need time to develop a plan, he reiterated. Right now, he is not comfortable with just eliminating this amount of money

from the budget.

Councilor Jarrett said he would argue that now's the time to be brave and to consider bringing the department down to the size of other comparable cities in a time when they're not going to be seeing the tourism and/or the students. It's freeing up money that could be well spent in other places and probably could be used in other places. It's taking the bold change of the moment and trusting they will be fine as a city. He said he would vote yes.

Councilor Dwight called the question. It passed on a roll call vote of 6:3 with Councilors Nash, LaBarge and Thorpe opposed.

Councilor Sciarra announced that the motion passed.

After learning there were three votes in opposition, Councilor Jarrett asked Councilor Sciarra to explain the options for reconsideration. Councilor Sciarra read the applicable council rule.

Councilor Jarrett moved to reconsider. Councilor Dwight seconded.

The only new information is that the amended budget will not pass because are three votes against it and he must abstain, Councilor Jarret presented. Therefore, there are only five votes in favor of the budget order.

However, it's not safe to presume that everyone who voted down the amendment will act to vote down the amended budget, Councilor Dwight noted. While some may oppose the amendment, they may realize that if they don't pass the budget, the mayor's budget becomes law.

Attorney Seewald clarified that the requirement that additional information be presented does not apply to majority reconsideration, only minority reconsideration. Councilor Jarrett is in the majority.

Without comment from those who voted in the minority, he thinks it is too important to leave the final outcome to chance, Councilor Jarrett said. He thinks they should reconsider, vote it down and propose something smaller others might support.

Councilor Maiore requested a recess. The council recessed at 11:56 p.m.

The council reconvened at 12:05 p.m.

Upon reconvening, Councilor LaBarge said, "we're at 10% which I think is low. I don't think it's really progressive enough." She expressed her understanding that it would involve laying off six officers, and Councilor Sciarra said she believed that was the estimate that had been given.

Councilor Jarrett said the estimate was eight officers if the cut is absorbed by uniformed personnel only.

Councilor Jarrett withdrew his request for reconsideration, saying he's going to trust that people will vote to pass the budget.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to adopt the FY2021 General Fund budget as amended [with the $38,000 line item removed] to a vote and it passed 8:1 with Councilor Nash opposed by roll call vote.

Councilor Jarrett recused himself from consideration of the Pedal People contract.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the $38,000 Pedal People contract. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed 8:0 by roll call vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve 20.065 An Order to Approve the FY2021 General Fund budget in second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the amendment [10% cut to the police budget] for purposes of the order. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion carried 8:0 by roll call

vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to approve order 20.065 to a vote, and it passed 8:0 by roll call vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

Councilor Sciarra announced that 20.065 passed as amended.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 10, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.065 An Order to Approve FY2021 General Fund Budget

Ordered, that

the sum of $94,561,718 which is the full amount necessary for the Fiscal Year 2021 General Fund Budget (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), be appropriated for the purposes stated, provided that the appropriation for Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School shall be used solely for the purposes of meeting net school spending as defined by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and no funds so appropriated shall be transferred to any account or expended for any purpose that would not be included in the calculation of net school spending. To meet this appropriation, $1,392,873 will be raised and appropriated from Parking Meter Receipts Reserved, $1,042,826 from Sewer Enterprise Funds, $577,268 from Water Enterprise Funds, $83,466 from Solid Waste Enterprise Funds, $341,407 from Storm Water Enterprise Funds, $15,776 from Community Preservation Act Administrative Funds, $20,932 from the Reserve for Police Station Debt Service, $52,418 from the Fiscal Stability Stabilization Fund and $91,034,752 will be raised and appropriated.

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET APPROPRIATION ORDER

	Personal Services	Ordinary Maintenance	Other Than Ordinary Maintenance	FY 2021 Total Expenditures
GENERAL FUND				
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
CITY COUNCIL	140,393	55,500	0	195,893
MAYOR	416,456	16,442	0	432,898
AUDITOR	363,230	5,280	0	368,510
ASSESSORS	189,870	123,350	0	313,220
TREASURER/COLLECTOR	377,918	276,435	0	654,353
LEGAL SERVICES	0	275,000	0	275,000
HUMAN RESOURCES	299,684	37,050	0	336,734
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	374,370	678,510	0	1,052,880
CITY CLERK / REGISTRAR OF VOTERS	300,243	32,525	0	332,768
PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY	376,443	59,200	0	435,643
CENTRAL SERVICES	709,046	1,046,160		1,755,206
	3,547,654	2,605,452	0	6,153,106
PUBLIC SAFETY				
POLICE	5,474,836	555,965	0	6,030,801
PARKING DIVISION - ENFORCEMENT	182,601	12,200	0	194,801
PUBLIC SAFETY COMM CENTER	672,310	49,341	0	721,651
FIRE RESCUE	5,636,486	529,430	210,000	6,375,916
BUILDING INSPECTOR	449,216	26,200	0	475,416
PARKING DIVISION - MAINTENANCE	234,509	269,198	90,000	593,707
	12,649,958	1,442,334	300,000	14,392,292
EDUCATION				
SMITH VOCATIONAL & AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL	0	0	0	9,006,705
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	32,162,012
	0	0	0	41,168,717
PUBLIC WORKS				
ADMINISTRATION AND ENGINEERING	238,033	34,800	0	272,833
STREET GENERAL HIGHWAY	724,987	383,400	420,000	1,528,387
STREET SNOW AND ICE CONTROL	131,000	369,000	0	500,000
FORESTRY, PARKS AND CEMETERIES DIVISION	897,348	272,450	150,000	1,319,798
	1,991,368	1,059,650	570,000	3,621,018
HUMAN SERVICES				
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	348,906	98,710	0	447,616
SENIOR SERVICES	195,412	46,264	0	241,676
VETERANS SERVICES	213,645	655,983	0	869,628
	757,964	800,957	0	1,558,921

	Personal Services	Ordinary Maintenance	Other Than Ordinary Maintenance	FY 2021 Total Expenditures
CULTURE AND RECREATION				
FORBES LIBRARY	1,202,214	189,030	0	1,391,244
LILLY LIBRARY	269,630	81,807	0	351,437
RECREATION	311,681	33,500	0	345,181
ARTS AND CULTURE	65,173	16,250	0	81,423
	1,848,698	320,587	0	2,169,285
DEBT SERVICE				
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS	0	3,591,700	0	3,591,700
INTEREST ON MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS	0	882,212	0	882,212
	0	4,473,912	0	4,473,912
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM	6,559,443	0	0	6,559,443
PENSIONS: NON-CONTRIB. & OPEB	332,000	10,000	0	342,000
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	684,360	0	0	684,360
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	103,935	10,000	0	113,935
GROUP MEDICAL INSURANCE	11,576,432	15,000	0	11,591,432
LIFE INSURANCE	55,000	0	0	55,000
EMPLOYEE TAXES	942,500	0	0	942,500
UNUSED SICK LEAVE	180,000	0	0	180,000
	20,433,670	35,000	0	20,468,670
CAPITAL PROJECTS & MISCELLANEOUS				
CAPITAL PROJECTS	0	0	0	0
GENERAL LIABILITY FUND	0	76,200	0	76,200
PROPERTY & AUTO INSURANCE	0	309,397	0	309,397
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LIABILITY INSURANCE	0	70,200	0	70,200
RESERVE FOR PERSONNEL	100,000	0	0	100,000
TRANSFER TO FISCAL STABILITY STABILIZATION FUND	0	0	0	0
TRANSFER TO CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND	0	0	0	0
	100,000	455,797	0	555,797
TOTAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION				94,561,718
NON-APPROPRIATED USES				
RESERVE FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS		550,000		550,000
OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE RAISED		27,122		27,122
CHERRY SHEET OFFSET RECEIPTS		1,411,645		1,411,645
STATE ASSESSMENTS - CHERRY SHEET		3,641,594		3,641,594
	0	5,630,361	0	5,630,361
TOTAL BUDGET PLAN - GENERAL FUND				100,192,079

Passed two readings and enrolled.

Public Hearing Concerning the Northampton Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for FY2021-FY2025

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Councilor Sciarra read the legal notice.

Councilor Dwight moved to open the public hearing. Councilor Foster seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The public hearing was opened at 12:22 a.m.

This is the five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) required by charter for FY2021 to FY2025, Mayor Narkewicz presented. He would essentially describe it as a roadmap for all the city's capital needs over the next five years. He always likes to emphasize that the CIP is not actually the funding or the borrowing order but is the plan that outlines the projects. It describes 104 projects across the city and school department as well as four enterprise funds totaling $96,202,245. Capital projects by definition are projects that cost over $10,000 and generally have a useful life of five years or more. These are not recurring expenses so they primarily rely on one-time money such as free cash and capital stabilization or, in the case of enterprise funds, revenue generated by the enterprises themselves. As indicated earlier in the year, the program was delayed - first, because of the uncertainty related to the override and then, within a week, because of uncertainty around the COVID-19 shutdown and associated economic disruption. They ended up making significant reductions in the scope of the capital program for FY2021 and pushing a number of projects off into out years or taking them off the program altogether. In terms of the scale of that reduction, they scaled it back by over $2.5 million from what was originally projected because of some of the uncertainty. They were unsure about the amount they would need to retain in reserves and also unsure about whether some projects would even be viable. They really tried to focus on critical needs: life safety related projects, infrastructure-related projects such as city or school IT and some building projects that had been deferred but for which the timing is now good. As examples, he pointed to some of the projects on parks and rec facilities since summer programs are cancelled. He offered to answer questions about individual projects once they get into deliberations.

Mayor Narkewicz described the process for assembling the CIP: departments submit their capital requests (individual CIP forms are found in the back of the plan) and the Mayor's office appoints an ad hoc committee including a member of the city council to make recommendations as to the prioritization of different projects. He works with the finance director to look at the city's borrowing capacity in terms of its debt schedule, anticipated free cash and other sources used to fund the program. It is a constantly updated program because the charter requires that they do this process every year. New projects may come on and some projects fall off or get completed. They typically follow behind with actual financial orders to implement the program.

He noted a unique aspect of this year's plan; one of the funding sources they rely on for a small portion of capital projects is the operating budget. There are no cash capital projects in the FY21 program; it was one of the areas where they tried to free up savings because of the economic uncertainty, revenue shortfall and decision to delay implementation of the override for a year. The opening pages of the plan set forth metrics for how administrators decide to draw from various stabilization accounts as well as information about the city's debt capacity and adherence to best practices set forth by the Department of Revenue (DOR) and to its own internal policies.

He drew attention to one change; access to free cash goes away after June 30th until free cash is recertified in late November by DOR, he explained. Typically a big chunk of the CIP is funded from free cash. Asking to fund from free cash would have required them to request two readings on free cash orders tonight. As a work around, they have an order asking to move money from free cash into capital stabilization, which doesn't go away after June 30th. This preserves those funds in capital stabilization by moving them from one fund to another. It is a slight change from past practice because of the fact that the capital plan got pushed so late in the fiscal year. He thanked Susan Wright who, in addition to creating the operating budget, had to pivot to creating this heavily-revised CIP. He also thanked department heads who participated in the CIP process and members of the ad hoc advisory committee.

Councilor Sciarra asked if anyone from the general public would like to speak to the CIP. Hearing none, she opened the floor to questions and comments from councilors.

Councilor Quinlan thanked Mayor Narkewicz for the presentation. He noticed this is where most of the money is set aside for vehicle replacement. Through the sustainability plan they have talked about electric and hybrid vehicles and their importance to the community. He wondered if any consideration was given to acquiring hybrid or electric school buses.

The school committee did have a conversation about that very issue and worked with the transportation director to explore it, Mayor Narkewicz confirmed. Unfortunately, right now, technology around electric school buses is such that they are prohibitively expensive. The Town of Amherst went through a conversation about that and, because of the extreme cost, opted to wait until the technology becomes more affordable. It is definitely on the radar of the school committee but they opted not to pursue it this year. They are opting to buy some smaller vans which is a little bit of a savings and not as intensive in terms of gas and carbon use. "I can assure you that that is something that is on the radar of the school committee but is not something that is viable this year," he concluded.

Superintendent Provost mentioned that he is looking at various scenarios for reopening and anticipating the cost of PPE as between $400,000 and $500,000. He asked if that is something that would be financed through the CIP.

They are working jointly with the schools on costs related to reopening and he knows they have identified some grant funding that is coming to the city, Mayor Narkewicz advised. They are going to try to utilize as much of their CARES grant funding as they can for that and think that's going to be able to cover a lot of the initial allotment needed. They are putting in orders but still don't have clear guidance from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) as to what school opening is going to look like. They could come back to reserves but the main purpose of the CARES grant is to support COVID-related expenses.

With regard to DPW projects, she understands from Director LaScaleia that the city wasn't able to put some traffic-calming plans out to bid because of the way COVID disrupted the timeline, Councilor Foster related. As she was talking to residents about what's going well for them and

what they'd like to see changed or improved, the #1 concern she heard was concerns around walkability and traffic improvements in their neighborhoods. In looking at the budget for next year, she sees $25,000 for traffic-calming measures, $175,000 for sidewalks and $1.5 million for street resurfacing. As they move forward, she would like to be part of a conversation around the city's mindset as far as how it spends its transportation dollars. She voiced her perception that things like sidewalks that are passable in the wintertime and accessible to people in wheelchairs contribute greatly to overall quality of life.

The mayor acknowledged this as an excellent point. The city has tried to be very aggressive and has been successful in applying for Safe Route to School grants, Complete Street grants, Mass-Works grants, etc. There has been a change in mindset, he acknowledged. It used to be traffic-calming was sort of an afterthought; engineers now design traffic-calming into some for their road reconstruction projects. Some of the money seen allocated for paving is actually intended for that purpose. They do use the separate traffic-calming line item but some paving projects (North Farms Road, for example, a contract signed last week) also incorporate traffic-calming features. Mobility, walkability and supporting non-motorized sources of transportation definitely needs to be part of the equation, he agreed.

Councilor Jarrett said there is conflicting information in the report. Page 16 lists sidewalks and traffic-calming as having zero funding while later these categories are listed as having $75,000 and $25,000. He asked which is correct.

Director Wright clarified that the color-coded sheet has zero for traffic-calming in FY2021 and $25,000 in FY22, FY23, FY24 and FY25. The detail sheets, or CIP - 2's, requested $25,000 for each of five years. Project request sheets were submitted back in October. Because of the financial issues the city is facing, they cut back the capital plan. The CIP - 2's represent the requests but the narrative and appendices A and B reflect amounts recommended by the mayor, she explained.

Councilor Jarrett said he understands the need to reduce in this time but traffic-calming and sidewalks are an important part of the city's transportation planning. Traffic calming has numerous benefits, including reducing damage to roadways. To zero-fund these items seems a little short-sighted, he observed.

Some traffic-calming is being accomplished through other projects, such as the North Farms Road (NFR) and Bridge Road reconstruction work, Mayor Narkewicz assured. There are three or four flashing solar signs on the NFR project in addition to new crosswalks.

On pg. 13, there is a blank line in the description of a Central Services – NPS project with a price tag of $3.5 million, Councilor Jarrett pointed out.

It's the JFK Middle School roof replacement project, Director Wright said. The line must have disappeared when the document was printed. The school will be seeking MSBA grants to offset that cost.

Councilor LaBarge noted that, a year ago, Dr. Provost told her that the Ryan Road school bathroom was going to be renovated for handicapped compliance. What happened with that? She asked. There are two children who have to use that bathroom with a hoyer lift. They are looking at a situation where either child using that lift is at risk, she asserted. She's seeing that the price went up to $230,000 and it's not scheduled until FY2022.

This is a project they've been trying to do some engineering on and it was just not at a point that it could be advanced in FY2021, Mayor Narkewicz explained. It is definitely on the radar; it's on the plan but not at a point where it could be advanced. "We are aware of the project, I have talked to Principal Madden about it," he confirmed. Given the situation, they've had to make decisions about where to place projects and how to time them.

Mayor Narkewicz pointed out some exciting projects. As part of the city's commitment around climate change and climate resiliency city officials have made a commitment to moving fully away from fossil fuels for heating municipal buildings. They moved from oil to gas seven or eight years ago but now recognize the need to move fully away from fossil fuels. Some engineering studies are included to begin the work of looking at the city's heating plants and heating systems to see

what it would cost. The CIP also includes funding for a study for municipal broadband.

There being no further comments, Councilor Dwight moved to close the public hearing. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Resolutions
20.064 Resolution in Response to Most Recent Killings of African-Americans - 1st reading

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The resolution was previously introduced and read under 'New Business,' Councilor Sciarra advised.

Councilor Dwight said he would ask that this item be moved to their meeting in July in the interests of time and since there is obviously new information that could be added. The sponsors agreed to take the item off tonight's agenda.

See minutes of August 20, 2020 for first reading.

20.066 Resolution to Adopt the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025 Submitted to City Council on May 29, 2020 - 1st reading (two readings required)

20.066 A Resolution to Adopt the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025 Submitted to City Council on May 29, 2020 - 1st reading (two readings required)
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to suspend the rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following resolution passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 18, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

20.066 A Resolution
to Adopt the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025
Submitted to City Council on May 29, 2020

Resolved, that

The City Council hereby adopts the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025 submitted by the Mayor on May 29, 2020, in accordance with the Charter of Northampton, Massachusetts, Article 7 Finance and Fiscal Procedures, Section 7-5: Capital Improvement Program.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.076 Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Legislative Approaches to Public Safety - 1st reading

20.076 A Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Legislative Approaches to Public Safety - 1st reading
Councilor Sciarra read the resolution aloud.

Councilor Jarrett moved to approve the resolution in first reading. Councilor Maiore seconded.

As sponsors, they developed the proposal before they knew at all what was going to be in the Northampton Policing Review Commission, Councilor Jarrett related. Many of the elements of

that commission look really great to him. Its timeline is a little longer. He would like them as a council to make legislative decisions much sooner than that. He thinks they have a responsibility to fully understand what they can and cannot do as a legislative body. Although Northampton's charter is a strong mayor format, there is debate over whether the council can set general policy for the executive branch to carry out. They certainly have the ability to enact ordinances that apply to everyone in the city, including city staff. He respects the opinion of the city solicitor but also believes they have the right to other legal opinions around this. The council has an independent responsibility to review budgetary options. He sees a select committee as something that could complement the policing review commission by focusing on legislative options. It may be that they could revise it a little to avoid duplication. He would ask that they move it forward and continue to think about it, especially after Tuesday's special meeting.

Councilor Maiore agreed with the idea of the select committee being a complement to the joint commission with the executive branch. There is a lot of work to be done to transform their public safety system, and there is a reason the city has a city council - to bring in the will and voice of residents more clearly and balance the role of the executive branch. She thinks it is critical that the city council have a role in the process, explore specifically the role of council in reimagining public safety and demonstrate a balance of power to residents. She would suggest that fellow councilors vote yes and not close this opportunity, knowing it is only the first reading and not a final vote. "Let's keep this option alive until we can look at it a little deeper and with fresher eyes," she urged.

Councilor Dwight said he would be fine with this but he is particularly concerned that it actually is redundant. It's difficult enough to properly staff one committee let alone two. He thinks a select committee would be a good idea to actually put into effect recommendations that come out of the joint commission. He is prepared to vote in favor of it with the stipulation that it be reconsidered so that it does not duplicate processes. Everything Councilor Maiore described as the value of the select committee also applies to the joint committee. It would be his request to the sponsors that they recraft it with fresh eyes so that it does indeed serve as a complement that amplifies the work of the joint commission.

As stated in her presentation, she and the mayor spent a great deal of time discussing whether a subsection could be carved out and given to a council select committee and whether that made sense, and she explained the reasons they decided against it, Councilor Sciarra reiterated. It's being framed by the sponsors as having more power than the joint commission, but that is not the case as the two bodies would have the same amount of council representation. The council select committee would not have a larger voice or representation. The joint commission would be a joint commission. It would be reporting to the council with the mayor present. She worked very hard to have significant council influence and representation and, as has been noted, the council gets more appointees than the mayor does. "I want the council to own it," she stressed.

She is very concerned about duplicating the effort but she is most concerned that if the commission feels they can't look at law and ordinance, it is going to make their job very hard because they're being tasked to look at this holistically.

Councilor Nash said he appreciates the resolution. For him, it is more of a timing thing as they have a special meeting to discuss the NPRC next week. He liked the idea suggested by Councilor Dwight of passing this in first reading. His one thought is changing the timeline so it more matches up with the commission. He's compiling lots of information that he is hoping to bring to the commission. The commission needs to be the first step. But this is really important and he appreciates the work that's gone into this.

Councilor Maiore thanked Councilor Sciarra for representing them so well. Part of the issue is that she hadn't seen the outline for the joint commission before tonight. She would be more comfortable having a chance to look at it. She doesn't mean to say it would give them more power, but in a time when residents are questioning city government somewhat, it shows more independence and more of a balance of power.

Councilor Jarrett said he doesn't want to make a decision to withdraw the resolution at this time. He would rather have more time to think about it and, after Tuesday's meeting, consider adjusting or revising it.

	Councilor Sciarra suggested sponsors could do what she and Councilor Dwight did with their resolution and simply defer it to the July meeting, and Councilor Jarrett and Maiore agreed. Councilor Jarrett withdrew his motion to approve the resolution in first reading and instead asked that the resolution be moved to the July meeting. See minutes of July 9, 2020 for first reading.
Consent Agenda	Consent Agenda Councilor Sciarra reviewed the items on the consent agenda. Councilor Dwight moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The following items were approved as part of the consent agenda: A. Approve Pole Petitions with conditions recommended by the DPW - 20.048A and 20.048B (Both Petition #25763215), National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (two separate petitions, same #) B. 20.050 Appointment of Jonathan Flagg as Building Commissioner C. 20.077 Petition for Annual Second Hand Dealer Licenses Renewal Licenses for the following: Electric Eye Records, 52 Main St., #6 Petitioner: Andrew Crespo Roz's Place, 6 Bridge Street Petitioner: Timothy Salvo
Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting	At 1:22 a.m., the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance meeting. The Committee on Finance adjourned at 2 a.m. The City Council reconvened at 2 a.m.
Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review) 20.067 Order to Appropriate Approximately $1 Million from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization - 1st reading	Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review) 20.067 An Order to Appropriate Approximately $1 Million from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization - 1st reading Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. Councilor Dwight moved to suspend rules to allow a second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The following order passed two readings: **City of Northampton** MASSACHUSETTS *In City Council* June 18, 2020 Upon recommendation of the Mayor **20.067 An Order to Appropriate Approximately $1 Million from Free Cash to Capital Stabilization** *Ordered, that* $ 1,002,633 be appropriated from the FY20 General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance (Free Cash) to Capital Stabilization Fund.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.068 An Order to Appropriate Balance of Bond Premium for Replacement Doors for SVAHS Building A - 1st reading
20.069 An Order to Authorize Borrowing $640,000 for New Fire Truck - 1st reading
20.070 An Order to Appropriate $1.22 Million from Capital Stabilization for Various Capital Projects - 1st reading
20.071 An Order to Appropriate $25,000 from Cemetery Trust and Income for Cemetery Restorative Work - 1st reading
20.072 An Order to Appropriate $46,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to IT for Various Projects - 1st reading
20.073 An Order to Reprogram $75,908 from MSBA School Projects to SVAHS Gym Lockers - 1st reading
20.074 An Order to Reprogram Ryan Road School Cafeteria Funds to NPS Projects - 1st reading
20.075 An Order to Purchase Land on Boggy Meadow Road to Add to the Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway - 1st reading
20.078 An Order to Authorize King Street Corridor Improvements Right of Way Acquisition - 1st reading

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20.071 Order to Appropriate $25,000 from Cemetery Trust and Income for Cemetery Restorative Work - 1st reading
20.072 Order to Appropriate $46,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to IT for Various Projects - 1st rdg
20.073 Order to Reprogram $75,908 from MSBA School Projects to SVAHS Gym

Councilor Dwight moved to approve orders 20.068, 20.069, 20.070, 20.071, 20.072, 20.073, 20.074, 20.075 and 20.078 as a group in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of July 9, 2020 for second readings.

Lockers - 1st rdg
20.074 Order to Reprogram Ryan Road School Cafeteria Funds to NPS Projects - 1st reading
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Financial Orders (in 2nd reading)

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20.054 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading
20.055 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Water Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading
20.057 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Stormwater and Flood Control Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading
20.058 An Order to Approve FY2021 Revolving Funds - 2nd reading
20.059 An Order Authorizing Acquisition and Establishment of a Municipal Light Plant - 2nd reading
20.061 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 2 Votes - 2nd reading

Councilor Dwight moved to approve orders 20.054, 20.055, 20.057, 20.058, 20.059 and 20.061 as a group in second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

20.054 Order to Approve FY 2021 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.054 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget

Ordered, that

the sum of $6,177,500 which is the full amount necessary for the Fiscal Year 2021 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), be appropriated for the purposes stated and to meet said appropriation, $5,134,674 is to be raised from sewer receipts and $1,042,826 shall be allocated to indirect costs.

SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND					
Sewer General Sanitary					1,051,250
Sewer Treatment					2,217,734
Sewer Debt					209,235
Sewer Interest					61,804
Sewer Indirect Costs					1,042,826
Sewer Transfer to Capital Projects					1,594,651
Sewer Reserve					-
TOTAL SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND					**6,177,500**

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.055 Order to Approve FY 2021 Water Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.055 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Water Enterprise Fund Budget

Ordered, that

the sum of $6,945,000 which is the full amount necessary for the Fiscal Year 2021 Water Enterprise Fund Budget (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), be appropriated for the purposes stated and to meet said appropriation, $6,367,732 is to be raised from water receipts, $577,268 shall be allocated to indirect costs.

WATER ENTERPRISE FUND					
Water General					2,949,566
Water Debt					1,684,863
Water Interest					262,190
Water Indirect Costs					577,268
Water Transfer to Capital Projects					1,471,113
Water Reserve					-
TOTAL WATER ENTERPRISE FUND					**6,945,000**

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.057 Order to Approve FY 2021 Stormwater and Flood Control Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd rdg.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.057 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Stormwater and Flood Control Enterprise Fund Budget

Ordered, that

the sum of $1,996,486 which is the full amount necessary for the Fiscal Year 2021 Stormwater and Flood Control Enterprise Fund Budget (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), be appropriated for the purposes stated and to meet said appropriation, $1,655,079 is to be raised from Stormwater and Flood Control receipts and $341,407 shall be allocated to indirect costs.

Stormwater and Flood Control ENTERPRISE FUND					
Storm Drains					496,415
Flood Control					200,248
Stormwater and Flood Control Debt					35,000
Stormwater and Flood Control Interest					3,850
Stormwater and Flood Control Water Indirect Costs					341,407
Stormwater and Flood Control Transfer for Capital Projects					919,566
Stormwater and Flood Control Reserve					-
TOTAL STORM WATER AND FLOOD CONTROL ENTERPRISE FUND					**1,996,486**

Passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed two readings:

20.058 Order to Approve FY2021 Revolving Funds - 2nd reading

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.058 An Order to Approve FY2021 Revolving Funds

Ordered that, in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2 the city shall vote the limit on the total amount that may be expended from each revolving fund established by Chapter 16 of the City Ordinances.

Fund Number	Name of Fund	Annual Spending Limit
2420	Energy and Sustainability Revolving Fund	$150,000
2416	Hazmat Revolving Fund	$85,000
2419	DPW Public Works Construction Services Revolving Fund	$85,000
2408	Senior Services Transportation Revolving Fund	$100,000
2428	Senior Services Activities Revolving Fund	$150,000
2433	Senior Services Food Services Revolving Fund	$90,000
2440	Senior Services Publications Revolving Fund	$35,000
2406	Athletic League Fees Revolving Fund	$200,000
2405	JFK Family Aquatic Center	$120,000
2422	NPS Transportation Revolving Fund	$200,000
2452	SVAHS Farm Revolving Fund	$100,000
2435	Tourism Directional Sign Program Revolving Fund	$10,000
2436	Public Health Nursing Program Revolving Fund	$30,000
2410	James House Revolving Fund	$85,000
2439	Sharps Disposal Program Revolving Fund	$15,000
2442	Fire Alarm Monitoring Program Revolving Fund	$60,000
2443	DPW Reuse Committee Revolving Fund	$15,000

Passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed two readings:

20.059 Order Authorizing Acquisition and Establishment of a Municipal Light Plant - 2nd reading

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 4, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

O-20.059 AN ORDER AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council approved a two-phase market study and comprehensive feasibility study of municipal broadband as part of the FY2020-FY2024 Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton is about to award a contract for the aforementioned two-phase study; and

WHEREAS, if based on the results of those studies the City of Northampton decides to implement municipal broadband, the city would be required to establish a Municipal Light Plant in accordance with M.G.L. c. 164, § 35; and

WHEREAS, establishment of a Municipal Light Plant under section 35 first requires two separate approval votes of the City Council by a two-thirds majority in two separate fiscal years; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of not unnecessarily delaying a future potential municipal broadband project, it would be prudent to complete the first of those two required approvals in fiscal year 2020 ending June 30, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordered, the City Council authorizes in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 164 of the General Laws and in accordance with the rules, regulations and orders of the Department of Public Utilities and the Department of Telecommunications & Cable, a municipal lighting plant for all purposes allowable under the laws of the Commonwealth, and more particularly for the establishment a municipal broadband system for the City of Northampton. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to effectuate this Order.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

20.061 Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 2 Votes - 2nd reading

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.061 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 2 Votes

Ordered, that

the City Council rescind the following orders because such borrowing authority is no longer necessary:

Order 19.081: $650,000 of borrowing authority authorized under the loan order approved on June 20, 2019 to acquire land formerly known as the Pine Grove Golf Course as the borrowing authority is no longer needed.

Order 18.159: $625,000 of borrowing authority authorized under the loan order approved on September 20, 2018 for improvements at the Florence Recreation Fields as the borrowing authority is no longer needed.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.056 Order to Approve FY 2021 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading

20.056 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget - 2nd reading
Councilor Jarrett disclosed that he has a conflict of interest and would recuse himself.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

Councilor Quinlan presented calculations showing that, based on the budgeted increase from $110,000 to $210,000 combined with the reduction in hours of the landfill, the gatekeepers and security line item reflects an increase in the hourly amount budgeted for these employees from $35.61 to $112 an hour, or 315% from FY2020 to FY2021.

"This is an enterprise that's under some stress here and a 315% increase in the cost of labor to run this is a lot," he opined.

Finance Director Wright clarified that there is more than one person on during all of those hours. Gate keepers earn $13.50 an hour, she said. They have more than one gatekeeper working.

His point wasn't that someone was making $35 an hour, his point was that the city is spending $35 an hour to run the landfill this year and next year it is spending $112 an hour, Councilor Quinlan explained.

The details they've budgeted for are primarily because of the COVID pandemic, Director Wright countered. They need people to social distance at the landfill. If the situation changes, they can certainly cut that back. They have had two gatekeepers quit recently because of the abuse they take from residents. The details add quite a bit of order. If the COVID situation changes, they can definitely cut back on those details, she assured.

The motion passed 7:1 by roll call vote with Councilor Quinlan opposed and Councilor Jarrett recused.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 4, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.056 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget

Ordered, that

the sum of $795,326 which is the full amount necessary for the Fiscal Year 2021 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget (July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021), be appropriated for the purposes stated and to meet said appropriation, $439,534 is to be raised from solid waste receipts, $83,466 shall be allocated to indirect costs, and $272,326 to be made available from the Retained Earnings Balance of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund.

TOTAL SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND					
Solid Waste Transfer Station					711,860
Solid Waste Direct & Indirect Costs					83,466
TOTAL SOLID WASTE ENTERPRISE FUND					**795,326**

Passed two readings and enrolled.

Orders

Orders
None

New Business	New Business None
Information (Charter Provision 2-7) & Study Requests	Information (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests None
Motion to Adjourn	Upon motion made by Councilor Dwight and seconded by Councilor LaBarge, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 a.m. The motion carried unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. Attest:_____ Administrative Assistant to the City Council

NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT RECORD SHEET

June 18, 2020

The Northampton City Council recessed for public comment at 5:37 p.m.

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Jose Adastra	Ward 7A	In favor of redirecting $ from police to social service programs
Letitia Wood	155 Pleasant Street	thinks police should do a different interview; wants this resolved
Chris Landry	Ward 3	asked how resolution squares with fact that officer alleged to have made racist statements on duty in charge of hiring & promotions
Emily Coffin	Ward 1	defended last night's protests; urged cc to cut police budget
Becca Steinquist	Florence	urged not to defund police more than $200,000; NPD has taken steps to increase diversity; further cut would make less diverse
T. Wilmot	Northampton	sympathetic to law enforcement but understands origin and function of American police; NPD trained with Arpaio who bragged about running "concentration camps"
Seanna T-P	Ward 3	Police paramilitary organization tasked with addressing theft but majority of theft committed is wage theft perpetrated against undocumented immigrants & others who dare not contact police
Gillian Love	Ward 4	asking city council to adopt 50% cut to police
Hayley Nicholas	Ward 2	budget cut of 0.28% is complete insult; have duty to protect black population; cut 50% now, BLM
Al Simon	Ward 1	cutting police without ability to reallocate $ makes no sense; encouraged formation of joint committee to recommend reform
Patrick Waite	Ward 1	defund police and disarm of military-style equipment; re-invest in social services and community
Brian Zayatz	Hadley	are not radical fringe or vocal minority, have popular support. Protestors willing to put in time to create alternatives to policing
Sascha Bratton	Northampton	need to escape circular logic that can't fund alternatives because don't have alternatives; mayor has power to form new agency
Felix O'Connor	Ward 3A	scholars of abolition & transformative justice have been calling for defunding police for decades; idea reaching broader audience
Arvid Nelson	Ward 2	horrified by George Floyd killing; thinks police reform great but big leap of logic between that and defunding; urged caution
Chris Kitzmiller	Ward 3A	police suffer from egregious mission creep; don't need trained officer to install car seats or direct traffic
Isadora Reisner	Turners Falls	re: comment that movement is moving too quickly; argued time is now
Daniel Cannity	Ward 4	questioned whether budget reflects N'hamp's values; police budget 2nd biggest after education; defund/disband
Mimi Odgers	Ward 6	asked council to table resolution until after budget action

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NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Lene Enten	Ward 2	asking council to cut police budget by 50%
Steve O'Neill		not able to unmute
Christina Giro Corliss	Ward 7	echoed call to defund police and cut budget by 50%
Jasper		echoed call to defund police dept. by 50%
David Kris	Northampton	accused councilors of contempt for protestors; will work to make them lose election if don't support 50% budget cut
Sophie Leavitt	Ward 2	N'hamp in perfect position to explore alternatives to policing if don't are ignoring wishes of constituents
Ashwin Ravikumar	Amherst	50% cut moderate proposal; biggest stumbling block towards liberation is not the klansmen but the white moderate - MLK
Briar Lake	Montague	in favor of 50% cut and supports full abolition
Jake Carroll		defund NPD, defund them now, defund by 50%; urged council to use power vested in them to oppose mayor
Harrison Green	Easthampton	cutting public comment dereliction of duty to provide process; demands defunding now with or without alternatives in place
Cori Stenning Barnes	Ward 3	budget cuts to police should be at least 50%
Grace Rountree		in favor of 50% cut to police
Jesse Hassinger and Amy Francaes (Ward 4)		played music
Ezekiel Baskin	Northampton	echoed calls to defund; acknowledged council's inability to reallo-cate $; urged to pass resolution directing mayor to allocate funds to social services
Keith Parzek	Ward 4	has not heard of injuries or deaths in NPD custody; NPD has reputation of being progressive; asked to look at facts on performance
Rachel Weber	Criminal defense atty.	added voice to chorus calling for 50% reduction in NPD budget Studies show treatment of blacks at every stage of criminal justice system worse than whites.
Jake Wise	Ward 1	supports 50% defunding
Anthony King		police system cannot be reformed; those with courage to replace it will receive their support; others will be replaced
Celina Della Croce	Ward 5	thinks proposal to cut police budget insufficient; asked to work towards defunding by cutting police budget 50% now
Bob Van Ferdinand Wilson	Ward 3	challenged council and mayor to find a way to get to 50%, whether by cutting 12% a year or otherwise
Simona Miller	Ward 2A	re: reforming vs. refunding; history has proved time and again that police cannot be reformed

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Stacy Weston	Ward 3	advocated reallocating $ from 50% police budget cut to development of low-income housing
Richard Hendricks	Ward 3	clinical social worker. Compared defunding police to closing of Belchertown State School and Northampton State Hospital; concern was fate of residents; seize the moment
Rowan Lufton	Ward 6	fully supports immediate 50% cut; defunding police in itself an act of harm reduction
Jake Meginsky	Ward 3	calls to defund police 50%; asked to commit to banishing police union in Northampton
Ya-ping Douglass	Turners Falls	read quotes from NYT article related to objections to integration; Implied were parallels between opposition to bussing and opposition to police defunding
Noah Kassis	Youth Comm. Chair	read excerpt from YC statement: YC stands in solidarity with BLM movement; advocates divestment in police
Jordy Rosenberg	Ward 3	In favor of cutting police budget
Blair Gimma	Easthampton	asked to please defund police by 50%; sang original song to tune of "The Times They Are A-Changing"
Alex Hornbeck	Ward 2	in favor of 50% cut
Mikaela Thiboutot	Ward 1	echoed demand for 50% decrease in police budget as first step in movement toward abolition
Alexandra Cassoutsell	Ward 6	moved from FL and shocked by massive size of police force; Urged to cut police budget in half and move toward abolition with replacement with more inclusive force
Sarah Weber	Ward 1	echoed call for 50% decrease; re: call to look at track record, people on call have spoken to personal experiences with NPD
Joshua Strassman	Amherst	addressed contention that there's not much council can do to challenge power of Northampton police union
Sarah White	Ward 3	re: track record of NPD; fact that asked question showed hadn't been listening to hours of testimony; in favor of full defunding
Kathleen Rose	Northampton	takes pride in fact that n'hamp embraces and uplifts LGBTQ population; would like city to be lighthouse to all vulnerable populations; supports abolishment, 50% cut good start
Brian Campedelli	Northampton	can't believe idea of eliminating police entirely; brother in car accident on Rt. 66 & police kept alive 22 minutes until EMS got there; when daughter collapsed, NPD 1st on scene
Becky Seifried	Ward 3	demanding 50% reduction in NPD budget and reallocation of funds to social services, youth support, affordable housing
Jo Florence	Ward 6A	in support of police, city benefits from very well-trained and funded police dept.; they are the reason for low crime rate
Bo Clark	Hadley	callers have investigated NPD for them and given hours of personal testimony; do not see commitment to this tangible change
Tara Orzolek	Ward 4	Passing resolution is insulting, useless, empty gesture if don't defund police

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NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Paige Hendry-Bodman	Holyoke	works in dt n'hamp and has seen how police treat people of color; attended hearing two years ago to oppose surveillance cameras, supports defunding
Tadea Martin-Gonzalez	Ward 6	echoed calls to defund by 50%; urged council to move forward with suggestions from Ezekiel
Annie White	Ward 3	seems clear city does not have effective leadership; asked fellow residents to think about replacement for Narkewicz
Emily Heiple, Phoebe Warner	Ward 7	urged starting with 50% and moving toward abolition; referred to former Northampton residents who were brave abolitionists such as Sojourner Truth

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONDUCTED AS AN ON-LINE ZOOM MEETING
Northampton, MA

Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President Gina-Louise Sciarra. At 8:14 p.m. on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

At-Large Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra
Ward 1 Councilor Michael J. Quinlan, Jr.
Ward 2 Councilor Karen Foster
Ward 3 Councilor James B. Nash
Ward 4 Councilor John Thorpe
At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight
Ward 5 Councilor Alex Jarrett
Ward 6 Councilor Marianne LaBarge
Ward 7 Councilor Rachel Maiore

Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

Councilor Sciarra announced that the meeting was being held via remote participation and audio and video recorded.

Public Comment

Public Comment

Public Hearings Announcement of public hearing concerning the Northampton Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025 - Thursday, June 18, 2020

Public Hearings

Announcement of a public hearing concerning the Northampton Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025 - Thursday, June 18, 2020

Councilor Sciarra read the following announcement:
In accordance with The Charter of Northampton, Massachusetts, Article 7 Finance and Fiscal Procedures, Section 7-5: Capital Improvement Program, (b) Public Hearing. BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing via remote participation on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 7:05 p.m. The City Council will consider the Capital Improvement Program for FY2021-FY2025, and hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon. Instructions for accessing the public hearing will be posted on the June 18, 2020 City Council agenda which can be found on the City of Northampton website at www.northamptonma.gov. The City Council meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Public Hearing - 20.048 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (Petition #25763215 - two petitions)

Public Hearing on 20.048 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (Petition #25763215 - two petitions)

Councilor Sciarra introduced the public hearing on the pole petition by reading the legal notice.

Councilor Dwight moved to open the public hearing. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. The hearing was opened at 8:18 p.m.

National Grid representative Lisa Jasinski was not in attendance. No other National Grid representative appeared to be present.

Councilor Dwight moved to continue the hearing to the next meeting. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Continuation of Public Hearing (from June 3, 2020) Concerning the FY21 Budget

Continuation of Public Hearing (from June 3, 2020) Concerning the FY21 Budget

Councilor Dwight moved to open the continued public hearing. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The hearing was opened at 8:23 p.m.

Lois Ahrens noted that, as Rose Bookbinder mentioned, yesterday while the city council was meeting and people were speaking, the mayor of Los Angeles recommended cutting $150 million from the FY2021 police budget. He said he would reallocate those dollars to communities of color to “invest in jobs and education and healing.” The $150 million cut is about 8% of the LA police budget. If they were to do that here, the cut would be a little more than half a million dollars, a good place to start in 2021. Northampton is a small town with a population of 30,000. There are 60 sworn officers. The average police force for a town its size is 48. Way too many, but far less than what they have here, considering they have almost no crime. Northampton police armed with guns and tasers have become an expensive substitute for health and mental health

providers and mediators, she asserted. They do not need armed police addressing vandalism, drug overdoses, noise complaints and mask compliance and interacting with people who are unhoused or misusing substances. Now is the time to reject the mayor's request and significantly reduce the police budget and redirect money to providing needed services, connections and care which will be more effective and less expensive when done by non-violent trained outreach people from the community for the community.

Alex Holland of Chicopee voiced support for defunding the police and recommended that, if the department continues to exist, it switch to a type of cruisers that are not a danger to pedestrians and do not cost so much money to fuel.

Theo Peierls pointed out that Black and brown residents have spoken out against the violence and discrimination they have experienced at the hands of Northampton police. To fund the Northampton police is to cause harm to marginalized communities. Funding social services and community programs is the only option that will uplift all participants rather than perpetuate existing violent systems.

Ashley Rogers, who identified herself as a South Hadley resident and member of the Western MA Independent Socialist Group, referred to a Mass Live article two weeks ago quoting the mayor as saying the equivalent of 17.25 jobs are being cut. This is right before a recession. After saving $600,000 with these cuts, the city is giving $200,000 to the police department, a full third of that amount. Why does the police department need extra dollars, to buy more military equipment and weaponry to patrol their streets, to pepper spray people for participating in democracy? Senior services are being cut by 25%, veterans' services are being cut by $60,000 and Superintendent Provost said in February that the school district is going to be short almost $600,000. Why is this desperately-needed money going to the police? This money should not be given to the police to buy more military equipment, this money should be given to their schools. 38% of Northampton renters pay more than half their income to pay rent. Why isn't this money being used on affordable housing? This money should be used where it actually matters; they need to demilitarize the police, they need to cut the police budget like LA just did.

"We are hurting because of corona virus…and this is only going to hurt us more."

Esther White, Ward 1, said she has two young children and her children's grandparents also live in Northampton. Her family is very invested in this city. "We need to make changes and urgently. We need to do more than acknowledge other people's suffering." A moment of silence or resolution is meaningless without action, she observed.

The city budget is a reflection of their priorities. She demanded that the council begin to address institutional racism and the global pandemic by rejecting the police budget. Responding to a revenue shortfall in the face of a global pandemic by cutting senior services and veterans' services is unconscionable. She proceeded to relate creative ways one small city department and an all-volunteer board has found to serve its community. As a board member of the Northampton Arts council, she watched the arts and culture department rapidly pivot from developing arts and cultural programs to offering mutual aid to its community. Before the shutdown, arts council members were preparing for the spring arts round. The council quickly pivoted to develop an emergency fund for local artists and has since raised and distributed $40,000 to 120 artists. Board members also leveraged resources for fundraising to purchase and distribute personal protective equipment (PPE). A budget that slashes human services while funding a police increase shows a lack of compassion and a failure of imagination. Now is the time to reevaluate the position they give to police in their community. Officers are not equipped to address public health or social problems, nor should they be called upon to do so. "We need to stop relying on the police to address mental health crises, opiate addiction, smoking cessation, social distancing and homelessness." She implored them to make a commitment to address racism with more than a moment of silence, reject the proposed budget and prioritize social services, education and public health.

Megan Canterella of Easthampton said she was here to demand that the Northampton Police Department (NPD) be defunded and defunded substantially and that those funds be allocated to social services. Ironically, some of the best points for defunding the police were made last night inadvertently by Chief Kasper during the budget hearing. Last night, Chief Kasper admitted that crime is most often the result of poverty and desperation, then turned around to use that to justify

siphoning more and more resources toward policing during a pandemic and economic crisis. Police don't help the community, particularly the most vulnerable. Chief Kasper claims she would love to see more social workers involved in crisis calls but that this would be expensive. With the money that could be saved by taking back these resources from the over-funded police department, they could better fund social services and also keep police away from those situations where they would likely do more harm than good.

In 2018, when Chief Kasper defended the department's need for $75,000 for unspecified military tactical gear and training, she stated that if any of her officers were asked to lessen their carrying of firearms, she wouldn't have any officers anymore. She said herself that not one officer would stay if their job was to help the community without the threat of force. In Minneapolis, the city council has discussed the idea of disbanding the police force altogether. LA is cutting its police budget after a huge public outcry. The fact that the police chief is asking for more money just days after one of her officers maced a teenager is disturbing. They need to seriously defund this department. People have suggested slashing it by at least half and cutting the number of officers by at least half.

The macing of a 15-year old on Monday is just the latest incident proving there is no place for police in their community or society at large, Rowan Luftan said. She calls on Northampton to immediately abolish the NPD and sever all ties with state and national policing units. Minneapolis councilors are working on this; they can too. For anyone confused about what this would look like, she recommended the book "The End of Policing." "No justice, no peace," she concluded.

Ben Raivel, Ward 7, said in recent days there has been much discussion of privilege and the responsibility of those with privilege to use it to the benefit of those without. Northampton is a privileged community. They are not just privileged economically but privileged by the fact that they have a city council and a mayor who are willing to give people a voice on the matter of policing and seem to be committed to finding the most beneficial solutions. Because of this privilege they have a responsibility to act. Northampton should be pushing the envelope in terms of alternative methods to insure public safety and well-being rather than doing the bare minimum to remain in compliance with national standards. Although he wasn't able to attend the whole hearing, one of the things that stood out to him was Chief Kasper's characterization of police attempts at having a dialogue with the community. Chief Kasper tried to shift the responsibility for lack of a productive dialogue to residents rather than police. Instead of pointing fingers, he thinks it's more informative to take a step back and consider that the fact that dialogue is impossible even in such a progressive community indicates that there is a divide between police and civilians that cannot be bridged. It is a divide formed by the inherent and voluntary hierarchy created by an armed police force. Implicit bias trainings and community engagement efforts are half-hearted attempts to paint over this hierarchy. Considering Chief Kasper cannot provide any evidence that these efforts have been beneficial other than anecdotal reports, they are nothing more than aesthetic changes that hold no benefit for Northampton residents. Their tax dollars flow to the other side of this divide to the tune of $7 million a year and yet are not returned to them in a meaningfully beneficial way. As a result, like the many people who have spoken before him, he urged the city council and the mayor to drastically reduce police funding and replace the vast majority of police responsibilities with more safe and effective measures.

Paul Waterman said he is confused about why they are going after the police department when he thinks there are other areas of the city budget that deserve to be looked at in terms of defining waste. To compare the Northampton Police Department with the awful situation that happened in Minneapolis is a little bit unfair to Northampton police. He is in favor of increasing funding for social services and education but believes there are other areas of the budget to look at. If the real purpose is to look at funding for senior services and other areas, he thinks they're looking at the wrong area.

Sadie Sherberg, Ward 3, urged them to deny the budget request from the police department. She noticed at yesterday's hearing there was more vigor in the questioning of Superintendent Provost about the quality of sports gear and their own children's athletic careers than questions soft-balled to the police chief about her budget increase. It is despicable and craven that they kowtow to the police chief continuously as witnessed by two council meetings he attended about further funding for riot gear for the NPD in 2018. He also commented on the 'outsized role' of police unions and fraternal order of police organizations. No other public union has the same bargaining power and influence as the police union. He is a restaurant worker and knows the

police aren't labor. Police are historically and currently the ones called to crack down on labor. Abolish the police, black lives matter, he exhorted.

Rachel Powers, Ward 4, said she agrees with the overwhelming response they've heard last night and tonight and urges them to not only reject the proposed budget but to defund the NPD. Those funds need to be redistributed to social programs that will actually help and strengthen their community.

Sara Howard, Ward 5, said she is a registered nurse working in the field of addiction treatment. Her patients are struggling with houselessness and a dire lack of resources. Many patients fall out of care due to a lack of basic resources such as a bed to sleep in at night, a phone and transportation. Many of her patients also fall out of care when they go to jail for activities they end up engaging in in order to survive. She is privileged to get to know her patients' stories well and can assure them that these are good people facing impossible situations. As teachers, health care workers and social workers already understand, to address difficult behaviors, they need to find out where needs are not being met and meet them. An armed police force is not appropriately matched to performing the social-work type outreach that is often needed.

She is a parent of two children in the Northampton public schools and the presence of a police officer in the schools does not make her feel safer. Instead, it sends the message they expect violence from their children and will meet it with more violence, she suggested. A police presence in schools tells children they believe they have already failed them. Funding increased salaries and new police cruisers while so many of their fellow community members remain unhoused is simply not reasonable. In the COVD pandemic, they can only expect more houselessness and unemployment for the foreseeable future. The budget should prioritize a plan for addressing those increased needs over an increase in the police department budget. She encouraged the council to reject the increase for the police department and urged the mayor to reallocate the funds toward housing, social services, schools and meeting the basic needs of the most vulnerable among them. Going forward, she recommended forming a special commission to study a shift in practices toward scaling back the police force and addressing these issues holistically.

Ethan Tupelo, Ward 1 resident and member of the Pedal People Cooperative, said he wanted to speak about the DPW budget and, in a roundabout way, police. He stressed that he was speaking as a member/worker and not representing the cooperative as a whole. He appreciates that several council members tried to ask questions about concerns raised in their letters to them, however, he doesn't believe they received complete answers from the mayor or DPW director.

The line item for security services in the FY2021 solid waste enterprise budget (page 99) is $120,000, he pointed out. In last year's budget it was $10,000. This increase is not for police officers directing traffic on Locust Street on Saturdays. Since the COVID situation began, there is now a five-vehicle limit for the use of the transfer station and vehicles wait in three lanes until a space opens up. It appears there is always a police officer stationed there whose main function seems to be to choose which vehicle moves forward next. From his own experience, the peak wait time can be up to 20 minutes. He wants the council to question if this job really needs to be filled by a police officer, especially at this expense. He suggested instead giving someone a DPW vest and calling the police in extreme situations if needed. While they have an additional $100,000 in recycling costs, this additional security detail is budgeted for $110,000 more than last year. In short, prices are being raised and city services cut back more because of this police detail than for recycling. He urged the council to question the use of police as a default solution to this and other similar situations in the city.

Ward 1 resident Mark Cody said he, like many others, has gone to protests against the killing of black people by police. They are not anti-police; they are antiracist. He believes racism is not just a belief by individuals, it is a system. As a lifelong resident, community organizer and concerned citizen, he urged the council to vote against the Mayor's proposed budget as presented. With regard to the proposed increase to the police department of nearly $200,000 while many other important departments face significant budget cuts, in the middle of a pandemic-caused budget crisis it would at the very least be unwise to approve further budget increases for the NPD while around 20 city employees lose their jobs. Even the mayor says crime continues to trend downward. Relying on law enforcement to lead the city's efforts on the pandemic response endangers both them and us. They need to think what other departments are equipped to best

prepare their citizens to get through this disaster safely. Due to unforeseen circumstances of COVID-19, he thinks they should consider delaying contractual salary increases for NPD officers and the acquisition of new hybrid patrol vehicles. He thinks salary increases and a transition to hybrid vehicles can wait until the pandemic is behind them. While the senior center is currently shut down and may not need its full operating budget, there are some programs seniors rely on that must continue. It is vital that funding be allocated to restart its affiliated transportation van so seniors will have access to rides for essential medical appointments, grocery and pharmacy visits. Also, the office of veterans' services is being expected to continue to fully operate while absorbing a significant cut to its already small budget. "We need our budget to reflect the values of our great city," he affirmed.

Brett Constantine, Willow Street, said he is a member of the bicycle/pedestrian subcommittee and a worker/owner of pedal people but speaking on his own behalf. He dittoed not raising the police budget and seriously considering cutting it. Regarding the transfer station system where only five vehicles at a time are allowed to dump compost and waste while others must wait their turn, in the summer, most cars will be idling, posing many health concerns for those waiting in line, including heat exhaustion and fumes. There was a 'no idling' sign at the transfer station but it seems to have been removed. It is very car-centered at the moment, but it is a big outside area and he thinks they can begin allowing more vehicles at a time. As Ethan mentioned, police are being used simply to direct traffic and he thinks that money could be better spent by leaving another day open. The DPW has already eliminated a day and the proposal is to cut yet another day from the transfer center's schedule. He is worried it will be a slippery slope and lead to a degradation of the product and more people taking their business elsewhere. It is a public resource which would be a shame to lose. "Please use it; please buy your blue bags," he encouraged fellow residents.

Celina Della Croce, Ward 5, coordinator of Tri-Continental Institute for Social Research, said she is against increasing funding for the police and thinks instead it needs to be cut. If they cut the police force in half and lay off 36 officers, it would free up $3.5 million. She proposed the following uses for this money:

- They are in the middle of a pandemic, so if they are really concerned about public safety, they should be producing testing kits, which are not even available to first responders.
- They could be providing housing to people who don't have homes and can't possibly practice sanitary measures such as washing their hands and isolating since they have nowhere to go.
- They could be providing food to people considering that massive unemployment has left a lot of people food insecure.

The International Labor Organization projects there to be 3.4 trillion people (sic) who have lost their jobs globally; 1.8 million people in the U.S. filed for unemployment last week and 2.1 million the week before, adding to the tally of 42.2 million filing for unemployment in just eleven weeks. If they want to talk about public health and enacting the values Northampton claims to have, that could look like actually taking care of each other in the midst of a pandemic. The amount of money spent on one load of riot gear could buy 55 front-line workers full PPE. A helmet costs $170; a face shield for a front-line medical worker costs $2.70. She thinks they need to think about how they are prioritizing their resources. Others have talked about the gross brutality and violations of police across the country. Northampton isn't an exception. The first day she moved to Northampton she watched the Northampton police drag a homeless man down the street where she works on his back in the ice. They need to not just reject the funding but also cut their police measures; Minneapolis has done something similar. She is against the budget increase and thinks the budget should be cut in half, she reiterated.

Isadora Germain (they/them pronouns), who lives in Amental healtherst and works in Northampton, said they believe it would be extremely irresponsible to raise the NPD budget during this crisis. They have done nothing to keep Black and brown people safe. They echoed what people said yesterday and today: defund the police and put the money toward human services that will benefit the community.

Margot Shocket-Greene, Ward 2, said she graduated from NHS last year and was the chair and co-chair of the Mayor's Youth Commission for two years. She thanked City Councilors for listening to the public testimony and for providing this space for discourse on very difficult issues. She has lived in the city her entire life and knows how much their community identifies as one that seeks to be a leader in social justice and progressive change. Fighting for equity and justice

has always been what the citizens of Northampton have prioritized and voiced with their votes and demonstrations. Now they must prioritize intersectional issues. They want to make their voices heard on the subject of police brutality and systemic oppression that plagues their community. It must be acknowledged that their community is not immune to the institutionalized racism which occurs within their police force and affects black citizens disproportionately and violently. They are not outliers amongst the rest of the state or the rest of the country. The citizens of color in their city have felt the impact of racial profiling and unjust violence just as any other community has. She asked that they consider the wishes of the community and think of the change that can stem from these budget meetings. Even if the decisions made tonight may not impact the future of the city or the police department, the city council can start by taking action to research and propose progressive ordinances which will have a great impact on their city. Alternative methods to policing have been suggested by citizens, and she asks that they consider these in order to build a safer system to benefit all members of this community. This movement will not end, and she is asking that they all be a part of it. She asks them to consider the personal experiences and research that people have brought to them in these past meetings and pair them with their own investigation. They have the opportunity to be a leader in the movement against racism and brutality for other communities and she hopes they act according to the beliefs that they hope to uphold as the City of Northampton to fight against racism and violence.

Katie Lienert, Florence resident and NHS 2019 graduate, strongly urged the city council and fellow citizens to separate their personal positive experiences with the NPD from their decision on the budget expansion. She recognizes her white privilege and understands that her positive experiences with the police department do not make them good cops. They've heard countless voices on why policing is systematically racist and she urges them to educate themselves on this issue outside of this meeting. "We cannot sweep these incidents under the rug to preserve the heroic reputation." Hundreds sat through the seven-hour budget hearing last night sharing their personal or witnessed experiences with police brutality and it would be a slap in their face to vote 'yes' on the police budget increase. "I beg you to open your eyes, ears and mind," she implored.

Orianna Riley, Ward 3, echoed calls to defund the police, specifically by cutting the budget and number of officers by half. He recognizes that all they can do tonight is reject or approve the budget. The meetings of yesterday and today have shown that the alternatives to policing people are discussing actually get to a greater issue of how the budget is decided. Clearly the mayor has almost full control over the budget and is heavily influenced by the police union. A new piece of information he would like to add is something called participatory budgeting which has been used in many cities around the country and often leads to reductions in police budgets because it gives control to community members to decide what the budget is in a much more democratic and representative way. "Cut the budget in half and look into participatory budgeting," he urged.

Sailor Ciccheti, Ward 1, said she would like to reiterate the horror that several other people have expressed that they have a police force that is willing to pepper-spray a 15-year old child for protesting but is unwilling to give up military-grade armaments. It's also important to note that increasing the police budget in light of the death of George Floyd and several other black community members across the country is not only tone deaf but is also a slap in the face to Northampton citizens of color who have been irreparably harmed by police brutality. She pointed to Minneapolis, where the city council not only vowed to defund the police but are looking at disbanding the police altogether. She suggested that they improve social programs and increase funding to emergency medical services because that would make their community safer. Communities across the country with the least amount of crime and violence are not those with more policing but are those with more access to social and economic resources. That is why she is here tonight, to call to not only defund but to disband their police force entirely. She also calls upon the mayor and city council members to listen to what has been said by the majority here today and to make their final decisions based upon empathy, especially for the marginalized voices who have spoken out. Black lives matter, and white silence is violence, she concluded.

Sylvia Simmons, Northampton, said she is in agreement with the majority of those who have spoken on defunding the police. During this time of uncertainty, the Northampton Police Department's presence only adds to the stress she is already feeling in the midst of this pandemic. Not only do they follow, harass and generally disturb the communities of color in this community, but the people of color who are visiting as well. They escalate situations they should not be in charge of responding to in the first place. In her five years in Northampton, she's witnessed and received testimony about police harassing teens and young adults of color at

various bus stops around town and not announcing themselves as they pound and pound on residents' doors. This happened at her own apartment twice in the past year. She has also interacted with police coming to the wrong residence and proceeding to question her anyway or needing to be pointed in the direction of the right residence. Just last year, she was approached for questioning while sitting in her car in her driveway. She believes there is so much more the town could be doing with all the money going to the police department. She would like to see the police budget cut in half over the next few years.

Donovan Lee, Easthampton, former Northampton resident, said he would like to stand in solidarity with the movement to significantly decrease the police budget. As an experienced EMT, he's worked closely with police on the scene of mental health crises. On the way to these calls he has always worried that the officers on scene, who are there purely for the physical safety of EMS and the patient, would have no real concern for that safety. He's been asked many times by police to approach people reported to be violent, armed or both first or, even worse, arrived to find police yelling in the faces of mental health patients. In contrast, he has arrived on scenes with mobile counselors to find them calmly speaking with patients and trying to get them true, meaningful help. 'We the people' don't ask for defunding of the police department; "we demand it," he said.

Jon Liebman, Northampton, said he would like to speak as an older person born in the 1950's, in the days when the law upheld segregation and discrimination. Over those decades, he has seen police attack and beat civil rights protestors, anti-war demonstrators, anti-nuclear demonstrators, etc., up to the present moment, when police are once again attacking and beating demonstrators for racial justice. He expressed hope for better future conditions, a future which is less militarized, less violent. If they continue to uphold the status quo, they will continue down the path towards an increasingly ugly and dystopian future with more inequality and more violence. They've already trashed America. They've institutionalized racism and inequality, marginalized people, impoverished cities and defunded public services and now find themselves unable to respond to the COVID pandemic. They've unleashed the police powers of the state on those who simply demand a better future. The council should listen to the voices it's heard and cut the police department's budget significantly, spending that money on services best delivered by civilians instead of armed police. They'll know in a few years if that was wise. "If we don't take that step, we will surely know that we've failed."

Day Sibley Hale, Ward 1B, they/them, said supposedly city council members hold the positions they do because they care about public safety and well-being. If this is actually the case, they should be enthusiastic to be given the opportunity to join them in working to defund and abolish the police. Chief Kasper herself said yesterday that police are given a few years of training and a lot of weapons and expected to handle everything from organizing traffic to helping a rape victim. Chief Kasper says it's a difficult job to do right, they say it's an impossible job to do right. There are some improvements they can make – they can try to use guns less and hire social workers - but again and again they will run into the fact that it's not a good system broken by Trump or a few bad apples but a bad system working exactly as it's supposed to. The city's own website discusses the history of Northampton policing, how it started off as the Northampton Society for Thieves and Robbers intended to provide protection of property. When an actual police department was formed, its mission was to keep order, remove suspected persons and protect property from loss or damage. The police's job is and always has been to protect capital and capitalism, not protect people. They reminded fellow community members that "we are the community, not them." Whatever they do, they can and must work on emergency response and mutual aid programs apart from the police. Doing so can make their community safer and police will become less and less important.

Emily Divens, Northampton, voiced support for defunding and demilitarizing the police and diverting those funds into social services.

Felix Willenburg, Ward 2, they/them pronouns, said they are requesting the council to not pass the budget for the Northampton Police Department. They worked as a licensed nurse in multiple outpatient settings and, in each of their jobs, they've dealt with medical and mental health crises. When they call emergency services, they need help from someone with specific training and resources to help them with what's happening. They cannot remember any time when they've felt that they needed a police officer. They have never felt that they are there to protect either them or their patients. They want someone to help de-escalate without force, not to

come in with a gun on their belt. Current best practice standards for reducing trauma in mental health care heavily emphasize reducing or eliminating the role of police in crisis intervention and replacing them with trained mental health professionals, they shared. They think of limiting funding to the police as an opportunity to begin reforming how they maintain public safety and establishing public services that will effectively serve their community.

Matthew Grimaldi, Northampton, said 'ditto' to everything said about defunding the police. Police are a fixture in society that disproportionally harm and attack people of color, specifically black people in this community. It is unconscionable to give that community more money when they hurt another community.

Cecelia Major, Ward 3B, said she echoed what the majority of attendees had said. She urged councilors to look at mpd150.com. This organization makes very humane arguments and may help them understand ways to go about the defunding of police. She shared the words of a close friend, a young woman of color, who would often ask her to stay in her car when she was driving through downtown Northampton. As she said, the longer she had a white woman in her car, the safer she was and less likely to be pulled over by the police. This not only broke her heart but broke her illusion that system racism and police brutality as an institution doesn't affect them in Northampton. It doesn't affect those of them who are white and middle class, which are the majority of the voices both speaking and listening tonight. She urged them to only approve any budget that forces the NPD to shrink and to reallocate those funds to not only supporting social services that currently exist but to creating new communities as Councilor Maiore suggested yesterday.

Caleb Simone, Ward 5, pointed out that voices heard supporting the increased budget for police have not spoken to any positive confrontational experiences. They have spoken to their concept of the police or to their bureaucratic interactions, such as Wendy Foxmyn's testimony. That is a privileged perspective. Those interactions have nothing to do with the actual police presence in the community. "I don't care if individual cops are friendly to white women; I care about the violence they enact on vulnerable and minority populations," he stressed. Every officer is complicit in every act of police brutality committed in their community. If the city council actually listens, they will not only veto this proposed budget but will take steps to defund the police immediately. The community is watching them and will hold them accountable, he pledged.

Patty O'Neill, Ward 5, she/her, echoed what many said about rejecting the proposed budget increase, defunding the police, supporting social services and finding more compassionate ways of dealing with problems facing the community.

Dana Goldblatt said she didn't know if Jamila Gore was present but wanted to make sure there is time for her since she got cut off last time. She encouraged Councilor Sciarra to go off queue to let people of color who have had experience with the Northampton police speak.

Jamila Gore was able to continue her testimony yesterday on another device, Councilor Sciarra informed her.

Robbie Dunning, Greenfield resident, former Northampton resident, added his voice as a resounding ditto to the diversity of voices calling for the council to reject the budget increase, defund the police and redistribute those funds to better-served areas such as schools, PPE, social workers, better low income housing and city-wide research to fully defund the police.

Hillary Montague-Asp, co-chair of GLSEN, Mass., said she was speaking on behalf of GLSEN, the nation's leading organization working to make schools safer for LGBTQ students. As an organization, they are here to demand that the nearly $200,000 increase to the Northampton Police Department budget not be granted and also that the department be abolished as a whole. GLSEN conducts a national school climate survey every two years. The last couple of decades of data from this survey tells them that queer and trans students of color, especially black students, experience incredibly high rates of verbal harassment and physical assault at school and experience school discipline at a much higher rate than their white counterparts. Specifically, 46.7% of black LGBTQ students, 44.1% of Latinx LGBTQ students and 47.3% of multi-racial LGBTQ students reported being disciplined at school in the last year as compared to 36% of white LGBTQ students. Students who experience increased levels of school discipline often are forced out of school and end up in prisons and jails. While it may seem impossible to defund the

police, GLSEN Massachusetts can promise them that it is not.

Karle Tonge, they/them pronouns, Easthampton, said it is important to acknowledge that the pandemic has had a disproportionate effect on the black community and people of color. The response should not be to use this crisis to increase the militarization and presence of police in their society. The idea of buying hybrids for the police station is an insulting example of white liberalism that cares about environmental impact but has historically ignored damage done by police to communities through the years. They echoed calls to not only vote against increasing the police budget but to defund the police and invest in community resources – housing, social workers, education – that actually help the community.

Jackie Cosse read a tweet from an anti-rape activist, writer and activist, who commented that using the phrase 'women of color' because a person is too afraid to say black is 'a tool of white violence.' She brings that up because many people have used the term 'people of color' when they actually mean black people. She has lived and worked as a social worker in Ward 1 for a little over five years and currently resides and works in NYC as a social worker for an alternative to incarceration program. She knows more than anyone how possible it is to rely on options other than police. She would be incredibly surprised if the council considered social workers as an alternative to policing; she urged folks to consider the white supremacist, savior-oriented roots embedded in social work in particular as an institution. Social workers are themselves weapons of the state as mandated reporters, she charged. Social workers are most often an extension of policing because of the way they are bound to the state through licensure. Do not replace one predominately white, state-sanctioned group with another, she urged. She echoed what others have said about considering transformative justice. As a person of color who has done restorative justice work, she is deeply disgusted by any supposed transformative or restorative work that supports policing.

She urged them to be aware that the Minneapolis police department is currently considering disbanding its police, which is unprecedented. It took the murder of George Floyd to push them to consider this. She urged the city council not to wait for the murder of a black person by police in Northampton to take action.

Jazmyne Buentello, Easthampton resident who grew up in Northampton, said she does not support a budget increase to the NPD; she does not believe they need it. Chief Kasper herself acknowledged she does not know if the training programs they send officers to produce real results. Regarding step raises, If there was ever a time to implement impact bargaining, now would be the time. She feels the NPD needs to make a better effort to not be a burden on a limited budget during a global pandemic when the whole world is struggling. Asking for hybrid cruisers just seems really inappropriate. They heard Superintendent Provost say there are at least 20 families they were not able to help during this crisis. There are plenty of departments that deserve this money more. Please do the right thing. "Invest in your city and your children."

Alyssa Kuhn, Ward 6, loudly agreed and seconded everyone who has called for rejecting the increase proposed for the police. $200,000 is not pocket money and it is insensitive and grossly inappropriate during these times. If council members still approve the increase after all the emails and calls, they have failed the people who have put them there.

Joshua Strassman, Amherst resident and educator and member of the Massachusetts Teacher's Association (MTA), shared the saying that students' learning conditions are teachers' working conditions. If students come in hungry, it's their problem. If they don't have adequate housing or are harassed or pepper-sprayed by the police, it's their problem. As an educator, he can tell them people are struggling. Now is the time to defund the police and put money into insuring that everyone has food and housing. He agreed with one thing Chief Kasper said: No one knows if training works.

Shira Breen, Ward 3, said she is writing to demand that Northampton defund the police. She was raised to believe the police keep her safe. She's from Minneapolis and, like Northampton, despite the many awards Minneapolis police have received, it did not take long to realize they were killing people. Police in Minneapolis are still police, police in Northampton are still police, police at birthday parties are still police; police kneeling are still police. They reject a false sense of safety from murderous hands. At this moment when their president is egging on police violence against protestors, increasing the police budget is exactly what Trump wants them to do.

There is no middle ground. It's a question of which side of history they will be on - Trump's police state or the people they claim to serve and protect. She understands abolishing police may be scary because they might lose their jobs but they can help them find another job. They can't bring back people killed by the police. It's time they follow the lead of the Minneapolis city council that is currently discussing disbanding the police and the lead of the LA city council that defunded police by $150 million. At the very least, reject this egregious budget increase. People were out all night last night and they aren't going anywhere anytime soon. "Do your jobs as the democratic leaders we elected" and defund the police, she insisted.

Emma Kohlmann, Ward 4, said she agrees with the majority of people speaking tonight and last night calling for rejecting the increased budget for the Noho police and using the money for social services, PPE and schools. If they are truly anti-racist, they will reject the proposed budget. Laziness is no excuse. White supremacy feeds on white silence and white complicity. Chief Kasper has done little to show her constituents that she cares about these issues, saying that the public doesn't want to engage with her and placing blame on the community. The protest last week was met with total and utter hostility by Noho PD. A peaceful protest organized by high school students; a peaceful protest where a child was maced. No words were exchanged; just total and utter hostility. Birthday parades don't need armed officers, taking care of their houseless population with force is not a humane way to treat people. "We need medical professionals, therapists; people on the ground, not people with guns." She believes the funds can be better utilized.

Councilor Sciarra stated that it is 9:36 p.m. They are going to have to close this at some point so they can get to the rest of their agenda. She announced her intention to take the next eight speakers.

Belen Rodriguez, she/her pronouns, Ward 3, reiterated that the council must reject the proposed increase in the Northampton police budget and consider eventually defunding the NPD entirely. Homelessness, racial discrimination and gun violence are not inevitable crises; they are the direct result of policy decisions and investing more money in the police department is not a solution to these crises. For many of the most marginalized people in their community, police signal less safety not more.

Zalia Maya, District 1, said she is here to question the necessity of Mayor Narkewicz's request for a $200,000 increase in police funding. She was surprised by this proposal given the mayor's budget statement that "crime continues to trend downward in this city." If crime rates have been steadily decreasing, why does the NPD need more funding? As the mayor stated on Facebook, 25% of the increase is going toward the purchase of hybrid cars. Northampton teachers have been asking for a raise and have been told there is no money. But, miraculously, there is money for hybrid police cruisers. A city shows its values in the way it spends its tax money. Throughout yesterday's meeting, councilors continuously praised the NPD for being progressive. Yet they failed to recall that, several years ago, the police department and chief in particular proposed to go to Israel to learn about police techniques from the IDF. To learn training from an organization committed to the occupation of the Palestinians suggests that the police see themselves as an occupying force. These decisions only prove Northampton's lack of regard for true public safety.

Jake Wise referred to statements that this is the first city council experience for a lot of people. He had one a few years ago when police wanted to install surveillance cameras downtown, an action which would also impact people of color and undocumented residents disproportionately. Council members did the right thing in that case. He wants to see them build on that. They have the ability to do the right thing, so do it. With the number of people in favor of this, if they don't, they are probably going to have people running against them in the next election. He urged them to follow in the steps of Minneapolis and LA, which are taking huge, huge steps.

Cleo Bezee, Ward 3, echoed what 'literally every community member' has said about defunding the police. Last night, Jody Kasper talked about wanting more training for cops around mental health and addiction. She just wanted to make really clear that cops have no place in mental health care or people's addiction recovery. Addiction is pretty criminalized in this country, especially for black and brown folks and for houseless people. At best, what cops do in times of crises is section people – forcibly hospitalize and drug them – and, at worst, kill people. A lot of the crisis services in Northampton are directly connected to cops and will call the police on people they deem unsafe to themselves. With regard to the idea that the NPD just needs more

de-escalation training or more diversity hires, they can see pretty clearly that de-escalation training doesn't do anything. The Minneapolis police department had de-escalation training and was seen as a really progressive police department. She urged city council members to do their job and actually represent the voices of their community. "We've made it incredibly clear that we want to defund the police department in Northampton," she reminded.

Natalie Foust, Ward 5, said that in her time in Northampton she had been stalked. She went to the police and they did nothing. She has dealt with addiction and thinks the only reason she got through and got sober is because she didn't have to deal with police because she had a house and access to a therapist. They should be making sure that everybody has these opportunities; that is the only way to make a community safe. She echoed everything everybody said.

Ryan Cheevers Brown, Ward 7, commented that, before they advocate completely defunding the police department, they should at least go over the expenditures and find out what Chief Kasper wants the $200,000 for. Additionally, he echoed what other people said about expanding health care and hiring social workers to deal with people who are not in a very good place.

Cailin, Ward 1, echoed those who spoke before her and called for defunding the Northampton police. She stated for the record that Jody Kasper broke her heart last night. She can't speak to the experience of the black community, but it was her experience as a minor in crisis that she would literally have done anything to receive help from a social worker instead of a police officer, but they were the only ones available. At 16 years old, when she was running away from home at night during a domestic violence crisis, the first place she went was the Domino's on King Street and then the Pride gas station and every other 24-hour business on that street. Why did she choose to go to random businesses instead of the police department? Because she was scared; she was vulnerable. She was in crisis and needed help from real human beings with hearts. Eventually she did make the most regrettable decision of her life, which was to turn to the NPD for help. She won't even begin to detail how they only worsened her trauma. She asked Chief Kasper to speak to her so-called fleet (sic) and see what they had to say about the concerns she and every other person who spoke has raised. While she's at it, maybe also look into why police language is so militarized, something they'd never find in an institution working for the well-being of the public. Council members have record proof that a Northampton minor looking for crisis help and comfort literally chose a commercial pizza store on the side of the street over the police department. What will they do with this information? She asked rhetorically.

Voula O'Grady, Ward 3, she/they, urged members to defund the police and invest in social services, especially in funding for community organizations like Tapestry. If the idea of shifting funding away from the police seems daunting, she reminded them that there are people willing to help. There are evidence-based resources on how to divest from militarized police forces. They have mentioned wanting to fight racism so she urged them to center the voices of people most directly affected. Some people are saying that police make them feel safe and protected but a lot of other people are saying that the police make them feel less safe. If they are one of the people who feel safe, they really need to listen to what other people are saying. The U.S. police force originated as patrols against enslaved people. They've always existed to protect the existing social order, and the existing social order has always been extremely inequitable. She urged them to shift funding toward supporting community members' needs rather than criminalizing them. They can take a step toward making this happen by denying this budget increase.

Casey Flaherty, an Easthampton resident who works in Northampton, said she believes police used to be about 'protect and serve' and now are about trying to catch good people doing something wrong. In 2016 she was wrongfully arrested by a cop trying to make his quota for the night. She had to go to trial to prove her innocence and get justice. A jury had to decide her fate and there was no evidence. The officer on the stand agreed he had no reason to pull her over or arrest her that night; but this was after her paying over seven grand and losing years of her life to a fight. Her father was attacked by a drunk man who got out of his car in a rage when her dad kindly asked him to move out of the driveway. The police showed up and didn't arrest the man for being under the influence or attacking her father because he was friends with the cop. Incidents like this happen all over all the time. She never felt safe when cops came into her middle school. In towns nearby - Easthampton, Northampton and Greenfield - there've been so many bad cases. "We can't let this budget get increased; we can't let it pass," she pleaded.
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Susan Edelstein, Ward 4, said her primary goal in speaking is to echo everyone else's request

to reject the proposed budget. The police budget should not be increased but should be either defunded or cut drastically. In addition, police should be demilitarized. She mentioned the city's needs for COVID-related testing, senior services, veterans' services, food assistance, housing and expanded public transportation. She thinks the city should start thinking outside the box. In addition to subsidized housing development, is there a possibility the city could have a subsidy program such as Section 8? In sum, for right now, reject the proposed budget. Go back to the drawing board.

Charlotte Kohlmann, Ward 3, said she rejects the budget increase of nearly $200,000 and urges them to defund the police. Not only would increasing contractual salaries, training and hybrid cars squander the memory of black lives that have been lost but it would ignore Northampton's most vulnerable residents. Rubber bullets, batons and tear gas may be categorized as less lethal ammunition, but they still cause irreversible harm. They fracture skulls, blind and cause brain damage. Last week, high school students who marched peacefully wanted to converse with officers, but the police belittled them and caused unnecessary tension. They stood in a blockade of silence holding shields and teargassed children. She asked Chief Kasper why, if she prides herself on working with the community, she did not speak to protestors that day. Police departments across America are in charge of way too much. They are not health care workers or social workers yet they are taking on social issues such as addiction, substance abuse and mental illness. They need law enforcement alternatives that reconnect people to social networks. Minneapolis city councilors are looking to dismantle their police department and replace it with a new model for public safety; Northampton can do the same. Commenting on the opioid crisis in a 2018 Gazette article, Police Chief Kasper said "arresting people as I've been doing for 20 years doesn't work; that's the lesson we've learned." Police are not the solution. There's no perfect solution but, as Kasper mentioned, arresting people does not work.

Adele Fantasia, Ward 5, referred to the officer who made the hamburger comment. There is a video circulating on twitter with 977,000 views, 30,000 likes and 10,000 retweets, she related. She feels like that is not good in terms of optics for Northampton. What if there is a video of the cops pepper-spraying 15-year olds? That is not progressive. She thought they should know this. The culture isn't ready to abolish the police but this is a symbolic sentiment. Ideally the police will be abolished in the long-term. In the interim, they should be talking about civilian review boards and law enforcement liability insurance.

Carolyn Shread, Ward 4, echoed statements in favor of not approving the budget increase for the NPD but rather defunding if not disbanding it and reallocating funding to community resources, especially Northampton public schools where she is a student. Policing is an inherently violent, white supremacist institution and Northampton's liberal reputation does not exclude them from that. Black lives matter.

Justine Barrett Figura, Northampton resident and Florence small business owner, asked councilors to vote unanimously against the proposed budget so they may defund the Northampton police starting with FY2021. The speech given by Chief Kasper (sic) during the peaceful protest Monday suggesting that one bad hamburger doesn't discredit all other hamburgers demonstrates just how tone deaf and out of touch the Northampton police are to not only the issues surrounding the death of George Floyd but specifically to their own community standing at their very doorstep asking for, at best, reform, accountability and simple acknowledgment of police brutality, and, at the very least, simple empathy with black and brown members of the community. They have proven their worst fears are true; that they would rather hold their position than speak out against fellow law enforcers and take a knee. There are more peaceful protests organized for the coming weeks and she wants to emphasize that they are peaceful. Most years, the police budget has increased by an average of one and a half (1.5) to two percent (2%), but last year's budget proposal called for a significant increase of 13%. What exactly is the $200,000 needed for over last year's major budget increase? Someone mentioned earlier a failure of imagination as what to do with that money. She couldn't agree more. If they want to know what they could do with that money to honor their black and brown community members, they could start by asking them.

April Gray, Ward 3, said they have lived and worked in downtown Northampton for six years. Like so many others, they are here not only to oppose the increase to the police budget but to challenge the community to imagine a world without police or prisons. Several years ago, they awoke to the sound of their housemate screaming. A man had broken into their house in the

	middle of the night and fallen asleep in her bed. He had broken their back window and let himself in, obviously very intoxicated. After he left the house they pieced together that he had been a man they knew through their work. The landlord suggested they call the police. When the police arrived, they split the roommates up and questioned them separately. They accused them of lying about the fact that someone had broken into their house. They made a lot of accusations about why it was they had called for assistance. They made the situation worse and they wonder who else they could have called in that situation. They made them feel as if they had done something wrong. What would it have looked like if there were no police and they had the opportunity to call on someone who could mediate the conflict between themselves and their neighbor? What would it have looked like if they had been able to ask someone to help them lovingly hold the person accountable for the ways his behavior had harmed them? What would it have looked like to go through a process of transformative justice together and simply fix their window? They shared this anecdote to help them and implore them to imagine what kind of world might be possible if 911 were not the only emergency hotline available. Councilor Dwight moved to close the public hearing. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The public hearing was closed at 10:20 p.m.
Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs	Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs The Legislative Matters Committee will convene Monday depending on possible referrals from tonight's meeting, Councilor Dwight reminded. If there are no referrals, they will not convene.
Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors	Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors None
Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor	Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor None
Recess for Committee on City Services Meeting	At 10:23 p.m., the City Council recessed for the Committee on City Services meeting. The Committee on City Services adjourned at 10:37 p.m. The City Council reconvened at 10:37 p.m. The City Council took a five-minute recess and reconvened at 10:47 p.m.
Consent Agenda	Consent Agenda Councilor Sciarra reviewed the items on the consent agenda. She removed Item B, Approval of Pole Petitions for Park Hill Road, since the public hearing had been continued. Councilor Dwight moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. The following item was approved as part of the consent agenda: A. Minutes of May 21, 2020
Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting	At 10:49 p.m., the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance meeting. The Committee on Finance adjourned at 12:16 a.m. The City Council reconvened at 12:16 a.m.
Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)	Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review) 20.053 An Order to Approve FY2021 General Fund Budget - 1st reading Councilor Jarrett reiterated that, due to his financial interest in the Pedal People contract, he must recuse himself from discussion and action on the order to approve the overall General Fund

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budget and on any action to separate out the Pedal People contract.

To accommodate Councilor Jarrett's conflict, Councilor Sciarra called for a motion to put adoption of the FY2021 General Fund Budget (not Order 20.053 itself but the GF budget totaling $95,444,320) on the floor for discussion. Councilor Dwight so moved. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

Councilor Sciarra called for a motion to divide the question to separately consider the $38,000 line item in the Central Services Parking Maintenance budget for the Pedal People contract. Councilor Dwight so moved. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 8:0 by roll call vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

Members sought direction from the City Solicitor as to whether it was necessary to separate out the $194,000 increase to the police budget for separate discussion since it is the source of the greatest controversy. Attorney Seewald said not unless there is a conflict they are looking to cure. If they choose to propose a cut, they should indicate which budget is being reduced, he clarified.

Councilor Jarrett thanked fellow councilors for going through the machinations to allow him to participate and represent his constituents on this item. He began by acknowledging the hundreds of people who spoke, called and emailed and recognizing their courage in speaking.

"I have been horrified by the murder of George Floyd and by violent actions of police toward black and brown people around the country," Councilor Jarrett related. "The protests we've seen across the nation and here in Northampton demonstrate the built-up anger and frustration at continued oppression on top of centuries of systemic racism that denied people of color economic security, safety and respect. I am also humbled and impressed by anyone who will put their lives on the line to protect the public, and our public safety departments do this every day. I think the emergency response work that the Northampton Police Department does is crucial, and our police department has and will be undertaking significant steps to be fair and impartial and to understand racism and reduce the use of force. These actions are absolutely necessary."

"The first-person testimony on mistreatment by the Northampton police that we've heard in the hearing yesterday and today was heartbreaking," he continued. "I do trust the intentions of Chief Kasper and it's clear that there is much more work to do. There may be individuals in our police department who don't act appropriately but I do see the bigger problem as being systemic. Also, any actions that the NPD takes to improve don't get to the core of the problems our society faces – economic inequality, racism, addiction and domestic violence to name a few. I think it is worth looking at our city's budget from a new perspective. My questions are: How many of our police officers' tasks can be done by people who are not armed with specialized training with better outcomes? Last night I asked Chief Kasper how many of the department's calls are related to mental health issues, and the answer was about one in five. I spoke about a program in Eugene, OR where about one in five calls are responded to by mental health first responders rather than police. I researched this further and found articles stating that specifically-trained mental health workers, unarmed and not in a uniform, can reach better outcomes with much less cost."

It made him wonder how many of these stories would have ended differently if they'd had a program like this. How could reallocation of the funds spent on policing alleviate some of the problems that policing is intended to solve, such as housing? Would it be cheaper and create better outcomes to simply house people instead of policing them? He sees this as an opportunity to move something forward that is not new but that becomes clearer and clearer every day; a paradigm shift in their response to social problems.

Councilor Jarrett proposed starting by level funding the police department and simultaneously asking the mayor to increase social services instead. Other tasks they could take on are to create a body to explore alternatives to policing, form a select committee to work with the mayor, enact legislation to increase public safety and create a civilian oversight board for the police with power to investigate wrongdoing independently. It is the job of the city council to provide oversight of the budget and it is entirely appropriate for them to use that power if they believe it is in the best interests of the city, he professed.

The mayor has told him that if councilors do reduce the budget, he will not redirect the money but

will allow it to go back into the Fiscal Stability Fund.

As far as the council's process, he expressed his understanding that, if the order does not pass, meaning four councilors vote against it, the mayor's proposed budget will take effect July 1st, since the budget automatically takes effect if the council fails to take action. In other words, too many 'no' votes tonight are the same as a 'yes' vote and there would not be a second reading. He does not in good conscience feel that he can vote yes.

If they choose to reduce or reject, they must specify particular line items. He has not done the research as to which line items it would be appropriate to reduce. Therefore, he would want to wait until the June 18th meeting to decide in consultation with the mayor, police chief and community which line items to reduce to achieve level funding.

What are their options moving forward? He asked. If they are going to reduce particular line items, it should be a very calculated decision, he proposed.

There are only three increases to the budget: an increase to Personnel Services (PS), Ordinary Maintenance (OM) and Other than Ordinary Maintenance (OOM), Mayor Narkewicz pointed out. Level funding means not increasing those three line items, he clarified.

During the hour-long discussion that followed, questions and comments centered on the Police budget and councilors' reactions to the unprecedented call to reduce funding to this department. Numerous procedural questions were raised about the mechanics of reducing the budget. Mayor Narkewicz fielded questions about the purpose of specific line items and offered justifications for increases to others.

Several councilors (Quinlan, LaBarge and Thorpe) voiced discomfort at the thought of buying new police cruisers at a time of financial crisis, let alone hybrid vehicles.

Numerous councilors (Councilors Foster, Quinlan and LaBarge, among others) voiced support for the idea of having social workers respond to mental health calls instead of police.

A unifying theme in the council's discussion was the concept that the budget should be a reflection of the city's values.

Councilor Quinlan read a prepared statement stating, among other things, his opposition to the purchase of five new police cars at a time when the city is in financial crisis. He outlined three clear 'first steps:' 1) reallocating the budget to reflect the city's needs and desires, 2) considering hiring social workers and mental health experts as part of the paramedic corps and 3) enlisting citizen panels to study the future of Northampton policing and emergency response along with how to provide social services to continue the downward trend in crime. He cited the steering committee formed in 2005 to develop a comprehensive plan for a sustainable Northampton and the Select Committee on Pesticide Reduction as potential models for such a body.

"Please join me in trying to be the leadership community we consider ourselves to be," Councilor Quinlan implored. He has some ideas for line item reductions, he added.

One of the spending items he questioned was Police Supplies, which showed an increase of $34,000 from FY2019 to FY2020, from $58,537 to $92,537. In response, Mayor Narkewicz noted a tendency in the 90's as budgets got tighter to push everyday supplies out to the capital plan. Since these are really operating expenses, part of the increase is due to moving items from the capital plan back to the General Fund budget, he said.

Councilor Foster said she had received hundreds of emails and her phone has been ringing. It's clear there is a lot of pain and a real call for change and action. Whenever people are together in a room, she stressed the need to always be aware of voices which aren't being heard.

"What we've seen is an outpouring of people I don't think had been in the room for a long time," she observed.

In response to calls to withhold contractually-obligated pay raises, Councilor Foster said she is a union supporter and believes people in public employment should be paid for their service. The

idea of not honoring a contract or not paying people in public service their value means only people of privilege can hold public service jobs, she pointed out.

The city also has multiple priorities. One of the very biggest issues people talked to her about early on was climate change. People are deeply, deeply concerned about it. She recognizes that the budget appropriation to convert from gasoline to hybrid cruisers is not a flight of fancy but is intended to help meet an important goal of the city, specifically improving its climate impact.

She comes from a social services background and has worked with at-risk youth, as a public school teacher and with people who have been incarcerated. The research is very clear that funding for human services reduces the need for policing and the criminal justice system. There are alternative models of policing including the option for social workers and mental health specialists to respond to many calls. That being said, she expressed her deep appreciation for Chief Kasper. “She is listening,” she observed. She has seen her be willing to consider these issues and to work with the community. She believes it is very important to show that respect and appreciation for her work and her values. ”I believe she is someone we can work with on reform.”

The Massachusetts Black and Latino Legislative Caucus has called for municipalities to consider establishing civilian oversight committees to look at policing, and she fully supports that. She recognizes it can’t happen on a dime yet realizes there is an urgency for communities of color who don’t feel safe under the current model. She also doesn’t feel good about making a large cut to a police budget without an alternative plan in place for handling services presently handled by the police. She views this as a process, and she is committed to being a part of the process, she concluded.

Councilor Thorpe invoked the 1965 Watts riots in California, the 1992 LA riots following the beating of Rodney King, Eric Gardner, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery and George Floyd, stressing that what they’re witnessing “is nothing new.” He respects Chief Kasper and the work of the department, he affirmed. As a probation officer, he has good collaboration with a lot of police departments in the area. As a council, he asked that they come together to try to implement some of the ideas they have been seeing in their emails. He cited mandating new approaches to public safety, reforming policies and “doing the real anti-racism work that goes beyond training and requires a leadership team willing to do the work and people willing to educate themselves.” “I cannot do this alone,” he admitted.

To reiterate the words of former City Councilor Alisa Klein, “we need to address institutional racism in concrete ways,” he asserted. He expressed appreciation for everybody who attended last night’s hearing and spoke and everyone present tonight. He looks forward to going over the budget and said his first concern is the increase in vehicle costs.

Councilor Maiore opened by stating that because of the late hour and the eloquence of engaged residents, she didn’t feel the need to say too much. She assured residents who had spoken she hears them. “I think we owe it to our community to take this opportunity and reset our priorities and align our budget with our values and to be incredibly cautious now with how and what we fund in a time when so many are suffering and sacrificing,” she commented.

She has heard the pain that residents expressed and thinks bold action is needed. The issue to her is systemic racism and the systemic nature of policing. She stressed she is looking for alternatives to policing, not just progressive policing. If they have a civilian review board, it has to have some authority or she’s afraid it will fall flat. They’ve seen bold moves such as in LA. She thinks they need to consider police insurance and all kinds of options.

She is not satisfied with the current proposed budget and the direction it’s taking them in, she concluded. “I believe we can do better.”

Councilor Maiore asked about the vacancy in the Administrative Sergeant position ($73,257 - Pg. 51) and whether they should be filling it at this point.

The position is currently vacant, most likely due to promotion, Mayor Narkewicz advised. The council’s role is to cut the overall budget, not individual positions, he reminded. Cutting $193,000 from the budget will require elimination of positions, he confirmed. The city will still have to meet its contractual obligations.

Councilor Sciarra reminded councilors that they do not have the authority to reallocate money within the budget.

Councilor LaBarge focused on the $45,465 budget increase in OOM, asking if there is any way the city could hold off on purchasing hybrid cruisers since she doesn't find it to be an urgent need. They have a senior center with elderly people and need to get a van. She is pretty sure the police department would agree that the vehicles could be set aside in favor of a van for the senior center. She also mentioned the $8,000 budget increase for training.

She agreed social workers should be handling mental health calls instead of police and that some sort of committee should be formed to discuss the future direction of the police department.

Mayor Narkewicz clarified that the reason the senior transportation program isn't operating is the COVID19 pandemic, not the lack of a van. The van service was discontinued very early in the closure because people weren't using it and the drivers are all retirees, who are high risk. The senior center is closed so several of its programs are shut down.

The seniors are the most vulnerable population in the COVID crisis, he stressed. City officials don't know if and when the senior center will open. He personally doesn't see a way they will be able to safely open it by the end of the year. Staff are working on a transportation program using taxis, which are safer than the van service, and also working on some volunteer rides. It's not a matter of needing vehicles for the vans, it's more of an operational issue, he emphasized.

If she believes they should not purchase additional cruisers, she should vote to cut that out of the police budget, he added.

What about the schools? Councilor LaBarge asked. Why couldn't they just take that $45,000 and bring it to the schools?

Mayor Narkewicz explained that the City Council has the authority to reduce the budget but the process is that the mayor presents a budget for approval. It is not an interactive process where the mayor and council move money around together. He talked in his budget message about his commitment to the schools. In the expenditure summary, schools are the single largest expenditure increase, he pointed out.

He noted that he submitted the budget May 18th, so claims that it is a reaction to the death of George Floyd are not accurate.

He is happy to answer questions. He has heard the claim that they are cutting veterans' services, and he assured those present it is not true. The decrease is due to the decrease in veterans' benefits, which is based on the number of veterans served. This number has been declining.

They are increasing the public health budget by 46% in an effort to divert resources to public health. "We're in a public health crisis," he reminded. They are holding schools, arts and libraries harmless, he confirmed.

With regard to public safety, the goal was to maintain level services. "This is not an expansion of our police department. We are not adding any officers," he clarified. If level funding the police department is the message the council wants to send, they would reduce the three budgets by the increased amounts, he reiterated.

At the risk of stating the obvious, they're in the midst of a sea change, and it is an opportunity to seize the moment, Councilor Dwight opened. He's called it the great recalibration. It's not about the $200,000 necessarily. At least in this country, they're talking about a movement to change what it means to police and to be policed. Like all of them, he has been genuinely moved and gratified by the citizens motivated to engage them and their very real distress. In the course of their advocacy, they have been driven by passion and councilors have experienced these passionate conversations before. Some of the comments are designed to hurt, and they do hurt. "If they prick us, we do bleed," he shared. Every member here in this council is devoted to this process of public service and is guided by their conscience, he assured. The enormity of the public response has been unprecedented. He expressed hope that the energy to engage

translates into energy to step up and serve the community. “If you want to be a councilor, please run,” he urged.

Former Mayor Clare Higgins famously described the budget as a ‘moral doctrine,’ a reflection of their priorities. There has been a significant change in those priorities, he suggested. Based on what he’s heard so far, it seems very likely that the police department will be level-funded, and he is actually in favor of that. Councilor Jarret makes a very good point with regard to this vote: if they vote the budget down in toto, it will not work to anyone’s satisfaction.

He heard people saying over and over again that they should redirect the money to fund Tapestry, fund housing, create subsidies and the like. He asked the mayor to elaborate on this. As he understands it, the city cannot take money allocated to departments and allocate it to outside agencies.

Certainly the city can’t appropriate money to private agencies, Mayor Narkewicz confirmed. The city does give money to private agencies through its two major grant programs: the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and Community Preservation Act (CPA). They would have to do some sort of a grant process or contract. They could not put a line item to Tapestry or ServiceNet in the city budget.

They are limited by Mass. General Law and a number of other constraints, Councilor Dwight noted.

Regarding calls for police reform, Councilor Dwight agreed there has to be a conversation not only monitored and instigated by the City Council but initiated by residents. The council’s status as elected officials confers upon them some sort of authority, so he would prefer a conversation initiated by residents where everyone is on equal footing and councilors participate in an agenda set by members of the community. He also thinks it’s important for the council to create its own committee to review, consider and discuss these issues. “I look forward to that conversation.”

Councilor Dwight expressed a strong desire to move on the budget. He encouraged members to cut to the chase but emphasized the importance of being specific in identifying proposed cuts. They can’t get away with just saying level-funded; they have to stipulate amounts, he advised.

The three amounts are the three amounts in the budget narrative on page 51: $140,042 from PS, $8,072 from OM and $45,465 from OOM, Mayor Narkewicz volunteered. The way to level-fund a budget is to not increase it, he explained.

Councilor Dwight consulted the city solicitor, who confirmed those would be the three line items councilors would want to reduce if they wanted to level-fund the police budget.

Councilor Nash related a recent conversation with Chief Kasper in which she acknowledged the difficulty police officers sometimes have in determining the most appropriate response, whether it be law enforcement or referral to a social service. The NPD is well aware of what they’re talking about, he assured. Part of the problem is that there has been a drop in funding for those programs, which means that more of the work is falling on the police. “Part of what’s going on is the mission creep for what we’re asking our police officers to do,” he suggested.

This is a conversation the NPD would be interested in having, he confirmed.

If they’re really serious about making a change, they can’t just talk about level-funding the police, Councilor Maiore insisted. They need to talk about reallocation. She hears that that’s not their jobs to some extent. She would urge the mayor not to just put the money back in the stabilization fund but to think about moving it to schools and social services.

Councilor Maiore asked Attorney Seewald’s opinion on the council’s ability to reallocate funds. In particular, she asked for his interpretation of a Frequently Asked Question from a Division of Local Services publication, which she proceeded to read aloud:

Question: *May the city council add items to the annual budget without a recommendation from the mayor?*

Answer: *A city council may only add an item when there is no recommendation of any kind of that particular spending purpose in the mayor's budget and it follows the procedure found in G.L. c. 44, Section 33. If no recommendation of any kind has been made for an item or purpose the city council considers necessary, the council must vote to request that the mayor make a recommendation for an appropriation for that purpose.*

She would like to see that $130,000 and change (sic) go for a Department of Transformative Justice, Councilor Maiore said.

Attorney Seewald said he was not prepared to answer the question off the cuff.

Councilor Jarrett stated he was prepared to make the amendment previously discussed (to level-fund the police budget).

Mayor Narkewicz said he is not familiar with the information in the municipal finance guide, but Northampton's charter is very clear about how the budget can be amended. Furthermore, the charter is clear about how agencies are created. They're not created by an appropriation of the city council, they're created by an administrative order emanating from the mayor.

He's happy for the solicitor to review the information in the municipal finance guide, he said.

To him, simply deleting the increase from each budget (PS, OM and OOM) is not a solution, Councilor Quinlan stated. He agrees the city has a contractual obligation to honor agreed-upon salary increases. His proposal for cutting the budget is to eliminate three of the five new vehicles. Since the amount budgeted for five is $350,825, he estimated each vehicle to cost $70,165, for total savings of $210,495.

Councilor Jarrett said he expects the council to determine the amount to be cut, but he would be receptive to a proposal by the mayor to shift funding from one budget to another. His intent is to give the police department maximum flexibility within the fiscal constraints the council imposes. He sees allocation of funds as being an executive decision, he indicated.

Councilor Foster agreed. However, she expressed concern that the $200,000 could go back into the General Fund and disappear. If they really see this as an opportunity for change, she would like funding allocated toward a position to work toward this change.

Councilor Thorpe said he appreciated what Councilor Quinlan said about contractual salaries. He has heard from people on both sides of the issue in Ward 4, he related. He heard from a large portion of people regarding defunding, but a good amount of people are very supportive of the police department and want the budget to remain as it is.

He wondered if, as a group, they are ready to move forward tonight, or if they need more time.

Councilor Dwight raised a point of order. They're debating an amendment that hasn't been made.

Councilor Jarrett said he was prepared to make a motion and proceeded to move to amend the police department's budget to remove $140,042 from PS, $8,072 from OM and $45,465 from OOM. Councilor Dwight seconded.

Councilor Foster noted that it is 2 o'clock in the morning. She is looking at the names in the budget of people who serve their city. If there is a need and desire to move ahead tonight, she proposed cutting the budget by the amount of the administrative sergeant vacancy - $73,257. What she would *really* prefer is to have this discussion at another time when they have a chance to be incredibly thoughtful about the exact numbers and line items, she said.

Mayor Narkewicz reminded councilors that they can cut a number in PS but they can't cut a position.

Councilor Quinlan said he also is thinking about the people. While they've been urged to shrink the police force, he's not sure this is how they want to do it.

Councilor Thorpe said it sounded like they might need a little more time.

They're not doing anyone any favors by continuing to deliberate at this point, Councilor Dwight suggested. They may actually have to have a special meeting. He would recommend that they get through this part of the process and continue the rest of the agenda at a special meeting.

There is an order on the agenda pertaining to the next phase of reopening which the governor is expected to announce Saturday, Mayor Narkewicz reminded. They cannot postpone the rest of the agenda, but they could continue this part of the discussion, Councilor Sciarra clarified.

He's been offering all sorts of helpful suggestions, but he supports the budget he put forward, as does Chief Kasper, Mayor Narkewicz stressed. He doesn't believe they should cut the police budget; he believes they should maintain the existing level of service.

Councilor Dwight moved to continue debate on the budget to a meeting to be determined. Councilor Nash seconded.

Councilors debated the motion to continue. Councilors Maiore and LaBarge both expressed interest in proceeding to a vote. He is prepared to vote tonight if others want to move forward, Councilor Thorpe said.

Councilor Dwight pointed out there seems to be clear consensus to cut the budget, but "the devil is in the details." 2:15 in the morning is not the optimal time to work out details and probably would not do the question justice.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to continue to a vote, and it passed 8:1 by roll call vote with Councilor Maiore opposed.

See minutes of June 10, 2020 for continuation of the discussion of 20.053 in first reading.

20.054 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget - 1st reading

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.055 An Order to Approve FY 2021 Water Enterprise Fund Budget - 1st rdg,

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.056 Order to Approve FY 2021 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund Budget - 1st reading

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Councilor Jarrett disclosed that he has a conflict of interest and would recuse himself.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed 8:0 by roll call vote with Councilor Jarrett recused.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.057 Order to Approve FY 2021 Stormwater and Flood Control Enterprise Fund Budget - 1st rdg.

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.058 Order to Approve FY2021 Revolving Funds - 1st reading

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.059 Order Authorizing Acquisition and Establishment of a Municipal Light Plant - 1st reading

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

20.060 Order to Approve Gift Fund Expenditures for Street and Transportation Sharing - 1st reading

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Foster moved to suspend rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 4, 2020

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

20.060 An Order
to Approve Gift Fund Expenditures for Street and Transportation Sharing

Whereas, In three previous orders (April 2001, September 2012, May 2013), City Council authorized the use of the City's Tourism Gift Account for gateway signs and improvements, wayfinding signs, pavement markings, street and multi-use trail furniture and improvements, murals, sculptures, and art installations; and

Whereas, Leveraging funds from a $10,000 Solomon Foundation grant, the City is working with the Downtown Northampton Association and Florence Civic and Business Association and merchants to explore options for sharing streets to accommodate pedestrian flow, outdoor eating, curbside pickups, and attractive streetscapes that safely support the business community and the larger community.

Ordered that, Northampton City Council in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure) authorizes the expenditure of funds donated by the public, through the existing Tourism Gift Account, to be used for all of the past authorized uses and for street and transportation system sharing.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.061 Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 2 Votes - 1st reading

20.061 An Order to Rescind Borrowing Authority - 2 Votes - 1st reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Nash seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of June 18, 2020 for second reading.

Orders
20.062 Order Temporarily Suspending the Effect of Certain Ordinances in Response to

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20.062 An Order Temporarily Suspending the Effect of Certain Ordinances in Response to Efforts to Reopen Restaurants - 1st reading
Councilor Sciarra read the order.

Councilor Dwight moved to put the order on the floor for purposes of discussion. Councilor Nash seconded.

Efforts to Reopen Restaurants - 1st reading

The city wants to be able to swing into action Saturday when the governor makes an announcement as to when phase II of the reopening plan begins, Mayor Narkewicz explained. A planning committee of six different departments has been working with the Downtown Northampton Association (DNA) and Florence Civic and Business Association, and there is a lot of excitement and anticipation, especially from restaurants that have been closed. The city solicitor went through the ordinances to try to figure out which ordinances would be triggered by moving outdoor seating into the public way. Temporary suspension of these ordinances will allow the flexibility to accommodate outdoor dining.

Councilor Dwight reiterated his concern that these are public spaces. They've often had conflicts between business owners and people business owners felt were undesirable. He just wants them to be conscientious. He understands and agrees they should do everything they can to help businesses get back on their feet, but, at the same time, he doesn't want a presumption of primacy on the sidewalks by businesses – i.e. - calling the police if they feel someone is behaving inappropriately proximate to their restaurant in a way that would otherwise be allowed.

He is prepared to vote for this but with these caveats. He thinks they should definitely pay attention to how this is prosecuted.

Councilor Sciarra said she shares those concerns. She acknowledged the continued presence of Office of Planning and Sustainability Director Wayne Feiden, Chief of Staff Alan Wolf and Finance Director Susan Wright on the call.

Councilor Nash thanked Mayor Narkewicz and his staff for working on this and responding to the concerns of downtown businesses. He shares Councilor Dwight's concern that they need to be careful in broadening private use of this public space but is otherwise supportive. It is part of a broader experiment they are doing to try to enliven downtown, he noted.

Councilor Foster acknowledged the work of the Mayor, DNA, DPW and police department and said she is excited to see this move forward. She expressed support and said she appreciated the thoughtfulness Councilors Dwight and Nash have brought around the use of public space.

Councilor Jarrett said he thinks opening the street space for people to dine is a wonderful idea. He doesn't think people should have to spend money in order to sit and eat downtown, though. Also, he asked if seating would be available for restaurants without outdoor seating so people who want to purchase take out can sit and eat outside. He is concerned about the wording, i.e. - "outdoor restaurant table service seating."

The intention is to include some public seating that is not related to a certain restaurant, Mr. Feiden assured.

'Table service seating' is the language contained in the governor's order and that is why it is used, Attorney Seewald explained.

One problem with having unassigned tables for take-out is that assigning seating to a restaurant means the restaurant is responsible for maintaining social distancing, cleaning and disinfecting, Chief of Staff Alan Wolf added. They talked about having unassigned seating and, frankly, the Health Director said no. Unless the city hires someone to clean it every time someone gets up and leaves, they can't do it. It's not part of the current plan.

The health department has updated its regulations to allow people to take off face masks while they are eating, Attorney Seewald advised. The governor's order already specifies that masks aren't required while people are eating, Mayor Narkewicz added.

They are waiting to hear about the ability of patrons to go into the restaurant and use the restroom, Mr. Wolf said.

Councilor Jarrett asked if someone could sit down on the grass and take off their mask and eat. Attorney Seewald said the regulation he discussed with Director O'Leary only applies to mask wearing while seated at table service seating. They haven't discussed suspension of the order requiring a mask for eating elsewhere downtown.

He is concerned about setting up a situation where people can't bring food in and eat unless they purchase food at a restaurant, Councilor Jarrett elaborated.

They can talk to the health director about that, Mayor Narkewicz said.

Councilor Sciarra expressed the opinion that the council needs to suspend its rules since the order is not being referred to Legislative Matters.

Councilor Dwight moved to suspend the rules to waive the requirement that the order be referred to Legislative Matters. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed 8:0 with one absent (Councilor LaBarge).

He does feel comfortable moving forward, but they are putting a lot of trust in the mayor to make sure the downtown is accessible to everyone, Councilor Jarrett observed. He said he would appreciate his assurance that this would seriously be taken into account.

Most definitely, Mayor Narkewicz said. He agreed mask rules should apply to a person eating a pita pocket on the grass in front of the courthouse. They don't want to cordon off sidewalks or make it impossible to move around downtown, he assured.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to approve the order in first reading to a vote, and it passed 8:0 with one absent (Councilor LaBarge).

Councilor Dwight moved to suspend rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Nash seconded. The motion passed 8:0 with one absent (Councilor LaBarge).

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed 8:0 with one absent (Councilor LaBarge).

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 4, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

O-20.062 AN ORDER TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING THE EFFECT OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES IN RESPONSE TO EFFORTS TO REOPEN RESTAURANTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF COVID SAFE SOCIAL DISTANCING

WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence of circumstances demanding public action has arisen worldwide, including in the city of Northampton, due to the Coronavirus/Covid-19 pandemic ("the pandemic"); and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Northampton declared a State of Emergency in the City of Northampton due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Northampton Board of Health declared a State of Emergency in the City of Northampton due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Governor Baker issued an Order prohibiting on-premises consumption of food or drink; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2020, the Governor issued his four-phase plan for Reopening Massachusetts, which includes outdoor restaurant table service in Phase II; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the reopening of restaurants with outdoor-only table service, restaurants in certain zones of the city, as depicted on the plan entitled "Covid-19 Restaurant Response Zones," may need to include contiguous and non-contiguous outdoor areas, including some within public ways and some on other property of the city; and

WHEREAS, Phase II of Reopening Massachusetts is tentatively scheduled to commence on June 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the city council finds that encouraging, promoting and facilitating the reopening of restaurants in the Covid-19 Restaurant Response Zones by temporarily allowing certain activities to take place within public ways and on other public property that would not otherwise be allowed absent the state of emergency, in order to allow orderly opening of restaurants consistent with the requirements of the Governor's Phase II Order, is in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Northampton City Council orders as follows:

1. Notwithstanding any Order of the city council to the contrary, within the areas depicted on the plan entitled "Covid-19 Restaurant Response Zones" ("the zones"), the City Council hereby authorizes the change of use of any property within the public way or on other city property ("city property") to outdoor restaurant table service seating ("the outdoor table service areas").

2. The Mayor shall, in his discretion, designate the locations of outdoor table service areas, may enter into such licenses, easements, agreements and other instruments as he deems necessary, may designate rules and regulations for the use of the outdoor table service areas, and may take such other action as he deems necessary to effectuate this Order.

3. With regard to the outdoor table service areas and ancillary areas within the adjacent zones, § 120-1; § 285-5; § 285-8; § 285-11; § 285-29 and c. 303, are hereby suspended to the extent necessary, in the Mayor's discretion, in order to effectuate the intent of this Order:

4. Notwithstanding the Schedules set forth in Article XII, parking spaces in the zones may be re-designated as outdoor table service areas, in the Mayor's discretion, and the Mayor may designate other areas within the public way as parking in lieu of spaces re-designated as outdoor table service areas.

5. Notwithstanding the foregoing enumeration of ordinances, the intent of this Order is to suspend temporarily, to the extent necessary, those ordinances that would inhibit, interfere with, or prohibit the conversion of city property within the zones to outdoor table service areas.

6. This Order shall lapse on November 15, 2020 or upon the lifting of the Governor's declared state of emergency, whichever occurs sooner, without further action by the city council. Thereupon, all ordinances suspended in whole or in part hereunder shall revert to their full force and effect immediately preceding this Order.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

New Business 20.064 Resolution in Response to Most Recent Killings of African-Americans	New Business 20.064 A Resolution in Response to the Most Recent Killings of African-Americans Councilor Sciarra noted that since the resolution is being taken up under New Business, it can be introduced but not deliberated. Councilor Thorpe read the resolution. It will be discussed further on the next regular agenda, Councilor Sciarra confirmed.
Information (Charter Provision 2-7) & Study Requests	Information (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests None
Motion to Adjourn	Upon motion made by Councilor Dwight and seconded by Councilor Foster, the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 a.m. The motion carried 8:0 by roll call vote with one absent (Councilor LaBarge). Attest:_____ Administrative Assistant to the City Council

NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT RECORD SHEET

June 4, 2020

General public comment preceding the convening of the regular meeting

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Mimi Odgers	Ward 6	supports defunding police department
Ryan Cheevers Brown		supports order for municipal light plant/concerned about parking behind Leeds School for Mill River
Dane Cutler	Ward 3	supports defunding police department
Diane Palladino	Sylvester Rd, Florence	opposed to $200,000 police budget increase
Wendy Foxmyn,	Ward 7, Leeds	opposes defunding police
Amy Cahillane	DNA Exec. Director	supports order temporarily suspending.ordinances to allow outdoor dining
Hildegarde Freedman	G68, Cahill Apartments	protest is more than reaction against police violence; is frustration with system that favors prosperous over poor
Rose Bookbinder Goldstein		supports defunding police; LA City Council cut LAPD by $150 million
Alisa Klein	Ward 7	supports decreasing police budget and exploring alternatives to policing
Ian Busher	South Deerfield	opposes outside dining
Mac Godinez	Ward 3A	read letter from Joshua Cruz from Hampden County Jail complaining about handling of COVID-positive inmates
Patrick Burke	Holyoke	wants to invest money in healthcare & protecting restaurant workers instead of police
Johnny Williams	Ward 1	Police actively contribute to gun violence; supports defunding police and exploring alternatives to policing
Cherilyn Strader	Northampton	Agrees with Alisa Klein that resolution not strong enough; recommended council endorse 10-point action plan
Carolyn Toll Oppenheim	Ward 3B	Offered suggestions for increasing diversity of police force
Nicole LaRue	Easthampton	Funding police reinforces racist system that devalues, exploits and kills black people
Eric Matlock	Northampton	Charged police harassed, pepper-sprayed him without cause opposes increasing police budget
Dana Goldblatt	Northampton	Compared denying reality that policing doesn't work to Galenic humors theory
Ahalya Raman	Ward 3	Supports defunding police
Jasper Kessin	Florence	Supports defunding police, directing money to social services
Tighe Ridley	Wilson Avenue	In favor of new form of public safety
Pennington Geis	Northampton	Thanked NPD for sensitivity training and increasing diversity

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CONDUCTED AS AN ON-LINE ZOOM MEETING
Northampton, MA

Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President Gina-Louise Sciarra. At 8:03 p.m. on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

At-Large Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra
Ward 1 Councilor Michael J. Quinlan, Jr.
Ward 2 Councilor Karen Foster
Ward 3 Councilor James B. Nash
Ward 4 Councilor John Thorpe
At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight
Ward 5 Councilor Alex Jarrett
Ward 6 Councilor Marianne LaBarge
Ward 7 Councilor Rachel Maiore

Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

Councilor Sciarra announced that the meeting was being held via remote participation and audio and video recorded.

Public Hearings Announcement of Public Hearing - 20.063 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Hebert Avenue (Petition #28701070)

Public Hearings
Announcement of Public Hearing - 20.063 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Hebert Avenue (Petition #28701070)
Councilor Sciarra read the following announcement:
In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 166, Section 22, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2020 @ 7:05 p.m. on the petition of National Grid/Verizon New England to erect poles and wires upon, along, under or across one or more public ways (Pole Petition #28701070). The hearing will be held via remote participation. Please see the agenda for the August 20, 2020 City Council meeting for instructions for accessing the hearing.

(Note: The public hearing was subsequently rescheduled to Thursday, July 30, 2020. Abutters were notified by mail of the revised hearing date.)

Updates from Council President/ Committee Chairs

Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs
Councilor LaBarge announced that there will be a City Services Committee meeting on Monday, July 20th at 4 p.m. via remote participation.

Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

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Councilor Jarrett announced he will be holding a Ward 5 gathering on Zoom this Sunday, July 12th from 4 to 5 p.m. It will be an opportunity for questions and answers and to hear concerns and ideas. Before COVID he had planned a monthly meeting. He is asking people to register in advance to receive the zoom link, which they can do on his website or Facebook page or by emailing him or calling him.

Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor
None

Resolutions Withdrawal of 20.076 Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Legislative Approaches to Public Safety

Resolutions
Withdrawal of 20.076 A Resolution Establishing a Select Committee on Legislative Approaches to Public Safety
Sponsors (he and Councilor Maiore) decided to withdraw this for several reasons, Councilor Jarrett explained. They introduced this before they knew the scope of the Northampton Policing Review Commission (NPRC). Now that they know the scope and have had the opportunity to provide comment, they are not ready to ask for a select committee at this time. They will be asking one or more standing committees to explore the legislative options available. Once they know the make-up of the commission, they may be asking a select committee to fill in the gaps to

specifically work on the legislative possibilities. It isn't exactly clear to him what their legislative options are. The pesticide reduction ordinance made it clear there is some ability on the part of the city council to set policy for the executive branch. Becoming more informed and seeking independent legal opinions will help them carry out any recommendations from the commission or other action decided upon by the council.

This was a tough decision, and she hears and shares the concerns of residents, Councilor Maiore shared. Since formation of the joint commission is seemingly moving forward, this seemed like the best way to stagger their efforts. They still see a select committee as something they can pursue in the future. They did want to clarify some of the language and the mission so if they decide to move forward they will submit another resolution. She still thinks it's critical that the city council explore the range of its legislative options and its role regarding transforming the public safety system in Northampton. Because of that, she will be pursuing an independent council role, forging a path forward specifically for the council, and she particularly looks forward to talking to residents more as the NPRC starts taking shape. She thinks they can come back and revisit what would be a good supplement to the commission.

20.096 Resolution Regarding the Northampton Policing Review Commission - 1st reading

20.096 A Resolution Regarding the Northampton Policing Review Commission (NPRC) - 1st reading

Councilor Sciarra read the resolution aloud.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the resolution in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

Councilor Sciarra said she didn't have much to add. The resolution outlines the process they have gone through and the discussion they have had. The commission document has been updated to reflect comments heard. Instead of the standard board application, they are asking people interested in serving to send a letter of interest to either the city council or mayor by mail or email. If someone cannot relay their interest in that way, it can be relayed verbally. Regarding access for those who need it, she has spoken to NOM and they have said they can provide support in terms of network and computer access to at least two members of the commission at their site at 33 Hawley Street along with staff support. Since the NPRC was first introduced June 18th, they have also adjusted the timelines a bit so she would respectfully request two readings tonight. They are asking that letters of interest be received by Friday, August 14th and expect to make appointments by September 3rd. The first meeting is supposed to be convened by September 24th. The deadline for a preliminary report is still December 17th and the final report is due on or before March 18, 2021. They have also added language that the commission may request an extension. However, it is extremely important to her that the city council have information to them before councilors need to make decisions on the FY2022 budget.

Councilors asked questions and offered comments. The majority of discussion centered on the selection/appointment process for the council's representatives to the joint commission.

Councilor Jarrett expressed concern about a lack of clarity around this process. The original proposal was that she and the two councilors appointed to the commission would review letters of interest and select the seven council representatives, Councilor Sciarra explained. However, she has been told by the Attorney General's (AG's) office that this may not be possible since the two councilors may be considered a subcommittee and therefore be subject to the Open Meeting Law. She is waiting for a determination on this point from the AG's office, she said.

Councilor Maiore asked how they would go about ascertaining applicants' eligibility for the seats reserved for black, indigenous, people of color and people most impacted by U.S. policing practices since they might not know that from a letter.

Councilor Sciarra said she is hoping applicants will divulge that information. They are asking for a narrative from people describing their interest and why this matters to them.

Councilor Maiore asked how the chair of the commission and councilor-members would be chosen.

The chair will be chosen by the body itself and cannot be one of the councilors per the document. They left open whether to have one or two chairs.

She agrees with residents that a lot of the subjects listed have been researched already so she hopes the literature review will go very quickly and allow the commission to get on to concrete actions and tailoring the relevant information to their city, Councilor Maiore continued. She thinks there will be a time to work with police once the plan is completed, but she agrees with some speakers that she doesn't think the commission is the place for these officers. She thinks the commission really needs to work out an agenda outside of that paradigm.

Councilor Sciarra noted that meetings will be open to the public and the commission is charged with holding no fewer than three public hearings. She is sure commissioners will gladly receive information and any research that has already been conducted.

Councilor Maiore asked if there is a policy about police serving on the commission.

Both Mayor Narkewicz and Councilor Sciarra said it was not their intention to appoint anyone from the police department. Generally, when the city conducts a review of a city agency it is not done by the agency itself but by an external group, Mayor Narkewicz noted.

Councilor Jarrett referred to the document's statement that the city council shall appoint nine members "by a review process to be determined by each appointing authority." He asked how the city council will determine that process. Will that be at the August 20th meeting? He asked.

Councilor Sciarra clarified that the statement refers to the process for appointing the seven NPRC members other than the two city councilors. It is unclear whether the councilors appointed to serve on the NPRC may participate in appointing the other representatives since they may be considered a subcommittee and therefor subject to the Open Meeting Law. Despite her commitment to openness and transparency, given that applicants are being asked to submit narrative letters describing their personal interest in serving on a commission to review community policing practices, it doesn't feel appropriate to divulge those letters in a public setting, Councilor Sciarra elaborated.

Councilor Jarrett expressed his understanding that the full council would vote to approve the appointments, but Councilor Sciarra explained that this process is not possible because it would involve publicly reviewing the applications/letters of interest.

Councilor Nash presented the idea of having the council vote to endorse the slate of candidates without going through the material submitted. "In my mind it would be appropriate for the council to endorse the slate," he volunteered.

Whatever process they can do, the appointees will definitely be presented August 20th, Councilor Sciarra said. (Note: Councilor Sciarra misspoke. As she previously stated, the timeline was amended to call for announcement of the appointments on September 3, 2020.)

Councilor Jarrett referred to the Select Committee on Pesticide Reduction (SCPR), which is a reasonable comparison, Councilor Dwight suggested. In the case of SCPR, the council president made the appointments and the appointees were not subject to review by the council partly for the same reasons discussed tonight. Similar to NPRC, the timeline was way too narrow and there was intense pressure for SCPR members to generate a voluminous, detailed report in a short period of time. Under council rules, the council president would ultimately be the person making the appointments. What Councilor Sciarra is offering is participatory selection but keeping in mind the necessity of expediting the process.

When he was council president and Ryan O'Donnell was vice president, they created a commission to study the downtown environment. It was called a council appointment, but in point of fact, it was the council president and vice president who did the selection. In both cases, the commissions generated amazing work and had amazing participants.

Councilor Dwight cautioned fellow councilors against getting bogged down in procedural details. He imagines if there is an appointee who falls egregiously short the council will not be bashful in challenging that appointment. "We're going to have to invest an aspect of trust," he asserted.

If they expand the vetting process, they are never going to come close to the timelines which are already so abbreviated, he added.

Members continued to discuss, with Councilor LaBarge stressing the importance of including people with disabilities and Councilor Maiore suggesting each councilor be allowed to choose one commission member, since there are a total of nine council representatives.

Councilor Sciarra said she welcomes people with disabilities to apply. Regarding the idea of each councilor making an appointment, she pointed out that there are really only seven citizen members since two of the commissioners will be councilors themselves.

Regarding objections to formation of the commission heard in public comment, Councilor Foster stated that, while the process has potential, she recognizes that the commission will have work to do with the community to help people build trust. Regarding questions around accountability, as a joint mayoral/city council commission, she really sees that accountability as resting with them.

With respect to letters of interest, she and the Mayor briefly discussed creating a web page on the commission with information about the application process, etc., Councilor Sciarra related. If people feel comfortable relating their story to a councilor rather than drafting a letter, they are welcome to give the information to a councilor for referral to her.

Recommendations from individual councilors were accepted as part of the process of appointment of the Charter Review Committee and the committee formed to recommend formulas for funding stormwater management services, Councilor Dwight pointed out. It is not unprecedented. However, under council rules, the council president is the sole person designated to make committee appointments of the council, not the council in toto, he reiterated. However, having recommendations from individual councilors is worth considering, he proposed.
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She thought of every iteration, Councilor Sciarra confirmed. To be honest, she doesn't want to feel she has to fit appointees into ward slots if there are otherwise qualified applicants who are either persons of color or have other relevant experience.

As far as the NPRC, "I think we're going in the right direction," Councilor LaBarge said.

She asked for clarification of other information. She has been getting phone calls asking why councilors went from a 15% cut down to 10% and why the decision was made prior to having a plan in place. She also asked Councilor Sciarra to clarify the number of police officers presently in the academy who will not be coming to Northampton due to the budget cut and how many police officers are leaving the department. She is hearing different figures on that, she said.

Councilor Sciarra emphasized that what is presently on the floor is the resolution in support of the joint commission, not the budget or past votes.

Residents are asking why the council is forming a commission when it has already eliminated police officers, Councilor LaBarge persisted. Why are we doing this commission? She asked.

Councilor Dwight recommended Councilor LaBarge address information requests directly to the mayor. It is out of order in that it is not an agenda item, he advised. He cautioned everyone to make sure issues they are discussing are pertinent and relevant to the item under discussion.

While the NPRC document says the review process will be determined by each appointing authority, what he is hearing is essentially that the council president will decide that review process, Councilor Jarrett observed. Is that correct? He asked.

Councilor Sciarra said she doesn't know, the AG's office will tell her.

Councilor Jarrett asked how the two councilors would be chosen to serve on the commission.

She will choose them, Councilor Sciarra confirmed.

He is glad the council is voting on this now, Councilor Jarrett volunteered. In the future, he thinks it needs to be clear from the beginning that the council will vote to establish something like this. The rules say the council president appoints standing and select committees but there's nothing in the rules about joint commissions, so he thinks it is fair to talk about it.

To be clear, according to the charter, “The president shall appoint all members of committees of the city council, whether special or standing,” Councilor Dwight quoted. “The president shall have the same powers to vote upon measures coming before the city council as any other member of the city council. The president shall perform any other duties consistent with the office that are established by charter, ordinance or other vote of the city council.”

That said, he thinks the council president is working very hard to be as inclusive as possible and to solicit input from as many avenues as possible, Councilor Dwight reflected.

Formation of the committee has been fast, but it was in response to public outcry and prolonged debate relative to the issue of policing in Northampton, he continued. “We are in extraordinary times moving in an extraordinary timeline with an extraordinary amount of responsibility and pressure,” he acknowledged. There’s no ambiguity about who is the appointing authority.

That is the sort of clarification he felt he needed to understand the process, Councilor Jarrett responded.

Councilor Sciarra commented that while she accepts and honors the responsibility, she doesn’t relish it since she is a collaborative person and likes to work collaboratively. She would rather work with other people and have a collaboration but she may not legally be allowed to do so.

Like all councilors, Councilor Quinlan said he has received comments and emails challenging the idea of the commission and anticipating what the findings of the commission may be. They do have a lot of information but they don’t know how that information applies to the city specifically. Accountability is going to be really important in this, he agreed. Six and then seven councilors were very comfortable with the budget cut to the police department, which shows that looking at how the city provides social/emergency services is something the council already takes seriously. He is hoping the commission will gain the trust of the community. He does support the commission as he said June 4th when they talked about it for the first time.

Councilor Jarrett said he very much appreciates the work the mayor and council president have done to incorporate their suggestions and is going to support the resolution. He doesn’t think they are going to get much done with a strong mayor form of government without a joint commission. That being said, historically, commissions of this sort do not have a very good track record.

He raised the possibility of offering stipends for service to allow more people to participate. He understands the issue of compensation for volunteer work is a larger conversation. In his work with the housing partnership, members explored the idea of a civic participation grant involving partnering with a local nonprofit to give grants to qualified participants. He is interested in exploring this. If anyone is interested in working with him, please contact him.

Councilor Maiore said she is glad they are voting on this and respects the work of the mayor and council president in forming the commission. However, after spending two meetings thoughtfully amending the commission document, it doesn’t sit right with her to vote on it seemingly ‘after the fact.’ She said she would respectfully abstain from the vote.

She appreciates Councilor Quinlan’s comments about accountability. At this point, she is quite hopeful about what the commission can accomplish and is committed to helping it succeed whether in a formal or informal role.

Councilors LaBarge and Nash both expressed enthusiastic support.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to approve the resolution in first reading to a vote, and it passed 8:0 by roll call vote with one abstention (Councilor Maiore).

Councilor Dwight moved to suspend the rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Foster seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the resolution in second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed 8:0 by roll call vote with one abstention (Councilor Maiore).

The following resolution passed two readings:

In the City Council, July 9, 2020

Upon the Recommendation of: City Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra and Mayor David J. Narkewicz

R-20.096 A Resolution Regarding the Northampton Policing Review Commission

Whereas, on June 8, 2020 in the letter with the revised order for FY2021 General Fund budget, Mayor Narkewicz "...committed to working with the City Council to address the larger systemic issues of institutional racism and bias laid bare once again by the tragic killing of George Floyd by Minneapolis police officers on May 25, 2020;" and

Whereas, at the June 10 special meeting of the City Council to continue deliberation on the FY2021 General Fund budget, the City Council asked Council President Sciarra and Mayor Narkewicz to bring to the next meeting and before the second vote on the FY2021 General Fund a plan for both branches to work together to bring about meaningful change to policing and public safety; and

Whereas, on June 18 Mayor Narkewicz and Council President Sciarra presented the Northampton Policing Review Commission, a joint commission of both branches of government, "to study these complex issues and recommend reforms to the current organizational and oversight structures, municipal funding allocations, and policies and ordinances that together can transform how the city delivers policing services while ensuring community safety equitably and justly for all;" and

Whereas, the discussion on the commission was continued to a special meeting of the City Council on June 23, where additional feedback from the Council and the public was heard and discussed, and then incorporated into the commission document.

Therefore be it resolved that the City Council and Mayor shall create the Northampton Policing Review Commission with the process, composition and timeline delineated in the commission document.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

Councilor Sciarra reviewed the items on the consent agenda.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilor LaBarge seconded.

The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following items were approved as part of the consent agenda:

A. Minutes of June 3, 2020 Budget Hearing and June 25, 2020 Special Meeting

B. 20.084 Applications for Junk Dealer Licenses - Richard and Sharon Huntley and Norman E. Menard

Renewal Licenses for the following:

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

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

C. 20.085 Petitions for Annual Second Hand Dealer Licenses

Renewal Licenses for the following:

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

Cancer Connection Thrift Shop, 375 South Street
Petitioner: Christine Quinn

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

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

Sassy Pants Vintage & Used Clothing, 2 Conz Street, Unit 2

Petitioner: Kathleen Monolongoski

Urban Exchange, 233 Main Street
Petitioner: Silvia Naumburger

D. 20.086 Application for Business Owner's Permit - Jeffrey D. Miller, Cosmic Cab Company

E. 20.097 Appointments to Various Committees - for referral to City Services Committee

Board of Registrars
Daniel Polachek, 335 South St., Northampton, MA
Term: April 2020-March 2023
Reappointment

Downtown Business Architecture Committee
Aelan Tierney, 30 Francis St., Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Human Rights Commission
Booker Bush, MD, 119 Pine St., Florence, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

License Commission
Helen Kahn, 188 Federal St., Florence, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2026
Reappointment

Parks & Recreation Commission
James Ryan, 56 Leonard St., Leeds, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting

At 9:07 p.m., the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance. The Committee on Finance adjourned at 10:23 p.m. The City Council reconvened at 10:23 p.m.

Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)

Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)
20.083 An Order to Approve Issuance of Refunding Bonds - 1st reading
Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to suspend rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

20.083 Order to Approve Issuance of Refunding Bonds - 1st reading

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.083 An Order to Approve Issuance of Refunding Bonds

Ordered, that

in order to reduce interest costs, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to provide for the sale and issuance of refunding bonds pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 21A of the General Laws, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, at one time or from time to time, to refund all or any portion of the City's general obligation bonds outstanding as of the date of adoption of this order, and that the proceeds of the refunding bonds issued pursuant to this order shall be used to pay the principal, redemption premium and interest on the bonds of the City to be refunded and costs of issuance of the refunding bonds; and that any premium received by the City upon the sale of any refunding bonds approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.087 Order to Approve Spending to Complete the Northview Subdivision - 1st reading

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Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Maiore seconded.

Councilor Dwight disclosed for the record that he has an interest as an abutter since he is on the board of the Conway School of Landscape Design, which owns adjacent property. He does not have a financial interest and would like to retain his right to vote.

The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to suspend the rules to allow a second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, July 9, 2020

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor, Planning & Sustainability, and Planning Board

20.087 An Order to Approve Spending to Complete the Northview Subdivision

Whereas, The Planning Board has ordered the calling of the financial performance guarantee (Lenders Agreement) on the Northview Subdivision at Village Hill because of the failure of the developer/owner to complete the subdivision in accordance with the subdivision plans; and

Whereas, The Planning Board also holds the covenants on two lots as an additional performance guarantee; and

Whereas, Northview Subdivision needs additional grading, site stabilization, drainage, sidewalk, asphalt, and related work to complete the project; and

Whereas, The City will only fund improvements to the extent those improvements are funded from the financial performance guarantees and the release of covenants.

Ordered that, Northampton City Council in accordance with the subdivision control law (Massachusetts General Law Chapter 41U, Section 81U) and the Northampton subdivision regulations, authorizes the expenditure of performance guarantee funds to meet the costs and expenses of the city in completing the work as specified in the approved plan and to refund remaining funds, if any.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.088 Order to Authorize Payment of Prior Year Bills - 1st reading

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Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to suspend the rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.088 An Order to Authorize Payment of Prior Year Bills

Ordered, that

That the Council authorize payment of the following prior year bills totaling $872.18:

Central Services	Hodge City Plumbing (FY19)	$220.86
Central Services	Hodge City Plumbing (FY18)	$206.00
Central Services	Hodge City Plumbing (FY18)	$411.86
Central Services	WB Mason (FY19)	$23.65
Central Services	WB Mason (FY16)	$ 9.81

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.089 Order to Authorize FY2021 Intermunicipal Agreements - 1st reading

20.089 An Order to Authorize FY2021 Intermunicipal Agreements - 1st reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor LaBarge moved to suspend rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Quinlan moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.089 An Order to Authorize FY2021 Intermunicipal Agreements

Ordered, that

Whereas MGL C.40 s. 4A allows for joint operation of public activities among governmental units, and

Whereas, MGL c. 40, s. 4A requires that such inter-governmental agreements be approved, in a city, by the City Council and the Mayor, and;

Whereas the City of Northampton provides services to and shares services with other municipalities;

Therefore pursuant to MGL C. 40 s. 4A the City Council hereby authorizes the City of Northampton to enter into the following inter-municipal agreements for FY2020 (all agreements for one year unless specifically noted):

Contract with Town of **Williamsburg for Building Inspection and Zoning Enforcement Services** – agreement to provide the Town of Williamsburg with services for a lump sum annual fee.

Contract with Town of **Williamsburg for Electrical Inspection Services** – agreement to provide the Town of Williamsburg with services, with permit fees turned over to the City of Northampton.

Contract with the Towns of Amherst, Hadley and Easthampton for **Municipal Hearing Officer** Services – agreement to provide Municipal Hearing Officer Services pursuant to MGL C.148A s.2c to hear complaints related to alleged violations of state building codes or the state fire codes for a lump sum per the agreement.

Contract with the Towns of Amherst, Chester, Chesterfield, Cummington, Hadley, Middlefield, Pelham, Williamsburg, Goshen and Worthington to provide **Veterans Services Officer Services** –

agreement to provide these services to the various communities and assessments to individual towns per the agreement.

Contract with the Towns of Granby, Hadley, Amherst, South Hadley and Easthampton, to provide **Sealer of Weights and Measures Services** – agreement to provide these services to the various communities and assessments to individual towns per the agreement.

Contract with the Franklin County Regional Council of Governments to monitor and support the **Greater Franklin County Economic Target Area.**

Contract with the Franklin Regional Council of Governments to partner with the City of Northampton, through its Health Department, relative to the following contracts: 1) to provide services relative to the **Hampshire Medical Reserves Corps** and 2) to provide emergency management services for the **Hampshire Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition**.

Contract with Amherst, South Hadley, Pelham, Ware, Belchertown and Easthampton – agreement to jointly create a coalition called the **Hampshire Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative** charged with mobilizing local boards of health, medical providers, educational facilities, social service agencies, community organizers and others in Hampshire County to create sustainable policies, programs and practices to change community ideas and expectations regarding opioid us and abuse, as well as to reduce the morbidity and mortality rates that result from opioid use and abuse.

Pioneer Valley Opioid Data Collaborative - Contract with Bay State Health Inc., City of Springfield Department of Health and Human Services, Hampden County DA, Northwestern DA, Hampden County Sheriff's Department, Opioid Task Force, Berkshire opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative, North Quabbin Community Coalition, Partners for a Healthier Community Inc – agreement to work cooperatively to create methods to collect, store and aggregate **data regarding opioid use** and abuse in the region with the goal of analyzing trends and identifying short and long term intervention strategies.

Contract with **Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District**, working under the oversight of the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture, focused on mosquito surveillance and control. The City, through its Health Department participates in this regional effort to assist western Massachusetts communities with mosquito related health concerns.

Contract with the Towns of Amherst and Pelham to seek and accept grants where possible and to otherwise explore the mutual advantages of **electricity community aggregation**.

DART Case Management Database – A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between police departments, healthcare, behavioral health, and recovery centers allows the first responders who respond to an overdose to communicate to the outreach teams in the municipality in which

the person resides, thereby triggering a DART outreach. Partners: Hampshire County Police Departments - Amherst, Belchertown, Chesterfield, Easthampton, Goshen, Granby, Hadley, Hatfied, Northampton, Plainfield, South Hadley, Southampton, Ware, Williamburg, Amherst College, MA State Police; Hampden County Police Departments - Chicopee, East Longmeadow, Ludlow, Palmer, Longmeadow, West Springfield, Westfield, Wilbraham; Behavioral health Network, CSO, Gandara, Northampton Recovery Center, Western MA Training Consortium/Ware Recovery Center, The Nest Recovery Center; Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Baystate Health Systems, Holyoke Medical Center, Mercy/Trinity Health Systems; Hampshire County Jail and House of Corrections.

Health Information Exchange – For the enhancement of the regional capacity for timely and comprehensive data collection to improve data efficiencies, cost savings, and improved service delivery by expanding our regional public health data capabilities. Partners: Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, Franklin Regional Council of Governments, Opioid Task Force, Pioneer Valley Planning Commission. Hampshire County Police Departments - Amherst, Belchertown, Chesterfield, Easthampton, Goshen, Granby, Hadley, Hatfied, Northampton, Plainfield, South Hadley, Southampton, Ware, Williamburg, Amherst College, MA State Police. Hampden County Police Departments - Chicopee, East Longmeadow, Ludlow, Palmer, Longmeadow, West Springfield, Westfield, Wilbraham; Behavioral health Network, CSO, Gandara, Northampton Recovery Center, Western MA Training Consortium/Ware Recovery Center, The Nest Recovery Center; Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Baystate Health Systems, Holyoke Medical Center, Mercy/Trinity Health Systems; Hampshire County Jail and House of Corrections; Northwest District Attorney, Massachusetts Ambulance TRIP data MATRIS, Department of Public Health, Mass Registry of Vital Records Death Certificate data, PDMP/Mass PAT, MAVEN & other Mass CHIP data and other relevant behavioral health and substance use related data.

Pioneer Valley Planning Commission: Agreement to provide to the Planning and Sustainability Department the following: Planning technical assistance, traffic and transportation analysis, historic preservation planning, and housing rehabilitation services – through FY2023.

<u>The following are agreements currently authorized by the city and have not expired:</u>

Contract with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission for **EPA Stormwater MS4 Permit Assistance** – through March of 2022

Paramedic Intercept Agreements with multiple towns and ambulance districts – through November of 2041

Contract with Pioneer Valley Transit Authority for **Senior Transportation Services** – through November of 2041

Contract with **Greenfield Community College to use one strand of our Five College Fiber Network** for an annual fee, per the agreement – through FY2022.

Contract with the Towns of Williamsburg, Goshen, Southampton, Chesterfield, Huntington, Hadley and Westhampton - agreement to provide **Laserfiche Hosting Services** for an annual fee thru FY2022.

Contract with **Pioneer Valley Bike Share** and to enter into agreements with the cities of West Springfield and Chicopee and the Town of Hadley to participate in the Pioneer Valley Bike Share program along with the following entities which are already part of the existing inter-municipal agreement for the program: Holyoke, Springfield, Amherst, South Hadley, UMASS, PVPC and Easthampton already approved through FY2021.

Contract to participate in the **Connecticut River Task Force** with the police departments of Easthampton, Hadley, South Hadley, Chicopee and the Northwestern District Attorney in partnership with the Massachusetts Environmental Police to enhance law enforcement efforts on the Connecticut River due to the heavy volume of boating activity within the regional boundaries of the adjacent agencies – three year agreement to May of 2022

Agreement **for Fiber Optic Cable with Five College Net, LLC** – Agreement to allow the city use of four strands of the Cable Network, including the right to transport and distribute digital signals for data – renewal of agreement for five years from 2019 – 2024 and allowing for automatic renewal for another five years from 2024-2028.

Agreement to participate in **the Domestic Violence Intervention Project**, a regional partnership formed between the Northwestern District Attorney's office, Safe Passage, The New England Learning Center for Women in Transition and area police departments – four year agreement to December of 2022.

Agreement to participate in the **Northwestern District Anti-Crime Task Force** with all communities and their respective law enforcement entities within the jurisdiction of the Northwestern District, which are within the jurisdiction of the Northwestern District courts and that of the Northwestern District Attorney's Office – multi-year agreement with no end date.

Contract with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, and multiple towns for the **Mass in Motion Program**, renew for three more years - through FY2022.

Public Health Nursing Program - Contract to partner with the following communities to provide assistance with infectious disease surveillance reporting thru the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN) for the COVID-19 crisis: Middlefield, Chesterfield, Huntington, Plainfield, Worthington, Easthampton, East Longmeadow, and the Foothills Health District, which serves the towns of Whately, Westhampton, Williamsburg and Goshen for FY2020 and FY2021.

Young Adult Empowerment collaborative of Western Massachusetts - Contract to partner with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, the Opioid Task Force of Franklin County and the North

Quabbin Region – agreement to work cooperatively to develop and strengthen regional data systems serving your adults, preventing and addressing young adult misuse by creating and promoting evidence-based programming to support young people as they transition into the five stages of adulthood; and engaging families and communities in their roles to support young adults for FY2020 and FY2021.

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

20.090 Order to Appropriate $90,000 from Stabilization for Health and Safety Improvements to Treasurer-Collector Office - 1st reading

20.090 An Order to Appropriate $90,000 from Stabilization for Health and Safety Improvements to Treasurer-Collector Office - 1st reading
20.090 was withdrawn per the request of the sponsor, Mayor Narkewicz. (See email attached to master version of the minutes.)

20.091 Order to Accept Gift of Labor and Materials to Repair Grave of George Hodestia - 1st reading
20.092 Order to Accept Gift of Plaque for Grave

20.091 An Order to Accept Gift of Labor and Materials to Repair Grave of George Hodestia - 1st reading
20.092 An Order to Accept Gift of Plaque for Grave of Basil Dorsey - 1st reading
20.093 An Order to Accept $3,000 Gift from Ruggles Center for Park Street Cemetery Gravestone Repairs - 1st reading
20.094 An Order to Accept Gift up to $100,000 to Replace Fencing at Bridge Street Cemetery - 1st reading
Councilor Dwight moved to take orders 20.091, 20.092, 20.093 and 20.094 as a group. Councilor Jarrett seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

of Basil Dorsey - 1st reading
20.093 Order to Accept $3,000 Gift from Ruggles Center for Park Street Cemetery Gravestone Repairs - 1st reading
20.094 Order to Accept Gift up to $100,000 to Replace Fencing at Bridge Street Cemetery - 1st reading
20.095 Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers - 1st reading

Councilor Dwight moved to approve orders 20.091, 20.092, 20.093 and 20.094 as a group in first reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

See minutes of August 20, 2020 for second reading.

20.095 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers - 1st reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in first reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to suspend the rules to allow a second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Maiore seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.095 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers

Ordered, that the following FY2020 budgetary transfers be made:

Department		Description	Org	Object	Transfer From:	Transfer To:
Legal Services	OM	Legal Services	11512	530002		$ 45,527
General Liability Insurance	OM	Public Employee Liability Insurance	19452	574004	$ (45,527)	
Parking Maintenance	OOM	Equipment	14813	585016		$ 10,938
Parking Maintenance	OM	Repairs & Maintenance	14812	524000	$ (10,938)	
Planning	PS	Overtime	11751	513000		$ 6,062
IT	OM	Technology Communication Lines	11552	534200		$ 10,021
IT	PS	Permanent Salaries	11551	511000	$ (16,083)	
Other Employee Benefits	PS	Medicare	19191	517001		$ 21,300
Other Employee Benefits	PS	Sick Leave Buyback	19191	519600		$ 28,502
Medical Insurance	PS	Employee Insurance Benefits	19141	519000	$ (49,802)	
Stormwater Enterprise Flood Control	PS	Salaries Permanent	62631	511000		$ 13,254
Stormwater Enterprise Storm Drains	OM	Security Services	62612	529007	$ (7,200)	
Stormwater Enterprise Storm Drains	OM	Vehicle Supplies	62612	548000	$ (6,054)	
Sewer Enterprise Interest on Debt	OM	Interest on Long Term Debt	60750	591500		$ 1
Sewer Enterprise Interest on Debt	OM	Storm Drains	60422	523003	$ (1)	
Total Budgetary Transfers:					$(135,605)	$ 135,605

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Financial Orders (in 2nd reading)
20.068 Order to

Financial Orders (in 2nd reading)
20.068 An Order to Appropriate Balance of Bond Premium for Replacement Doors for SVAHS Building A - 2nd reading

Appropriate Balance of Bond Premium for Replacement Doors for SVAHS Building A - 2nd reading

Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 18, 2020

upon the recommendation of the Mayor

20.068 An Order to Appropriate Balance of Bond Premium for Replacement Doors for SVAHS Building A

Ordered, that

the City appropriate $25,583, representing the aggregate remaining net premium paid to the City upon the sale of bonds issued on May 29, 2019, to be used toward the replacement of doors for Building A on the campus of Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School to meet security and ADA requirements, including any costs incidental and related thereto; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out such capital project.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.069 Order to Authorize Borrowing $640,000 for New Fire Truck - 2nd reading

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Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 18, 2020

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor

20.069 An Order to Authorize Borrowing $640,000 for New Fire Truck

Ordered, that

the sum of $640,000 is appropriated for a new fire truck, including payment of costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet such appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow $640,000 under M.G.L.c. 44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project. Any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this order in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.070 Order to Appropriate $1.22 Million from Capital Stabilization for Various Capital Projects - 2nd reading

20.070 An Order to Appropriate $1.22 Million from Capital Stabilization for Various Capital Projects - 2nd reading
Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 18, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.070 An Order to Appropriate $1.22 Million from Capital Stabilization for Various Capital Projects

Ordered, that

$ 1,222,633 be appropriated from the Capital Stabilization Fund to fund the following projects:

Central Services: Conduct Net-Zero GHG Facilities Studies (7 Buildings)	$ 120,000
Central Services: Forbes Library - Lower Level HVAC Upgrades	$ 25,000
Central Services: AOM - Expand Fire Suppression System	$ 150,000
Central Services: Rec. Dept.- Roof Musante Beach & Arcanum Field Facilities	$ 30,000
Central Services: Rec. Dept.- Replace (7) Safety Village Buildings	$ 84,000
Public Safety Dispatch: ProQA EMD Software	$ 40,000
ITS: NPS Server System Replacement	$ 35,000
ITS: Fingerprint System Replacement - NPD	$ 16,000
ITS: Directory Services Migration - NPS	$ 40,000
ITS: Muncipal Broadband Study	$ 40,000
Planning & Sustainability: Fitzgerald Lake Parking Lot & Path	$ 40,000
Parks & Recreation: Safety Netting - Florence Recreation Fields	$ 145,800
NPS: Transportation Van - 7D	$ 70,000
NPS: Food Service Point of Sale Upgrade	$ 8,324
NPS: JFK - Energy Mgt. System Upgrade	$ 100,000
NPS: NHS - Track Resurfacing - Engineering	$ 15,000
SVAHS: Boys & Girls Lockers	$ 19,092
SVAHS: Entry Doors - Bldg A	$ 24,417
DPW: Forbes Library Drainage Repairs	$ 220,000
Total to be appropriated from FY2020 Capital Stabilization:	**$ 1,222,633**

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.071 Order to Appropriate $25,000 from Cemetery Trust and Income for Cemetery Restorative Work - 2nd reading

20.071 An Order to Appropriate $25,000 from Cemetery Trust and Income for Cemetery Restorative Work - 2nd reading
Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Dwight seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 18, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.071 An Order to Appropriate $25,000 from Cemetery Trust and Income for Cemetery Restorative Work

Ordered, that

Pursuant to the FY2021-FY2025 Capital Improvement Program, that $25,000 be appropriated from the Cemetery Trust and Income, to be used to fund restorative work at the city's cemeteries.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.072 Order to Appropriate $46,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to IT for Various Projects - 2nd rdg

20.072 An Order to Appropriate $46,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to IT for Various Projects - 2nd reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor LaBarge seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 18, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.072 An Order to Appropriate $46,000 from PEG Access and Cable Related Fund to IT for Various Projects

Ordered, that

Pursuant to the FY2021-FY2025 Capital Improvement Program, that $46,000 be appropriated from the PEG Access and Cable Related Fund (Fund 2337) to Information Technology Services for the following projects:

Upgrades to Wide Area Network Switches - City	$ 20,500
Upgrades to Wide Area Network Switches - NPS	$ 25,500
Total:	$ 46,000

Passed two readings and enrolled:

20.073 Order to Reprogram $75,908 from MSBA School Projects to SVAHS Gym Lockers - 2nd rdg

20.073 An Order to Reprogram $75,908 from MSBA School Projects to SVAHS Gym Lockers - 2nd reading
Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 18, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.073 An Order to Reprogram $75,908 from MSBA School Projects to SVAHS Gym Lockers

Ordered, that

surplus funds from the MSBA Bridge Street School Roof Project (3000 350615) in the amount of $33,674 and surplus funds from the MSBA Leeds School Roof Project (3000 350616) in the amount of $42,234 be reprogrammed to fund new lockers for the gym at Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School in the amount of $75,908.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.074 An Order to Reprogram Ryan Road School Cafeteria Funds to NPS Projects - 2nd

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reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Thorpe seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 18, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.074 An Order to Reprogram Ryan Road School Cafeteria Funds to NPS Projects

Ordered, that

surplus funds in the R. K. Finn Ryan Road School Cafeteria project in the amount of $60,542 (19303 586639) be reprogrammed for the following projects for Northampton Public Schools:

NPS Food Service Point of Sale System	$23,042
NPS Walk In Freezer Controls at NHS and JFK	$15,000
NPS NHS Cafeteria Steam Table Replacement	$22,500
Total:	$60,542

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.075 Order to Purchase Land on Boggy Meadow Road to Add to the Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway - 2nd reading

20.075 An Order to Purchase Land on Boggy Meadow Road to Add to the Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway - 2nd reading
Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 18, 2020
Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz, Planning & Sustainability, and the Conservation Commission

20.075 An Order to Purchase Land on Boggy Meadow Road to Add to the Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, The *Open Space, Recreation and Multiuse Trail Plan: 2018-2025* recommends "preserving ecologically valuable land and filling gaps at … Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway";

WHEREAS, The City has an option to purchase up to 53± acres off Boggy Meadow Road from the Wilbur family (Map ID 18-001) which contains rich wetlands and upland habitat, trail opportunities, and would fill a major gap in the adjacent Broad Brook-Fitzgerald Lake Greenway;

Ordered, that
The Conservation Commission is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire for conservation and passive recreation purposes, as provided by MGL Chapter 40, §8C, any fee, easement or conservation restriction as defined in MGL Chapter 184, §31 or any other interest in the above land and any immediately adjoining land; that the City Council hereby accepts such conservation restrictions; that the Conservation Commission is authorized to grant conservation restrictions and related easements on any land so acquired; and that the Conservation Commission is authorized to contract for and expend any federal, state, or other aid available for this project, including any grant from the Division of Conservation Services of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, under the LAND/Self-Help Act, MGL Chapter 132A, §11, with such related restrictions and agreements as the City determines are agreeable;

Further Ordered: That $150,000 is appropriated for such acquisition; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow $150,000 under Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the General Laws; that the Mayor and/or the Conservation Commission are authorized to apply for and expend any federal, state, or other aid available for this project, including any grant from the Division of Conservation Services of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs under the LAND Self-Help Act, Chapter 132A, Section 11 of the General Laws, provided that the amount of the borrowing authorized by this vote shall be reduced by any such grants or aid received for the project; and that any premium received by the City upon the sale of any bonds approved by this order, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds, may be applied to the payment of costs of the project approved by this order in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws and thereby reduce the amount of the authorized borrowing by a like amount.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

20.078 Order to Authorize King Street Corridor Improvements Right of Way Acquisition - 2nd reading

20.078 An Order to Authorize King Street Corridor Improvements Right of Way Acquisition - 2nd reading
Councilor Dwight moved to approve the order in second reading. Councilor Quinlan seconded.

Mayor Narkewicz said he needed to request an amendment to the order. As mentioned at the last meeting, the city is purchasing some right-of-way easements while others are being donated. City officials have not been able to finalize and verify the donation from Cumberland Farms. Because of the required paperwork for MassDOT and an abundance of caution, he wants to amend the order as well as the Order of Taking to revert back from a donation to a purchase of this easement so as not to delay the project. He had to go through the company's corporate chain of command and was not able to secure final approval in time.

The amendment requested is changing the total sum from $215,500 to $229,700, reflecting the $14,200 difference, which is the appraised value of the Cumberland Farms temporary easement.

It is also necessary to change the Order of Taking page 14 (Exhibit B11) to change the amount of damages from $0 to $14,200.

Councilor Dwight moved to amend the order to change the sum from $215,500 to $229,700 and to amend the Order of Taking to change the amount of damages awarded on Exhibit B11 from $0 to $14,200. Councilor Quinlan seconded. The motion passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

Councilor Sciarra called the motion to approve the order as amended to a vote, and it passed unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote.

The following order passed two readings:

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, June 18, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

20.078 AN ORDER AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY INTERESTS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF PORTIONS OF KING STREET, FINN STREET, SUMMER STREET, AND NORTH STREET

WHEREAS, Federal Highway and MassDOT, at the City's request, have agreed to fund a reconstruction of King Street from Bright Street to the MassCentral Rail Trail crossing, along with portions of Finn Street, Summer Street, and North Street ("the project"); and

WHEREAS, the project will improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, improve traffic safety, slow the speed of traffic, improve traffic operations, and update obsolete infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the city is responsible for land acquisitions, including fee interests, and temporary and permanent easements, needed for the project; and

WHEREAS, the acquisitions of property interests for the project will be funded by Chapter 90 funds allocated to the City; and

WHEREAS, the interests to be taken are shown on a plan entitled "Alteration and Easement Plan, Northampton, Massachusetts Surveyed for the City of Northampton" stamped on May 12, 2020.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,
The City Council hereby authorizes the acquisition by purchase, gift, eminent domain, or otherwise of fee interests in parcels 1-C and 2-C, permanent easements in, on, over and under parcels PE-01 through PE-06, inclusive, permanent utility easements in, on, over and under parcels PUE-02 through PUE-05, inclusive, and temporary easements in, on, over and under parcels TE-01 through TE-43, inclusive, all as shown on the plan entitled "Alteration and Easement Plan, Northampton, Massachusetts Surveyed for the City of Northampton" stamped on May 12, 2020. The City Council further appropriates the total sum of Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Seven Hundred Dollars ($229,700.00) from chapter 90 funds as consideration or damages for the acquisitions.

Passed two readings and enrolled.

Orders	Orders None
New Business	New Business None
Information (Charter Provision 2-7) & Study Requests	Information (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests None
Motion to Adjourn	Upon motion made by Councilor Dwight and seconded by Councilor Jarrett, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 p.m. The motion carried unanimously 9:0 by roll call vote. Attest:_____ Administrative Assistant to the City Council

NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT RECORD SHEET

July 9, 2020

The Northampton City Council opened the floor to public comment at 7:01 p.m.

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Laurie Loisel	Ward 3	dismantling white supremacy is the hardest thing they will ever do; focusing on police alone is myopic. Endorses plan to rethink policing, asked to paint BLM slogan on city street
Jose Adastra	Northampton	was born into drug cartel; U.S. drug system protects drug dealers His family has been bribing the police since before he was born; U.S. police are international death squad.
Letitia Willette	Northampton	maybe they could do a training (for police?)
Karen Sullivan	Ward 1	NPRC should not have any mandates around reduction until after thorough review; only 0.02% of calls resulted in use of force by NPD and only 0.29% of cases against non-whites
Jonathan Wright	91 Olander Drive	re: NKS roundabout; proposing to disrupt history over a case of traffic safety; asking to pause on well-organized properly-planned project
Mark Devlin	River Valley Co-op VP	over 54,000 have signed petition to conduct further study of rare archeological site at corner of Hatfield St./Rt. 5 & 10 eligible for registry of historic sites; looking for cc leadership to protect
Natalia Munoz	Holyoke	former chair of HRC; dismayed by criticism and treatment of NPD; chief's first stop after appointment was HRC
Greg Skibiski	Northampton	father life-long preservationist and former chair of Historic N'hamp Site eligible for listing in National Register of Historic Places; slated for full destruction; add report to cc public record
Daniel Cannity	Ward 4	cutting NPD budget 1st step; 10% wouldn't even cover damages in Eric Matlock police misconduct case; every 28 hours black man killed in US by police or security guard
Jesse Hassinger	Northampton	Karen Sullivan #'s skewed; out of 84 use of force in 2019, 13 against blacks, 15.5% altho only 3% N'hamp residents are black; not a personal attack on NPD but policing institution
John Skibiski	Northampton	asked mayor and cc city's position on preservation of 10,000-year old Native American site on Hatfield Street; 54,000 signed petition calling to preserve
Amy Francaes	Ward 4	endorsed comments of Dan Cannity and Jesse Hassinger;. refuted claims of Karen Sullivan
Mac Godinez	Ward 2	seeking clarity on appointment process of proposed commission
Elliot Oberholtzer	Easthampton	read statement from Nitmuck nation. Mr. Skibiski does not represent tribes. Skibiski suing for return of artifacts removed; if cc takes position, would like it to support Nitmuck interests
Summer Cable		re: NKS historic site; publicity puts site in harm's way. Are some who loot archeological sites; locations usually kept private
Rowan Luftan	Ward 6	has unanswered questions of mayor and police chief
Alex Dichon		echoed comments of Dan, Rowan, etc.; supports defunding police, approves 10% cut
Annie Wood	Ward 3	commission bureaucratic measure to divert cause to defund police; personally witnessed police brutality 2x, Limoges and Kevin Cook during wellness check, pepper-spraying minors
Richard Aslin	Northampton	small neighborhood in Village Hill; Kent Pekoa and son began liquidating assets causing flooding and property damage and leaving residents in legal limbo. Asking city to step in.

NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT RECORD SHEET

July 9, 2020

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
Orianna Riley	Ward 3	re: resolution for NPRC echoed words of Dan, Jesse, Rowan, etc. Feels missing point. We clearly told you we don't support commission; we don't want reform, we want abolition
Sascha	Easthampton	cannot make a plan to create alternatives to the police unless first defund the police
Gillian Love	Ward 4	disappointed with cc decision to move forward with commission focused on reform as reform ineffective. Want select committee because feel BIPOC voices will be focused on more.
Ezekiel Baskin	Northampton	re: reallocation. Mayor hasn't yet put forward financial orders for $ to social services, etc. Referred to order to appropriate $90,000 for health & safety improvements to collector's office.

MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ

City of Northampton
Office of the Mayor
210 Main Street Room 12
Northampton, MA 01060-3199
(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275
mayor@northamptonma.gov

DATE: July 9, 2020

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz

SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please find the attached appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Board of Registrars

Daniel Polachek, 335 South St., Northampton, MA
Term: April 2020-March 2023
Reappointment

Downtown Business Architecture Committee

Aelan Tierney, 30 Francis St., Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Human Rights Commission

Booker Bush, MD, 119 Pine St., Florence, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

License Commission

Helen Kahn, 188 Federal St., Florence, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2026
Reappointment

Parks & Recreation Commission

James Ryan, 56 Leonard St., Leeds, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

From: noreply@civicplus.com
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions
Date: June 24, 2020 at 2:56 PM
To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

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Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	DANIEL
Last Name	POLACHEK
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	P O BOX 234 335 SOUTH ST
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	NORTHAMPTON
State	MA
Zip	01061
Home Phone	4135843365
Work Phone	4135845809
Cell Phone	4132225320
Occupation & Place of Employment	DANIEL W POLACHEK PC CPA CFP
Email	DAN@DWPOLACHEK.COM
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	39
Age	60 - 69
Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	CAUCASION

Boards and Committees	Registrars, Board of
Political Party Affiliation	Republican
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	CURRRENT
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree.
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Signature	DANEIL W POLACHEK
Date	6/24/2020

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noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com> Tue, Jun 23, 2020 at 5:03 PM
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First Name	Aelan
Last Name	Tierney
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	30 Francis St.
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413-584-8706
Work Phone	413-259-1630 x111
Cell Phone	413-575-5220
Occupation & Place of Employment	President, Architect, Kuhn riddle Architects
Email	atierney@kuhnriddle.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	25
Age	50 - 59

Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	White/Irish
Boards and Committees	Central Business Architecture Committee
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	As a licensed architect, with more than 25 years of experience in new construction as well as historic renovations, I provide the board both an aesthetic and technical opinion on the projects presented to the board. Having served on the Central Business Architecture Committee for several terms, I am also very familiar with the guidelines, and as chair, I believe, I have provided solid leadership for the board.
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	I am currently chair of the Central Business Architecture Committee

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Signature	Aelan B. Tierney
Date	6/23/2020

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noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com> Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 5:08 PM
To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Booker
Last Name	Bush
Title, if applicable	MD
Address1	119 Pine Street
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	413-727 8497
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	617-947-7882
Occupation & Place of Employment	Physician, Baystate Medical Center
Email	bookertbush@msn.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	10
Age	60 - 69

Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	Black
Boards and Committees	Human Rights Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	I have been on the Human Rights Commission for 3 years, would like to continue. I am hoping to perhaps serve on the Police advisory committee as a rep from the Human rights commission
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Human rights Commission

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Signature	Booker Bush
Date	6/25/2020

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Wed, Jun 24, 2020 at 2:46 PM

Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Helen
Last Name	Kahn
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	188 Federal Street
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	*Field not completed.*
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	413-237-9585
Occupation & Place of Employment	*Field not completed.*
Email	helenjkahn@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	21
Age	*Field not completed.*

Sex	*Field not completed.*
Racial / Ethnic Background	*Field not completed.*
Boards and Committees	License Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	2 years on License Committee
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	License Committee

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Signature	Helen J Kahn
Date	6/24/2020

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First Name	James
Last Name	Ryan
Title, if applicable	Park and Recreation
Address1	56 Leonard St
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Leeds
State	Ma
Zip	01053
Home Phone	413-587-8285
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	413-348-2931
Occupation & Place of Employment	Verizon
Email	Theryans5@verizon.net
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	58
Age	50 - 59

Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	*Field not completed.*
Boards and Committees	Parks and Recreation Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	All ready on the committee.
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	*Field not completed.*

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Signature	James M. Ryan
Date	6/24/2020

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City of Northampton

Application for Annual License

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., _____

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Northampton:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body for a License as follows:

Name of Business: **Cumberland Rare Books**

Type of License: **Secondhand Dealer**

Location of Business: **9-1/2 Market Street**

Print Name of Applicant: (√) HOSEA BASKIN

Signature of Applicant: (√) _____

Address of Applicant: (√) No. 9 1/2 Street MARKET STREET

In City Council, _____

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

ATTEST:

_____
City Clerk

In Committee on Licenses, _____

Voted to recommend that Petition ____be granted, _____ not granted

ATTEST:

_____
Clerk

In City Council, _____(date)

Voted that Petition be _____ granted _____not granted

Attest: _____*Clerk to City Council*

City of Northampton

STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES FILED AND PAID

Name of Business: Cumberland Rare Books

Location of Business: 9-1/2 Market Street

The license (as a/for a) Secondhand Dealer will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant listed on the license.

I, (V) HOSEA BASKIN **(print name of owner or authorized agent of the business) certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief, have field all state tax returns and paid all state taxes as required under law.**

(V)_____

Signature of Owner or Agent

(V)[redacted] **or** (V)_____

Social Security Number **Federal Identification Number**

Your social security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licenses who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Massachusetts General Law, chapter 62C, section 49A.

City of Northampton

AFFADAVIT OF WAGE COMPLIANCE

Name of Business: **Cumberland Rare Books**

Location of Business: **9-1/2 Market Street**

The Northampton City Council, in determining whether to issue, re-issue, modify, suspend or revoke a license. under G.L. c. 140,shall require that a potential or current licensee certify that they are not subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act The City Council may require a wage bond or insurance be posted by any potential licensee who does not certify that they are not subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act. Licensees that are subject to a state or federal debarment for violation of the above laws, either voluntarily or involuntarily, or that have been prohibited from contracting with the Commonwealth or any of its agencies or subdivisions shall be prohibited from holding, or continuing to hold, licenses issued under G.L. c. 140, for the entire period of debarment or other stated time period.

Applicants must check box 1 or box 2 as applicable and must sign this Form, certifying compliance with the requirements set out in this Form. This Form must be included with the application.

AFFADAVIT: (√) (Choose 1 below)

☒ This License applicant is not subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act within the last three years.

☐ This License applicant is subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act within the last three years. This applicant will provide a wage bond or wage insurance for the period of the license.

(√) HOSEA BASKIN
(Typed or printed name of applicant)

(√) _____
(Signature)

City of Northampton

Application for Annual License

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., _____

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Northampton:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body for a License as follows:

Name of Business: **Sun Music, LLC dba Birdhouse Music**

Type of License: **Secondhand Dealer**

Location of Business: **164 Main Street**

Print Name of Applicant: (V) Glen Alper

Signature of Applicant: (V) _____

Address of Applicant: (V) No. 17 Street Vernon

In City Council, _____

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

ATTEST:

_____
City Clerk

In Committee on Licenses, _____

Voted to recommend that Petition ____be granted, _____ not granted

ATTEST:

_____
Clerk

In City Council, _____(date)

Voted that Petition be _____ granted _____not granted

Attest: _____*Clerk to City Council*

City of Northampton

STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES FILED AND PAID

Name of Business: Sun Music, LLC dba Birdhouse Music

Location of Business: 164 Main Street

The license (as a/for a) Secondhand Dealer will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant listed on the license.

I, (√) Glen Alper **(print name of owner or authorized agent of the business) certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief, have field all state tax returns and paid all state taxes as required under law.**

(√)_____

Signature of Owner or Agent

(√)[redacted] **or** (√)[redacted]

Social Security Number **Federal Identification Number**

Your social security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licenses who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Massachusetts General Law, chapter 62C, section 49A.

City of Northampton

AFFADAVIT OF WAGE COMPLIANCE

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Location of Business: **164 Main Street**

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Applicants must check box 1 or box 2 as applicable and must sign this Form, certifying compliance with the requirements set out in this Form. This Form must be included with the application.

AFFADAVIT: (√) (Choose 1 below)

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(√) Glen Alper
(Typed or printed name of applicant)

(√) _____
(Signature)

City of Northampton

Application for Annual License

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., _____

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Northampton:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body for a License as follows:

Name of Business: **Born Again Vintage & Consignment**

Type of License: **Secondhand Dealer**

Location of Business: **4 Old South Street**

Print Name of Applicant: (√) Laura Burke

Signature of Applicant: (√) Laura Burke

Address of Applicant: (√) No. 11 Street Eastern Ave.
Northampton. MA 01060

In City Council, _____

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

ATTEST:

_____
City Clerk

In Committee on Licenses, _____

Voted to recommend that Petition ____be granted, _____ not granted

ATTEST:

_____
Clerk

In City Council, _____(date)

Voted that Petition be _____ granted _____not granted

Attest: _____*Clerk to City Council*

City of Northampton

STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES FILED AND PAID

Name of Business: Born Again Vintage & Consignment

Location of Business: 4 Old South Street

The license (as a/for a) Secondhand Dealer will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant listed on the license.

I, (V) Laura Burke **(print name of owner or authorized agent of the business) certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief, have field all state tax returns and paid all state taxes as required under law.**

(V) Laura Burke

Signature of Owner or Agent

(V) [redacted] **or (V)**_____

Social Security Number **Federal Identification Number**

Your social security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licenses who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Massachusetts General Law, chapter 62C, section 49A.

City of Northampton

AFFADAVIT OF WAGE COMPLIANCE

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Location of Business: **4 Old South Street**

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AFFADAVIT: (√) (Choose 1 below)

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(√) Laura Burke
(Typed or printed name of applicant)

(√) Laura Burke
(Signature)

City of Northampton

Application for Annual License

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., _____

To the Honorable City Council of the City of Northampton:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body for a License as follows:

Name of Business: **Pheonix Rising**

Type of License: **Second Hand dealer**

Location of Business: **5 Old South Street**

Print Name of Applicant: (V) Robert Templeton

Signature of Applicant: (V) Robert J Templeton

Address of Applicant: (V) No. 64 Street Franklin Rd Longmeadow, MA 01106

In City Council, _____

Referred to Committee on Licenses.

ATTEST:

_____

City Clerk

In Committee on Licenses, _____

Voted to recommend that Petition ____be granted, _____ not granted

ATTEST:

_____

Clerk

In City Council, _____(date)

Voted that Petition be _____ granted _____not granted

Attest: _____*Clerk to City Council*

City of Northampton

STATEMENT OF ALL TAXES FILED AND PAID

Name of Business: Pheonix Rising

Location of Business: 5 Old South Street

The license (as a/for a) Second Hand dealer will not be issued unless this certification clause is signed by the applicant listed on the license.

I, (V) Robert Templeton **(print name of owner or authorized agent of the business) certify under the penalties of perjury that I, to my best knowledge and belief, have field all state tax returns and paid all state taxes as required under law.**

(V) Robert J Templeton

Signature of Owner or Agent

(V)_____ **or (V)** [redacted]

Social Security Number **Federal Identification Number**

Your social security number will be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Licenses who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will be subject to license suspension or revocation. This request is made under the authority of Massachusetts General Law, chapter 62C, section 49A.

City of Northampton

AFFADAVIT OF WAGE COMPLIANCE

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(Typed or printed name of applicant)

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(City Ordinance C.21 – 44)

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2008 Dodge Caravan, Brown — DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE

TA 629 D — REGISTRATION NUMBER
1D8HN44H18B184670 — VEHICLE IDENTIFICATIUON NUMBER
7 — VEHICLE CAPACITY (PASSENGERS)

7 — NUMBER OF SEAT BELTS
INSPECTION EXPIRATION (ATTACH PROOF)

Picture of vehicle required
Insurance Policy with specified limits required

Child Safety Seat Plan Required
Fee: $25.00

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SIGNATURE

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CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

Sworn to this 24th day of July, 2011, before me.

City Clerk

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This permit IS _____
IS NOT _____ granted. _____
DATE

Council Clerk

Appeal Filed?_____ _____
DATE

REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EXTERNAL CODE	REGISTRATION TYPE	PLATE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE	TITLE NUMBER	EXPIRES ON
TAN	Taxi Normal	629D	01-Dec-2019	BT474639	30-Nov-2020

MODEL YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MODEL NUMBER	BODY STYLE	COLOR
2008	DODG	CARAVA		VAN	BROWN

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 1D8HN44H18B184670

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING): 241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

TOTAL REGISTERED WEIGHT FOR A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR TRAILER:

GARAGE ADDRESS: 241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

US DOT NUMBER FOR COMMERCIAL VEHICLE:

NAME(S) OF OWNER(S) AND MAILING ADDRESS:
JEFFREY D MILLER
PO BOX 26
NORTHAMPTON MA 01061-0026

INSURANCE COMPANY: PROTECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY

MAXIMUM SEATING CAPACITY FOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE:

LESSEE/IN CUSTODY OF:

Registrar of Motor Vehicles

SPECIAL MESSAGE:

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts Motor Vehicle Inspection and Maintenance Program

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Overall Result:	PASS	Vehicle Information		Station Information	
Safety Result	PASS	VIN	1D8HN44H18B184670	ERNIES GARAGE, LLC	
Emissions Result	PASS	License Plate	TA629D	72 KING STREET	
Start Test Date/Time	1/20/2020 1:04 PM	Plate Type/State	TAN / MA	NORTHAMPTON MA	
End Test Date/Time	1/20/2020 1:14 PM	Vehicle Type	PASSENGER	(413) 584-0716	
Test Type	Regular	Year / Make	2008 Dodge		
Sticker Number	210707355	Model	Grand Caravan	Station Number	PB005056
Inspection Type	Initial	Fuel Type	GASOLINE	Workstation Number	MAW00000648
Inspection Counter	1	Engine Cyl / Size	6 / 3.3L	Inspector Number	*****5128
		GVWR	6000		
		Odometer	265699		

Inspection Fee $35.00

Safety Inspection Results

License Plate Mounting and Condition	PASS	Service Brakes	PASS	Parking Brake	PASS
Horn	PASS	Stop Lights and Tail Lights	PASS	Headlight Aim and Operation	PASS
Lighting Devices and Reflectors	PASS	Directional Signals and 4-Ways	PASS	Front End	PASS
Steering and Suspension	PASS	Frame	PASS	Windshield Wipers and Cleaner	PASS
Safety Belts	PASS	Air Bags	N/A	Muffler and Exhaust System	PASS
Window Tint	PASS	Windshield	PASS	Rear View Mirror	PASS
Bumpers/Fenders/Exterior Sheet Metal	PASS	Fuel Tank Filler Cap	PASS	Fuel Tank Filler Neck and Components	PASS
Visible Smoke	PASS	Altered Vehicle Height	PASS	Tires	PASS
Other	PASS				

Inspection Comments

None

On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) Results

Tampering Check	PASS
Connector Result	PASS
RPM Result	PASS
Key-On BulbCheck	N/A
Engine-Running Bulb Check	N/A
Scan Tool Check	PASS
Communication Result	PASS
MIL Status Result	PASS
Readiness Result	PASS

OBD Readiness Monitor Results

Catalyst	READY
Catalyst Heater	UNSUPPORTED
Evaporative System	READY
Secondary Air System	UNSUPPORTED
A/C System	UNSUPPORTED
Oxygen Sensor	READY
Oxygen Sensor Heater	READY
EGR and/or VVT System	READY

OBD Additional Data

Miles Since Code Clearing	1294
Warm-Ups Since Code Clearing	
Pin 16 Voltage	14.0

OBD Diagnostic Trouble Codes

OBD Permanent Fault Codes

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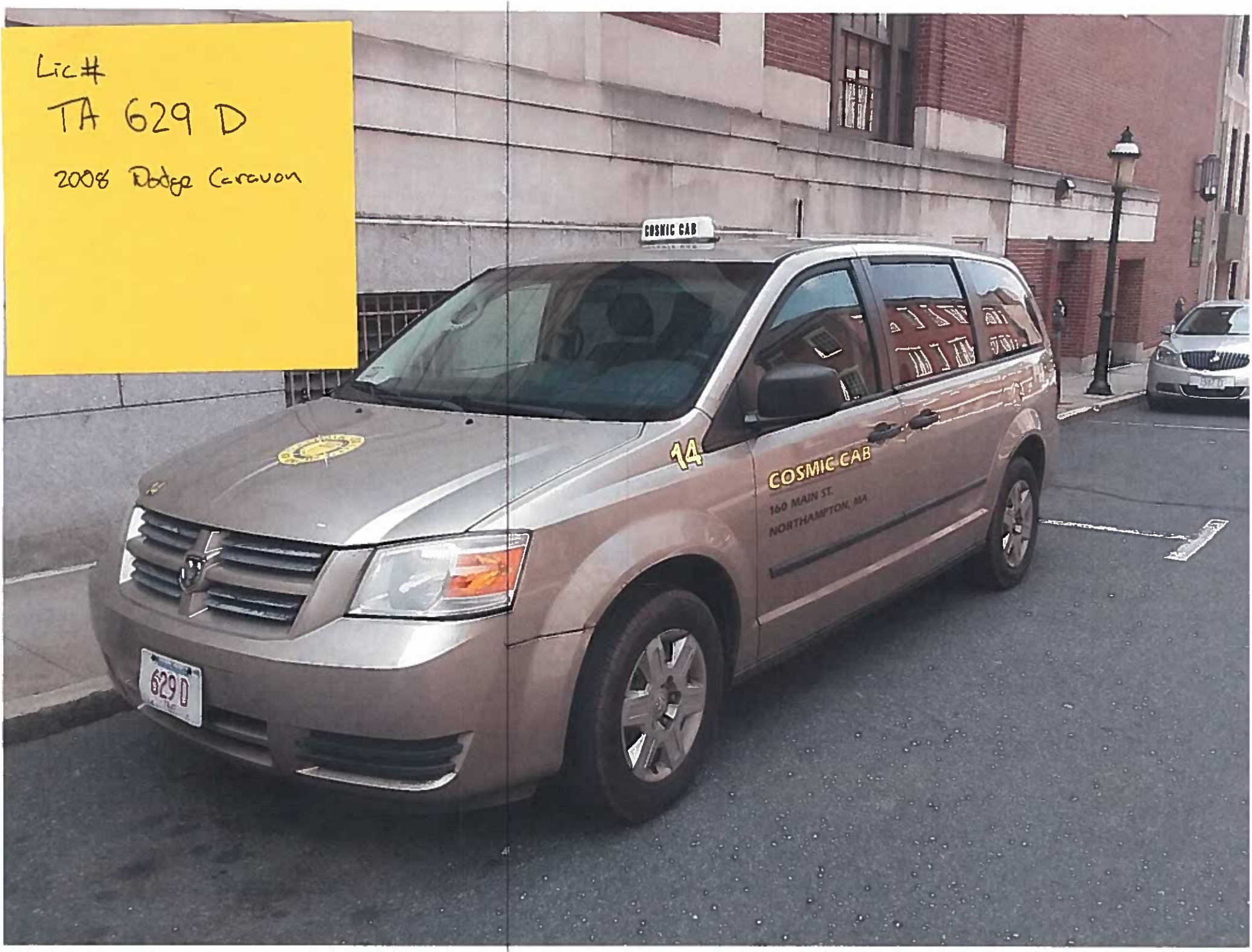
VIR Number

Lic#
TA 629 D
2008 Dodge Caravan



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City of Northampton
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR TAXI CAB
(City Ordinance C.21 – 44)

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☐ New Application ☒ Renewal

Miller — LAST NAME
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2005 Dodge Magnum, Grey — DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE

TA 26983 — REGISTRATION NUMBER
2D4GZ48VX5H511216 — VEHICLE IDENTIFICATIUON NUMBER
5 — VEHICLE CAPACITY (PASSENGERS)

5 — NUMBER OF SEAT BELTS
INSPECTION EXPIRATION (ATTACH PROOF)

Picture of vehicle required
Insurance Policy with specified limits required
Child Safety Seat Plan Required
Fee: $25.00

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CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

Sworn to this 24th day of July, 20 20, before me.

City Clerk

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DATE

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Appeal Filed?_____ _____
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Safety Result	PASS	VIN	2D4GZ48VX5H511216	ERNIES GARAGE, LLC	
Emissions Result	N/A	License Plate	TA26983	72 KING STREET	
Start Test Date/Time	5/6/2020 8:48 AM	Plate Type/State	TAN / MA	NORTHAMPTON	MA
End Test Date/Time	5/6/2020 8:56 AM	Vehicle Type	PASSENGER	(413) 584-0716	
Test Type	Regular	Year / Make	2005 Dodge		
Sticker Number	210718353	Model	Magnum	Station Number	PB005056
Inspection Type	Initial	Fuel Type	GASOLINE	Workstation Number	MAW00000648
Inspection Counter	1	Engine Cyl / Size	6 / 3.5L	Inspector Number	*****0933
		GVWR	6000		
		Odometer	226736		

Inspection Fee **$35.00**

Safety Inspection Results

License Plate Mounting and Condition	PASS	Service Brakes	PASS	Parking Brake	PASS
Horn	PASS	Stop Lights and Tail Lights	PASS	Headlight Aim and Operation	PASS
Lighting Devices and Reflectors	PASS	Directional Signals and 4-Ways	PASS	Front End	PASS
Steering and Suspension	PASS	Frame	PASS	Windshield Wipers and Cleaner	PASS
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Other	PASS				

Inspection Comments

None

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VIR Number

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EXTERNAL CODE	REGISTRATION TYPE	PLATE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE	TITLE NUMBER	EXPIRES ON
TAN	Taxi Normal	26983	01-Dec-2019	BV096470	30-Nov-2020

MODEL YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MODEL NUMBER	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
2005	DODG	MGN		STWAG	GRAY	2D4GZ48VX5H511216

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING)
241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

TOTAL REGISTERED WEIGHT FOR A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR TRAILER

GARAGE ADDRESS
241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

US DOT NUMBER FOR COMMERCIAL VEHICLE

NAME(S) OF OWNER(S) AND MAILING ADDRESS
JEFFREY D MILLER
PO BOX 26
NORTHAMPTON MA 01061-0026

INSURANCE COMPANY
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MAXIMUM SEATING CAPACITY FOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE

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SPECIAL MESSAGE

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Lic #
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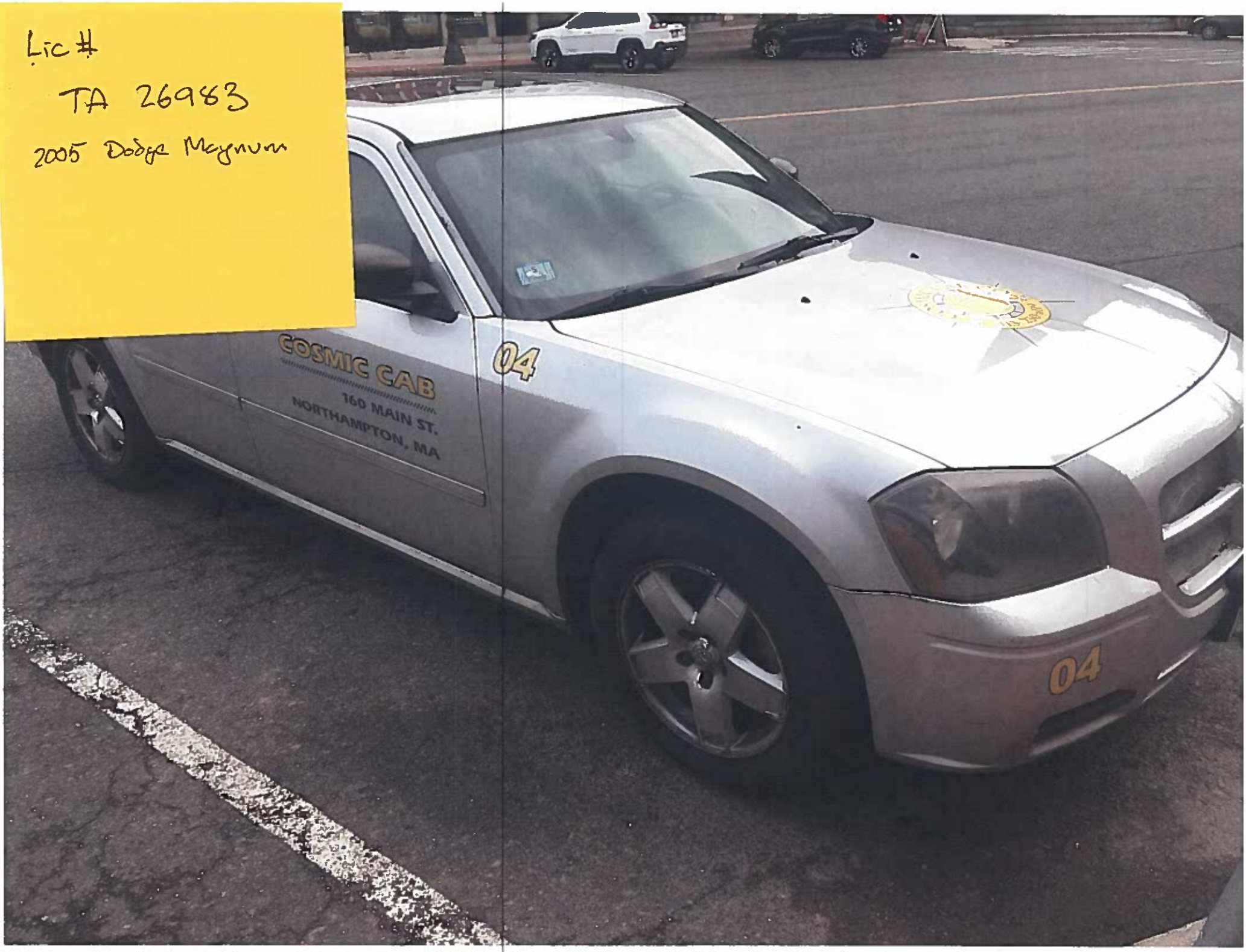
2005 Dodge Magnum



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City of Northampton

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Emissions Result	N/A	License Plate	TA26981	72 KING STREET	
Start Test Date/Time	2/4/2020 11:56 AM	Plate Type/State	TAN / MA	NORTHAMPTON	MA
End Test Date/Time	2/4/2020 11:59 AM	Vehicle Type	PASSENGER	(413) 584-0716	
Test Type	Regular	Year / Make	2008 Dodge		
Sticker Number	210707793	Model	Grand Caravan	Station Number	PB005056
Inspection Type	Retest	Fuel Type	GASOLINE	Workstation Number	MAW00000648
Inspection Counter	2	Engine Cyl / Size	6 / 3.3L	Inspector Number	*****5128
		GVWR	6000		
		Odometer	260020		

Inspection Fee $0.00

Safety Inspection Results

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Communication Result	N/A
MIL Status Result	N/A
Readiness Result	N/A

OBD Readiness Monitor Results

Catalyst	N/A
Catalyst Heater	N/A
Evaporative System	N/A
Secondary Air System	N/A
A/C System	N/A
Oxygen Sensor	N/A
Oxygen Sensor Heater	N/A
EGR and/or VVT System	N/A

OBD Additional Data

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Warm-Ups Since Code Clearing
Pin 16 Voltage

OBD Diagnostic Trouble Codes

OBD Permanent Fault Codes

N/A

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Lic #

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2001 Chevy Suburban, Brown

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TA603C	3GNFK16T91G181969	7
REGISTRATION NUMBER	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATIUON NUMBER	VEHICLE CAPACITY (PASSENGERS)

7	8/20
NUMBER OF SEAT BELTS	INSPECTION EXPIRATION (ATTACH PROOF)

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CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

Sworn to this 24th day of July, 20 20, before me,

City Clerk

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Overall Result:	**PASS**	**Vehicle Information**		**Station Information**	
Safety Result	PASS	VIN	3GNFK16T91G181969	ERNIES GARAGE, LLC	
Emissions Result	N/A	License Plate	TA603C	72 KING STREET	
Start Test Date/Time	8/31/2019 11:48 AM	Plate Type/State	TAN / MA	NORTHAMPTON	MA
End Test Date/Time	8/31/2019 11:54 AM	Vehicle Type	TRUCK	(413) 584-0716	
Test Type	Regular	Year / Make	2001 Chevrolet		
Sticker Number	203970362	Model	Suburban	Station Number	PB005056
Inspection Type	Initial	Fuel Type	GASOLINE	Workstation Number	MAW00000648
Inspection Counter	1	Engine Cyl / Size	8 / 5.3L	Inspector Number	*****5128
		GVWR	8000		
		Odometer	247510		

Inspection Fee **$35.00**

Safety Inspection Results

License Plate Mounting and Condition	PASS	Service Brakes	PASS	Parking Brake	PASS
Horn	PASS	Stop Lights and Tail Lights	PASS	Headlight Aim and Operation	PASS
Lighting Devices and Reflectors	PASS	Directional Signals and 4-Ways	PASS	Front End	PASS
Steering and Suspension	PASS	Frame	PASS	Windshield Wipers and Cleaner	PASS
Safety Belts	PASS	Air Bags	N/A	Muffler and Exhaust System	PASS
Window Tint	PASS	Windshield	PASS	Rear View Mirror	PASS
Bumpers/Fenders/Exterior Sheet Metal	PASS	Fuel Tank Filler Cap	PASS	Fuel Tank Filler Neck and Components	PASS
Visible Smoke	PASS	Altered Vehicle Height	PASS	Tires	PASS
Other	PASS				

Inspection Comments

None

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REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

EXTERNAL CODE	REGISTRATION TYPE	PLATE NUMBER	EFFECTIVE DATE	TITLE NUMBER	EXPIRES ON
TAN	Taxi Normal	603C	01-Dec-2019	BU341392	30-Nov-2020

MODEL YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MODEL NUMBER	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
2001	CHEV	K1500		SUV	BROWN	3GNFK16T91G181969

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN MAILING)
241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

TOTAL REGISTERED WEIGHT FOR A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE OR TRAILER

GARAGE ADDRESS
241 HAYDENVILLE RD LEEDS MA 01053-9768

US DOT NUMBER FOR COMMERCIAL VEHICLE

NAME(S) OF OWNER(S) AND MAILING ADDRESS
JEFFREY D MILLER
PO BOX 26
NORTHAMPTON MA 01061-0026

INSURANCE COMPANY
PROTECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY

MAXIMUM SEATING CAPACITY FOR VEHICLES FOR HIRE

LESSEE/IN CUSTODY OF

Jeffrey Tesler Registrar of Motor Vehicles

SPECIAL MESSAGE

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Lic #:
TA 603 C
2001 Chevy Suburban

COSMIC CAB (413)230-6119
SUBURBAN
CHEVROLET
Massachusetts
603 C
TAXI

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☒ New Application ☐ Renewal

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David — MIDDLE NAME

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160 Main St. #8 Northampton — Business Address

2008 Chrysler PT Cruiser, Green — DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE

TA 27569 — REGISTRATION NUMBER
3A8FY58B28T198416 — VEHICLE IDENTIFICATIUON NUMBER
5ppl — VEHICLE CAPACITY (PASSENGERS)

5 — NUMBER OF SEAT BELTS
01/21 — INSPECTION EXPIRATION (ATTACH PROOF)

Picture of vehicle required
Insurance Policy with specified limits required

Child Safety Seat Plan Required
Fee: $25.00

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TAN	Taxi Normal	27569	29-Jun-2020	BU749925	30-Nov-2020

MODEL YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	MODEL NUMBER	BODY STYLE	COLOR
2008	CHRY	PTCRUI		VAN	GREEN

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 3A8FY58B28T198416

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NORTHAMPTON MA 01061-0026

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LESSEE/IN CUSTODY OF:

Registrar of Motor Vehicles

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Overall Result:	PASS
Safety Result	PASS
Emissions Result	PASS
Start Test Date/Time	1/20/2020 8:21 AM
End Test Date/Time	1/20/2020 8:29 AM
Test Type	Regular
Sticker Number	210707342
Inspection Type	Initial
Inspection Counter	1

Vehicle Information	
VIN	3A8FY58B28T198416
License Plate	20664
Plate Type/State	TAN / MA
Vehicle Type	PASSENGER
Year / Make	2008 Chrysler
Model	PT Cruiser
Fuel Type	GASOLINE
Engine Cyl / Size	4 / 2.4L
GVWR	5000
Odometer	120390

Station Information

ERNIES GARAGE, LLC
72 KING STREET
NORTHAMPTON MA
(413) 584-0716

Station Number	PB005056
Workstation Number	MAW00000648
Inspector Number	*****0933

Inspection Fee $35.00

Safety Inspection Results

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Inspection Comments

None

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Tampering Check	PASS
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Engine-Running Bulb Check	N/A
Scan Tool Check	PASS
Communication Result	PASS
MIL Status Result	PASS
Readiness Result	PASS

OBD Readiness Monitor Results

Catalyst	READY
Catalyst Heater	UNSUPPORTED
Evaporative System	READY
Secondary Air System	UNSUPPORTED
A/C System	UNSUPPORTED
Oxygen Sensor	READY
Oxygen Sensor Heater	READY
EGR and/or VVT System	UNSUPPORTED

OBD Additional Data

Miles Since Code Clearing	856
Warm-Ups Since Code Clearing	
Pin 16 Voltage	14.4

OBD Diagnostic Trouble Codes

OBD Permanent Fault Codes

7F 0A 80

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VIR Number

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7 — VEHICLE CAPACITY (PASSENGERS)

7 — NUMBER OF SEAT BELTS
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Overall Result:	PASS
Safety Result	PASS
Emissions Result	PASS
Start Test Date/Time	3/21/2020 10:30 AM
End Test Date/Time	3/21/2020 10:39 AM
Test Type	Regular
Sticker Number	210718030
Inspection Type	Initial
Inspection Counter	1

Vehicle Information	
VIN	3GNFK16367G155614
License Plate	TA26977
Plate Type/State	TAN / MA
Vehicle Type	TRUCK
Year / Make	2007 Chevrolet
Model	Suburban
Fuel Type	FLEXIBLE
Engine Cyl / Size	8 / 5.3L
GVWR	8000
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OBD Additional Data

Miles Since Code Clearing	5616
Warm-Ups Since Code Clearing	
Pin 16 Voltage	14.8

OBD Diagnostic Trouble Codes

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Lic#
TA 26977
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26977
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MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ

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Office of the Mayor
210 Main Street Room 12
Northampton, MA 01060-3199
(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275
mayor@northamptonma.gov

DATE: August 20, 2020

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz

SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please find the attached appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Arts Council

Matthew Vanderslice, 231 Elm St. Rear, Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
To fill a vacancy

Lori Steiner, 18 Ridgewood Terrace, Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Board of Health

Dr. Suzanne Smith, 134 State St., Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Conservation Commission

Kevin Lake, 35 Washington Ave., Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Downtown Business Architecture Committee

Emily Wright, 244 South St., Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
To fill a vacancy

Human Rights Commission

Nural Mohammed, 34 Michelman Ave., Apt. 2, Northampton, MA
Term: July 2020-June 2023
Reappointment

Human Rights Commission *(continued)*

Deidre Cuffee-Gray, 2 Burts Pit Rd., Northampton, MA
Term: August 2020-June 2023
To fill a vacancy

Chelsea Villareal, 23A Lyman Rd. Northampton, MA
Term: August 2020-June 2023
To fill a vacancy

City of Northampton
Application for Appointment to
Boards, Committees and Commissions

Name: Matthew Vanderslice

Address: 231 Elm St. Rear Northampton, MA 01060

Email: mjvanderslice@gmail.com

Home Phone: (570) 238 5788 **Work:** (413) 587 9900 **Cell:** (570) 238 5788

Occupation: Graphic Designer **Years lived in Northampton:** 1.5

Northampton Resident: (Yes) No

Please indicate the Committee(s) you have interest serving on: *(Appointment subject to vacancies)*

Agricultural Commission	**License Commission**
Almoners, Board of	**Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees**
Arts Council ✔	**Parks and Recreation Commission**
Assessors, Board of	**Planning Board**
Central Business Architecture Committee	**Public Shade Tree Commission**
Community Preservation Committee	**Public Works Commission**
Conservation Commission	**Redevelopment Authority**
Council on Aging	**Registrars, Board of**
Disability Commission	**Transportation & Parking Commission**
Energy & Sustainability Commission	**Trust Fund Committee**
Health, Board of	**Youth Commission**
Historical Commission	**Zoning Board of Appeals**
Housing Partnership	
Human Rights Commission	

What skills and experience will you bring to this Committee assignment:
(attach additional sheet or resume if necessary)

As a working artist and local painter, I am dedicated to assisting with creative programs in any way that I am able. From the technical aspects of planning and development, to its promotion and local impact, I can offer my full support and skilled guidance to the Community Arts of Northampton. With experience in mural art, after receiving my BFA in Illustration (MICA, 2013), I've taken part in the immersive opportunity that public art provides. Likewise, I understand the need for discussion and the open expression of ideas within a committee. I hope to benefit this council with open ears and thoughtful insight.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any City committee: ✔ **No** _____ **Yes***

*(*If yes please state what committee)* _____

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree:
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SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** 7/9/2020

Please Return Form To: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or
David J. Narkewicz, Mayor, 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

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First Name*	Last Name*	Title, if applicable
Lori	Steiner	

Address1*

18 Ridgewood Terrace

Address2

City*
Northampton

State*
MA

Zip*
01060

Home Phone

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Occupation & Place of Employment
retired

Email
loretta.steiner49@gmail.com

Are you a Northampton resident?
- ✓ Yes
- No

Years Lived in Northampton
33

Age
This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

- Under 29
- 30 - 39
- 40 - 49
- 50 - 59
- 60 - 69
- 70 plus

Sex
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- Male
- Female
- Non-Binary

Racial / Ethnic Background

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Assessors, Board of

Central Business Architecture Committee

Community Preservation Committee

Conservation Commission

Council on Aging

Disability Commission

Energy & Sustainability Commission

Health, Board of

Historical Commission

Housing Partnership

Human Rights Commission

Board of Trustees

Parks and Recreation Commission

Planning Board

Public Shade Tree Commission

Redevelopment Authority

Registrars, Board of

Special Charter Review Committee (Ch. 9 of the Code of Ordinances)

Transportation & Parking Commission

Trust Fund Committee

Whiting Street Fund Committee

Youth Commission

Zoning Board of Appeals

Please list "other" board or committee of interest

already serving on Arts Council, possibly Council on Aging

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?*

organization, event coordination, hanging exhibits
Long time committed Northampton resident.
Have had 2 businesses here -
Arts related background

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No

Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on

Arts Council would like to continue

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Signature*

Lori Steiner

Date*

mm/dd/yyyy 7/14/20

Receive an email copy of this form.

Email address

lorella.steiner49@gmail.com

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Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

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City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Suzanne
Last Name	Smith
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	134 State Street
Address2	.
City	Northampton
State	Massachusetts
Zip	01060
Home Phone	4133201563
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	*Field not completed.*
Occupation & Place of Employment	Physician. CleanSlate Centers-Greenfield
Email	smitparr@comcast.net
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	15
Age	70 plus

Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	*Field not completed.*
Boards and Committees	Health, Board of
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	Current Board member .
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Northampton

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Signature	Suzanne M. Smith, MD, MPH
Date	7/8/2020

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noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com> Mon, Jul 13, 2020 at 12:32 PM
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First Name	Kevin
Last Name	Lake
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	35 Washington Ave
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413-320-2336
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	413-320-2337
Occupation & Place of Employment	Retired
Email	Kevin.L.Lake@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	40+
Age	70 plus

Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	White
Boards and Committees	Conservation Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	Current Chair ConsComm
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Economic Development

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Signature	Kevin Lake
Date	7/13/2020

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noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com> Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 9:30 AM
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First Name	Emily
Last Name	Wright
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	244 South Street
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	4139234810
Work Phone	4132782383
Cell Phone	*Field not completed.*
Occupation & Place of Employment	Landscape Architect, WOLA, LLC
Email	ewright@wo-la.net
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	11
Age	30 - 39

Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	white
Boards and Committees	Central Business Architecture Committee
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	I am a licensed landscape architect with over 9 years of experience designing urban plazas, streetscapes, and bike and pedestrian friendly spaces. I hope to use my experience to ensure that changes to Northampton's downtown support the historical character, add to the pedestrian experience, and help to create sustainable streetscapes that benefit the businesses, residents, and visitors to downtown.
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	No
Please list other city committees you have served on	*Field not completed.*

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Signature	Emily Wright
Date	6/25/2020

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First Name	Nural
Last Name	Mohammed
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	34 Michelman Ave Apt #2
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	4132106401
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	4132106401
Occupation & Place of Employment	Center for Human Development at 160 High St in Springfield MA
Email	nural.mohammed@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	18
Age	Under 29

Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	Middle Eastern
Boards and Committees	Human Rights Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	As a Middle Eastern immigrant who is also significantly younger in age my background is certainly unique to the committee and allows me to present a lens that otherwise might not be represented on the committee.
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Human Rights Commission

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Signature	Nural Mohammed
Date	7/23/2020

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Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

Name: Deidre Cuffee-Gray

Address: 2 Burts Pit Rd Northampton, MA 01060

Email: deidrecuffeegraye@gmail.com

Home Phone: N/A Work: Cell: 413 834.2909

Occupation: Educator Years lived in Northampton: 12

Northampton Resident: (Yes) No

Please indicate the Committee(s) you have interest serving on: *(Appointment subject to vacancies)*

Agricultural Commission	License Commission
Almoners, Board of	Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees
Arts Council	Parks and Recreation Commission
Assessors, Board of	Planning Board
Central Business Architecture Committee	Public Shade Tree Commission
Community Preservation Committee	Public Works Commission
Conservation Commission	Redevelopment Authority
Council on Aging	Registrars, Board of
Disability Commission	Transportation & Parking Commission
Energy & Sustainability Commission	Trust Fund Committee
Health, Board of	Youth Commission
Historical Commission	Zoning Board of Appeals
Housing Partnership	
Human Rights Commission ✓	

What skills and experience will you bring to this Committee assignment:
(attach additional sheet or resume if necessary)

Collaborative skills, Experience as an anti-bias trainer in schools, courageous conversation facilitator, ability to listen in a meaningful way, ability to articulate ideas within a heterogenous group, personal experience as a Black, queer community member.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any City committee: ✓ **No** _____ **Yes***
*(*If yes please state what committee)* _____

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SIGNATURE _____ **DATE** 6/29/2020

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OPTIONAL INFORMATION

This information will be used for diversity purposes only.
Complete it only if you wish to do so.

Age:

Under 29___ 30-39___ 40-49___ 50-59 ✓ 60-69___ 70 plus___

Sex: M___ F ✓ Non-Binary___ Racial/Ethnic Background Black/Naire

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Deidre Cuffee-Gray
2 Burts Pit Road
Northampton, MA 01060
413 834-2909
deidrecuffeegray@gmail.com

Professional Experience

Amherst Regional High School
2019 - Present
College and Career Advisor
Design and implement all aspects of college and career programming. Design and facilitate student programming with the school's Advisory Committee and administrators. Ensure that all juniors and seniors have access to college and career support with a lens of social justice and access. Collaborate to ensure relevant and far reaching college and career programming for parents and guardians. Member of the guidance and counseling team.

The Springfield Renaissance School, Springfield, MA
2008–2019
Department Co-Chair of Guidance and Counseling; College Bound Counselor
Oversee all aspects of the Guidance and Counseling Office for a grades 6–12 public school with a 100% college-bound mission for all graduates. Designed a career- and college-bound curriculum for all students starting in sixth grade. Member of the administrative team—ensure communication between counselors and administrative team and continuity of services and programing. Collaborate with grade level, Special Education, 504, attendance, school leadership, and annual school workplan teams. As a national leader within the EL Education school network, I offer workshops to support administrators and counselors nationally and internationally with similar college-bound missions.

Springfield College, Springfield, MA
2014–2016
Adjunct Instructor of the Course: "Counseling the College Bound Student"
Designed and taught this graduate level course for pre-service and current school counselors. The course is focused on creating college going culture within schools, college planning theories, college readiness, college planning curriculum, college access for underrepresented students, and affordability.

Brattleboro Union High School, Brattleboro, VT
August 2007–June 2008
Director of Counseling and Health Services
Developed and facilitated organizational management plan for Counseling and Health Services department. Facilitated the process of aligning current department practice with VT Frameworks and comprehensive national counseling model. Collaborated on IEP, 504 Plan, and alternative placements for students. Counselor to grades 9–12 students—developed academic and career plans, provided responsive services, collaborated with students, faculty, administrators and families to assist students in maximizing their academic experiences.

UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA
August 2004–August 2007
Office of Community Service Learning Office and Events Coordinator (Graduate Assistant)
Trained and supervised seven undergraduate employees. Designed and implemented semester-long practicum for undergraduates focused on organizational management and community service learning. Planned and executed four major events focused on educating and engaging UMass Amherst in community service learning.

Northampton High School, Northampton, MA
August 2006–May 2007
Counseling Intern
Assisted with college counseling process for high school seniors and their families. Conducted career curriculum and four-year course selection planning with ninth-graders. Initiated and gathered data for Ninth-Grade Transition research project in collaboration with Smith College to determine effective summer and/or study skills programs for middle school students considered "at-risk."

Brattleboro Union High School, Brattleboro, VT
January 2006–June 2006
School Counselor (interim; leave replacement)
Conducted individual counseling, group counseling, IEP and 504 management facilitation, faculty collaboration, student and faculty mediation, and student scheduling. Co-facilitated stress-management group and peer health-educator group. Co-organized and designed curriculum for bi-weekly students of color group. Designed and conducted both a career and decision-making curriculum for students.

Anti-Defamation League, Boston, MA
July 2005–2011
Anti-Bias Trainer
Trained student peer leaders in elements of anti-bias work in 40-hour "train-the-trainer" sessions with the objective that the peer trainers will be able to recognize and address issues of bias in their schools. Planned and implemented 16-hour faculty/staff trainings with the objective that faculty and staff will become active participants in improving the climate in their schools.

Boys and Girls Club of Brattleboro, Brattleboro, VT
October 2003–June 2004
School Liaison Director
Acted as liaison for club members and their families with local middle and high school faculty and administrators. Developed and implemented after school programming focused on academic skill building and community service for both middle and high school students. Designed programming for day-long "Diversity Day" for entire high school.

Little Red Elisabeth Irwin School, New York, NY
September 2000–June 2003
American Studies Teacher and Advisor
Designed and taught eighth-grade American Studies and English course. Advised 19 eighth-graders regarding academic life and social issues. Coordinator of middle school sports program and coach.

Audre Lorde Project, Brooklyn, NY
September 2001–August 2003
Co-Facilitator
Designed and implemented curriculum designed to promote health, wellness, and political activism within the gay and lesbian community of color. Co-facilitated discussion group, which met on the weekends.

Watkinson School, Hartford, CT
July 1999–June 2000
Middle School History Teacher and Advisor
Responsible for designing and implementing curriculum for eighth-grade American Studies and seventh-grade World Geography courses using school's objectives for education and learning. Advisor and coach.

Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN), New York, NY
July 1996–May 1999
Assistant Director of Field Services
Implemented all aspects of strategic field plan. Provided organizational management training and programming assistance to the leaders of over 80 chapters. Designed and implemented annual accreditation process for chapters. Designed and managed intern outreach program and coordinated hiring.

Ethical Culture Fieldston Schools, Bronx, NY
September 1993–June 1996
Assistant Director of Admissions
Responsible for admissions office operations grades 7-12. Coordinated the entire admissions process for prospective families, faculty interviewers, student tour guides, and the Admissions Committee.

Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford, CT
August 1992–June 1993
Associate Director of Admissions
Interviewed and maintained database of prospective applicants. Recruited in the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States. Coordinated "Parent and Alumni Network" whereby students were interviewed in their local communities. Organized and oversaw the school's first Open House geared towards recruiting prospective day students.

Hopkins School, New Haven, CT
October 1987–July 1992
Assistant Director of Admissions; Teacher
Assisted in the management of day-to-day admissions tasks. Oversaw test administration and evaluation. Developed and implemented student of color recruitment strategy in the local community. Taught World studies program and United States History to middle and high school students. Planned seminars aimed at further sensitizing students and faculty on the concerns of underrepresented groups. Tutor, student advisor, and coach.

Education

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA **May 2007**
Master of Education/CAGS; Certification: School Counseling

Bread Loaf School of English, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT **August 2006**
Master of Arts; Concentration: English

Saint Lawrence University, Canton, NY **May 1986**
Bachelor of Arts; Major: Economics and Government

Awards

2013 Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching Award

2011 New England National Association for College Admissions Counseling Margaret Addis Memorial Award

2009 Fund for Teachers Fellow: Researched and visited colleges with high matriculation rates for underrepresented students.

2019 The Neighborhood Project Education Fellow

Presentations

EL Education National Conference Master Class Presenter

- 2013 Creating College Bound Structure for Underrepresented Students
- 2014 Creating a Positive School Culture Through Crew
- 2015 College Readiness Curriculum Through Crew
- 2016 Using Crew as a Structure to Avoid Undermatching in College Planning

Massachusetts School Counselors Association Spring Conference

- 2016 Reaching Higher—Building a Successful College Bound Culture in an Urban School

iOn The Future: Into the Deep Conference, New South Wales, Australia

- 2018 The Art of Circling Up: Building a Positive and Productive School Culture through CREW

Publications

"Just the Normal Stuff" by Deidre Cuffee-Gray. Chapter in the book, *One Teacher in Ten in the New Millennium: LGBT Educators Speak Out about What's Gotten Better…and What Hasn't*, edited by Kevin Jennings, 2015.

"Infusing Career Development to Strengthen English Language Arts Middle School Curricula" The Career Development Quarterly, Lapan, et.al. 2015

"The Courage to Be College-Bound" by Deidre Cuffee-Gray and Libby Woodfin. Published in Ed Week, November 6, 2014: https://blogs.edweek.org/edweek/learning_deeply/2014/11/the_courage_to_be_college-bound.html

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Skills

- College counseling
- Use of student information system software: Power School, Naviance
- Designing college planning programming for underrepresented students and caregivers
- Curriculum design
- Fostering student ownership of the college planning process
- Writing college recommendations
- Career- and college-ready curriculum development and implementation
- Summer Melt programming
- Initiating and maintaining meaningful partnerships with local universities, businesses and community-based organizations
- College Board test & SSD coordinator
- Individual and group counseling
- Creating "To and Through" College Programming for graduates
- Strong communication and collaboration with faculty and administrators
- Organizational management
- Supervision and hiring
- Family engagement
- Facilitator of a train-the-trainer model for student groups (e.g., anti-bullying)
- Event planning
- Public speaking
- Group facilitation
- Mediation
- Grant writing
- Student-driven conference planning
- Faculty trainer—crucial conversations, student talks and cultural sensitivity
- Restorative Justice implementation
- Effective communication with students via social media
- Pre-service education for school counseling students
- School leadership
- Conference facilitator
- Proficiency with computer software: Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite

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First Name	Chelsea
Last Name	Villareal
Title, if applicable	*Field not completed.*
Address1	23A Lyman Rd
Address2	*Field not completed.*
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413-564-9340
Work Phone	*Field not completed.*
Cell Phone	*Field not completed.*
Occupation & Place of Employment	UMass Amherst and Belly of the Beast
Email	Cvillare14@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	5
Age	Under 29

Sex	*Field not completed.*
Racial / Ethnic Background	Mixed race
Boards and Committees	Human Rights Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	*Field not completed.*
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	I am a teacher and an activist who has dedicated my career to fostering inclusive dialogue around social justice issues. I have received training and volunteered as an intercultural dialogue facilitator for a UN-affiliated NGO for the past 8 years. As such, I am well-equipped and eager to engage in thoughtful discussion both with neighbors and residents as well as fellow committee members to ask how we might best identify and advocate for the rights of all individuals in our community. I am wholly dedicated to listening, to amplifying the voices of marginalized groups, and to advocating on behalf of their needs. As a queeer, mixed race woman, I am have a particular stake in advanced the needs of queeer BIPOC in Northampton. As a student and teacher of Arabic, and as someone who has spent 4 years living and working in the Middle East, I also have a vested interest in advocating on behalf of immigrant communities in Northampton as I did in Cambridge MA where I served as the legislative assistant of the Cambridge immigrant advocacy group.
Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
Please list other city committees you have served on	Immigrant Advocacy Group of Cambridge MA (not Northampton)

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Signature	Chelsea Villareal
Date	6/19/2020

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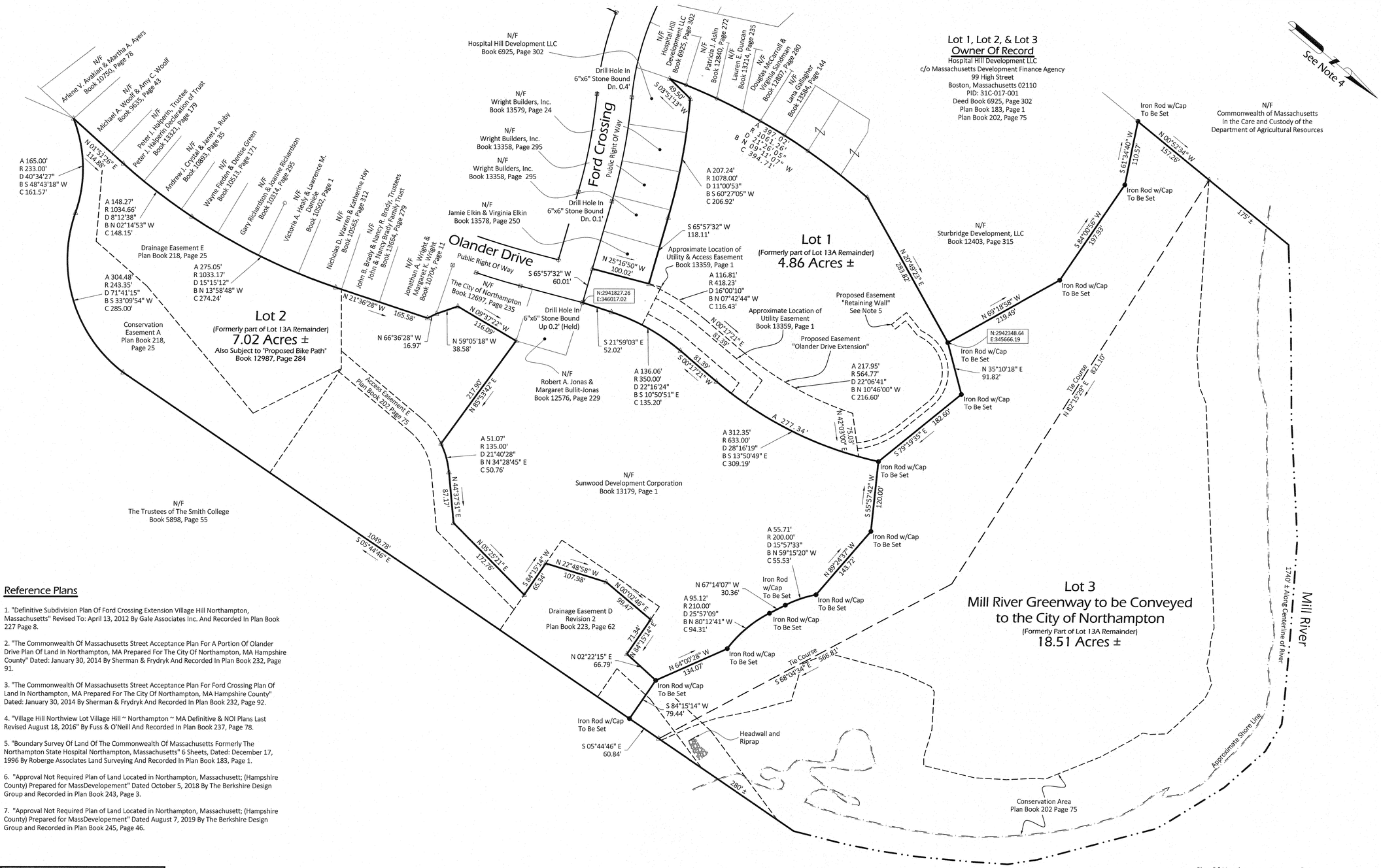


Reference Plans

1. "Definitive Subdivision Plan Of Ford Crossing Extension Village Hill Northampton, Massachusetts" Revised To: April 13, 2012 By Gale Associates Inc. And Recorded In Plan Book 227 Page 8.

2. "The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts Street Acceptance Plan For A Portion Of Olander Drive Plan Of Land In Northampton, MA Prepared For The City Of Northampton, MA Hampshire County" Dated: January 30, 2014 By Sherman & Frydryk And Recorded In Plan Book 232, Page 91.

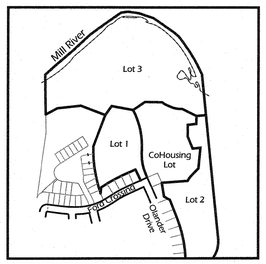
3. "The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts Street Acceptance Plan For Ford Crossing Plan Of Land In Northampton, MA Prepared For The City Of Northampton, MA Hampshire County" Dated: January 30, 2014 By Sherman & Frydryk And Recorded In Plan Book 232, Page 92.

4. "Village Hill Northview Lot Village Hill ~ Northampton ~ MA Definitive & NOI Plans Last Revised August 18, 2016" By Fuss & O'Neill And Recorded In Plan Book 237, Page 78.

5. "Boundary Survey Of Land Of The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts Formerly The Northampton State Hospital Northampton, Massachusetts" 6 Sheets, Dated: December 17, 1996 By Roberge Associates Land Surveying And Recorded In Plan Book 183, Page 1.

6. "Approval Not Required Plan of Land Located in Northampton, Massachusett; (Hampshire County) Prepared for MassDevelopement" Dated October 5, 2018 By The Berkshire Design Group and Recorded in Plan Book 243, Page 3.

7. "Approval Not Required Plan of Land Located in Northampton, Massachusett; (Hampshire County) Prepared for MassDevelopement" Dated August 7, 2019 By The Berkshire Design Group and Recorded in Plan Book 245, Page 46.



LOCUS PLAN - Not To Scale

I Declare That This Survey And Plan Were Prepared In Accordance With The Procedural And Technical Standards For The Practice Of Land Surveying In The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts And That This Plan And Survey Have Been Prepared In Accordance With The Rules And Regulations Of The Registers Of Deeds.

Timothy D. Armstorng, PLS #51619 — Date: 7/22/2020

Graphic Scale

80 0 40 80 160 320

(in feet)
1 inch = 80 feet

Notes

1. The Approval Not Required Survey Depicted Hereon Was Obtained By A Field Survey in March & June 2020 By The Berkshire Design Group, Inc.

2. The Purpose Of This Plan Is To Provide A Plan Illustrating This Surveyors Interpretation Of Constructed Improvements, Natural Features, Observable Monuments, Obtainable Plans And Deeds Of Record, Witness Testimony, And Any Other Plans And Deeds Which May Affect The Locus Property At The Time And Date Of The Field Survey.

3. This Plan Does Not Show Any Unrecorded Or Unwritten Easements Which May Exist. A Reasonable And Diligent Attempt Has Been Made To Observe Any Apparent, Visible Uses Of The Land; However, This Does Not Constitute A Guarantee That No Such Easements Exist.

4. The Basis Of Bearings, Azimuths, And The North Arrow Shown Hereon Is The Massachusetts State Plane Coordinate System (NAD83).

5. Proposed Easement "Retaining Wall" is Located 5' Offset From the Center of the Proposed Wall. See Site Plan for Lot 13A From This Office for Wall Location.

City Of Northampton, Massachusetts
Planning Board Approval Not Required
Under Subdivision Control Laws.

Date: _____

Note: Planning Board's Endorsement Is Not A Determination That The Lots Shown Are Buildable Lots.

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(Hampshire County)

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City of Northampton

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In City Council, August 20, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Planning & Sustainability

20.101 An Order to Accept a Donation of an Easement for Olander Drive Extension

WHEREAS, The City obtained a MassWorks grant to fund the **Olander Drive extension** as a private road to serve the planned Village Hill North Commons affordable housing;

WHEREAS, An easement for **Olander Drive extension** and related infrastructure, utilities and retaining wall will provide the City with the rights, but none of the obligations, of a roadway and ensure city compliance with MassWorks requirements;

WHEREAS, The **Olander Drive extension** easement, and a new donation of 18.51 acres to the City for the **Mill River Greenway** (which was authorized by City Council on 12/3/2009), is shown at the Hampshire Registry, Plan Book 247, Page 66.

Ordered, that

The Mayor is authorized to accept said easement for the Olander Drive extension and associated facilities.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council August 20, 2020

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee

20.103 An Order
To Award Contract for FY2021 ~~– FY2023~~ Audit to Scanlon and Associates

Ordered, that

Whereas, Section 7-6 of the Northampton City Charter requires that the City Council annually award a contract for an outside audit of the books and accounts of the city to be conducted by a certified public accountant or by a firm of certified public accountants, which has no personal interest, direct or indirect, in the fiscal affairs of the city or any of its officers.

Now therefore be it ordered,

That the City Council hereby awards ~~a three-year~~the contract for auditing services for FY2021 ~~to FY2023~~ to Scanlon and Associates, LLC at the prices and rates quoted in the proposal dated August 11, 2020 attached hereto.

Scanlon & Associates
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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August 11, 2020

To the Honorable City Council
City of Northampton
210 Main Street
Northampton, MA 01060

Dear Council Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a proposal for audit services for the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Scanlon and Associates, LLC is independent of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts as defined by professional standards (AICPA) and government auditing standards (yellow book). Scanlon and Associates, LLC has met peer review standards as defined by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). All partners and staff to be assigned to the City's engagement have extensive knowledge and experience of auditing municipalities and have met the continuing education requirements as defined by auditing standards.

We are excited about the opportunity to continue working with the City. We believe our firm provides timely, quality work and excellent service at a reasonable fee and would be of great value to the City. Some of the reasons to select our firm include our experience, our personnel, our process and our commitment to ensure quality work.

A summary of audit fees for fiscal years 2021, and optional years for 2022 and 2023 is as follows:

Fiscal Year	Financial Statement Audit	Single Audits (a)	School End of Year Reports (2) - AUP	Retirement GASB 67/68
2021	$ 46,000	$850/per day	$ 10,000	$ 6,000
(Optional)				
2022	$ 48,000	$850/per day	$ 10,000	$ 6,500
2023	$ 48,000	$850/per day	$ 10,000	$ 6,500

(a) The fee amount is based on a billing amount of $850 per day for days spent on auditing major programs. Historically Northampton has averaged between 8 – 12 days related to major programs for the single audit. Covid-19 may have an impact on increasing the number of days related to single audit.

The increase from fiscal year 2020 fees are mainly due to new GASB's, increased reporting requirements, increased programs/activities within the City and increased audit requirements.

We appreciate this opportunity to continue to be service to you. If you have any questions, please contact us immediately.

Sincerely,

Scanlon and Associates, LLC

Thomas J. Scanlon Jr., CPA
Scanlon and Associates, LLC

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council August 20, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.104 An Order to Reprogram Surplus from CS Security Upgrade to CS Elevator Roof Project

Ordered, that

$25,000 of surplus funds remaining in the Central Services Security Upgrade Collector's Office Project (19303-586212), be reprogrammed to the Central Services Municipal Building Elevator Roof Project (193030-585501) to be added to the original appropriation of $40,000 to the provide additional funds necessary meet the recent lowest bid received for the repairs.

City of Northampton

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In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.091 An Order to Accept Gift of Labor and Materials to Repair Grave of George Hodestia

Whereas, Historic Gravestone Services of 113 Michael Lane, New Salem, MA, wishes to provide labor and materials to repair the deteriorated gravestone of George Hodestia, formerly enslaved citizen and Florence resident, in Park Street Cemetery,

Ordered that,

The Northampton City Council gratefully accepts the donation of labor and materials, valued at $500, as a gift to the City of Northampton to be used for the restoration of the gravestone of George Hodestia in the Park Street Cemetery, in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure).

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.092 An Order to Accept Gift of Plaque for Grave of Basil Dorsey

Whereas,

Basil C. Dorsey was born enslaved in 1811, took his freedom on the Underground Railroad in 1833 and lived in Florence, MA from 1844 until his death in 1872 when he was buried in the Park Street Cemetery in Northampton;

Ordered, that

The Northampton City Council gratefully accepts the donation of a plaque to be placed at his grave, valued at $1,000, and donated by Bambi Miller, as a gift to the City of Northampton, in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure).

City of Northampton

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In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.093 An to Accept $3,000 Gift from Ruggles Center for Park Street Cemetery Gravestone Repairs

Whereas,

The David Ruggles Center, a project of the Committee for Northampton, Inc., would like to provide funding for repair work, materials and professional oversight of repairs for the deteriorated gravestones of Basil Dorsey, Laura Washington, Louisa Dorsey, Nancy Jones and Charles & Gertrude Burleigh in the Park Street Cemetery,

Ordered that,

The Northampton City Council gratefully appropriates the donation of the $3,000 gift to the City of Northampton to be used toward the repair work, materials and professional oversight of repairs for these five gravestones in the Park Street Cemetery, in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure).

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council July 9, 2020

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

20.094 An Order to Accept Gift up to $100,000 to Replace Fencing at Bridge Street Cemetery

Whereas, in 2016, a Preservation Master Plan was created for the Bridge Street Cemetery, and a recommendation within this plan was the phased replacement of the Cemetery border fence as described on pages 25-27, and an anonymous donor wishes to provide necessary funding for Phase 1 of this fence replacement above and beyond the city's appropriation of $25,000 for cemetery improvements in FY2021;

Ordered that,

The Northampton City Council gratefully appropriates the donation of a gift to the City of Northampton of funds up to $100,000 to be used toward the replacement of approximately 880 linear feet of fence at the Bridge Street Cemetery, to include two gates, in accordance with the recommendations within the Preservation Master Plan for the Bridge Street Cemetery and with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53 A (Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure).

City of Northampton

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In City Council, August 20, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and Planning & Sustainability

20.102 AN ORDER ADOPTING THE CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton established a Committee to update the City's local Hazard Mitigation plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton participated in the update of the City of Northampton's local Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton 2020 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update contains several potential future projects to mitigate potential impacts from natural hazards in the City of Northampton, and

WHEREAS, a duly-noticed public meeting was held by the City's local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Committee on June 22, 2020 for the public and municipality to review prior to consideration of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton authorizes responsible departments and/or agencies to execute their responsibilities demonstrated in the plan,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That the City of Northampton City Council formally approves and adopts the City of Northampton Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 40.