



CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

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- Marianne L. LaBarge, Ward 6
- Rachel Maiore, Ward 7

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

The October 7, 2021 City Council meeting will be held by 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 7p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CALLING IN OR JOINING THE MEETING

Join the meeting: <https://bit.ly/3onFU5w>

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PARTICIPANT #: #

PASSCODE: 798540

1. Announcement that Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded

This meeting is being audio and video recorded.

2. Public Comment

3. Roll Call

4. Public Hearings

A. Announcement of Public Hearing on application to amend License for Storage of Flammables and Combustibles for two (2) underground storage tanks (1-24,000 gallons gasoline and 1-12,000 gallons diesel) at 506 Pleasant Street, Northampton, MA

The City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 7:05 p.m. by remote participation. Instructions for accessing the hearing may be found on the October 21, 2021 City Council agenda to be posted on the city website (www.northamptonma.gov) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon. The City Council meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Documents:

[21.328 Application to Amend License for Storage of Flammables and Combustibles at 506 Pleasant Street.pdf](#)

5. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

8. Resolutions

A. 21.340 A Resolution in Support of the Fairness to Farmworkers Act - 1st reading

[21.340 Resolution in Support of the Fairness to Farmworkers Act](#)

9. Presentations

A. Reprecincting Update

Presentation by City Clerk Pamela Powers and City GIS Coordinator James Thompson

Documents:

[Redistricting Draft.pdf](#)
[Reprecincting Map.pdf](#)
[Reprecincting statistics_v03.pdf](#)

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of September 22, 2021

B. 21.324 Appointment of Pamela Powers as City Clerk, positive recommendation, City Services - 10/4/2021

Documents:

[21.324 Appointment of Pamela Powers as City Clerk.pdf](#)

C. 21.327 Appointment to Council on Aging, positive recommendation, City Services Committee - 10/4/2021 Council on Aging

Carolyn Sandel, 132 Chesterfield Road, Leeds
Term: October 2021 - June 2024
To fill a vacancy

Documents:

[21.327 Appointment to Council on Aging.pdf](#)

D. 21.341 Appointment to the Arts Council - for referral to City Services Arts Council

Mi Belitsky, 20 Lasell Avenue, Northampton
Term: October 2021 - June 2024
To fill a vacancy

Documents:

[21.341 Appointment to the Arts Council.pdf](#)

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

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

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

A. **21.329 An Order Authorizing Gift Acceptance and Expenditure on AOM Restroom Expansion and Renovation - 1st reading**

Documents:

[21.329 An Order Authorizing Gift Acceptance and Expenditure on AOM Restroom Expansion and Renovation.pdf](#)

B. **21.330 An Order to Authorize Payment of Prior Year Bills to AMERESCO - 1st reading**

Documents:

[21.330 An Order to Authorize Payment of Prior Year Bills to AMERESCO.pdf](#)

C. **21.332 An Order to Appropriate FY2022 CPA Funds for Community Preservation Purposes - 1st reading**

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested to allow the city to set the tax rate.

Documents:

[21.332 An Order to Appropriate FY2022 CPA Funds for Community Preservation Purposes.pdf](#)

D. **21.333 An Order to Appropriate \$15,000 in CPA Funds to Hampshire and Hampden Canal Historical Documentation Project - 1st reading**

Documents:

[21.333 An Order to Appropriate 15,000 in CPA Funds to Hampshire and Hampden Canal Historical Documentation Project.pdf](#)

E. **21.334 An Order to Reprogram Funds for NPS Early Childhood Program Lease - 1st reading**

Process note: The lease begins November 1st, so two readings are respectfully requested to allow the contract to be signed and the program to move into the new location in a timely manner.

Documents:

[21.334 An Order to Reprogram Funds for NPS Early Childhood Program Lease.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 21.320 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/22/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 9/22/2021

Documents:

[21.320 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days.pdf](#)

B. 21.321 An Order Authorizing the Lease of Rooftop Space on Bridge Street, Leeds and Ryan Road Elementary Schools for Solar PV Arrays - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/22/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 9/22/2021

Documents:

[21.321 An Order Authorizing the Lease of Rooftop Space on Bridge Street, Leeds and Ryan Road Elementary Schools for Solar PV Arrays.pdf](#)
[21.321 Bridge St Specs.pdf](#)
[21.321 Leeds Specs.pdf](#)
[21.321 Ryan Road Specs.pdf](#)

C. 21.323 An Order to Acquire, Surplus and Dispose of a Certain Property Located at 33 King Street - 2nd reading

History:

- Request made to Office of Planning and Sustainability (OPS) for additional language committing to giving City Council a role in determining uses for property going forward - 9/22/2021
- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee 3:0 with Councilor Thorpe recused - 9/22/2021
- Passed 1st reading 8:0 with Councilor Thorpe recused - 9/22/2021

Documents:

[21.323 An Order to Acquire, Surplus and Dispose of a Certain Property Located at 33 King Street - POST1st_rdg.pdf](#)

D. 21.326 An Order Adding Parcel on Mt Tom Road and Dike Road to CT River Greenway-Historic Mill River - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 9/22/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 9/22/2021

Documents:

[21.326 An Order Adding Parcel on Mt Tom Road and Dike Road to CT River Greenway-Historic Mill River.pdf](#)
[21.326 Dike Road Locus Map.pdf](#)

14. Orders

A. 21.331 Warrant for the November 2, 2021 Biennial Municipal Election - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.331 Warrant for the November 2, 2021 Biennial Municipal Election.pdf](#)

15. Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

Rule 5.2.3 provides that no ordinance shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Legislative Matters.

A. 21.335 An Ordinance Relative to Stop Signs on Evergreen Road and Chestnut Avenue

Documents:

[21.335 An Ordinance Relative to Stop Signs on Evergreen Road and Chestnut Avenue.pdf](#)

B. 21.336 An Ordinance Relative to Off-Street Handicapped Parking Spaces

Documents:

[21.336 An Ordinance Relative to Off-Street Handicapped Parking Spaces.pdf](#)

C. 21.337 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street

Process note: Councilor Foster made the request to TPC to change the word "handicapped" to "accessible" in the heading of SECTION 3 - **Section 312-17**

Schedule XVI: On Street and Off-Street ~~Handicapped~~ Accessible Parking Spaces. The Transportation and Parking Commission felt it did not have the ability to alter this language because it would not be consistent with the wording elsewhere in the City. According to Cyndi Quinn, the TPC is in favor of the change if the Council would like to vote to make this change.

Documents:

[21.337 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Main Street.pdf](#)

D. 21.338 An Ordinance Relative to a Stop Sign on Cross Path Road

Documents:

[21.338 An Ordinance Relative to a Stop Sign on Cross Path Road.pdf](#)

16. Zoning Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

Process Note: M.G.L. Chapter 40A, Section 5 requires the City Council to submit zoning ordinances to the Planning Board for review within 14 days of receipt and for the Planning Board and City Council or a committee designated for that purpose to hold public hearings thereon, together or separately, prior to adoption.

A. 21.339 An Ordinance to Allow Beverage Service and Entertainment at Farm Stands Under Certain Circumstances

Documents:

[21.339 An Ordinance to Allow Beverage Service and Entertainment at Farm Stands Under Certain Circumstances.pdf](#)

17. Ordinances

A. 21.325 An Ordinance Relative to Compensation for Elected Officials - 1st reading

History:

- referred to Legislative Matters (LM) - 9/22/2021
- positive recommendation, LM - 10/4/2021

Documents:

[21.325 An Ordinance Relative to Compensation for Elected Officials.pdf](#)

18. Zoning Ordinances

A. 21.313 An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map, §350-3.4, at Chapel Street - 1st reading

History:

- Referred to Community Resources (CR), Legislative Matters (LM) and Planning Board (PB)- 8/19/2021
- Positive recommendation, CR - 9/20/2021
- Joint LM/PB public hearing held - 10/4/2021
- Positive recommendation, PB - 10/4/2021
- Positive recommendation, LM - 10/4/2021

Documents:

[21.313 An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map, Section 350-3.4, at Chapel Street.pdf](#)

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

20. New Business

21. Adjourn

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