



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: November 4, 2021
Meeting Time: 7 p.m.

The November 4, 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/3GBbljG>

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PARTICIPANT #: #

PASSCODE: 773656

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. Tax Classification Hearing

Per M.G.L. Ch. 40, Section 56, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 7:05 p.m. by remote participation to discuss the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property within the City of Northampton for FY2022. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[21.350 Tax Classification Hearing Presentation.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

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of October 21, 2021

B. 21.341 Appointment to the Arts Council, positive recommendation, City Services Committee - 11/1/2021
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. 21.350 An Order to Establish a Tax Classification for FY2022 - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.350 An Order to Establish a Tax Classification for FY2022.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 21.342 An Order to Appropriate Senior Center Gift Fund Money to Financial Aid Fund - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/21/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 10/21/2021

Documents:

[21.342 An Order to Appropriate Senior Center Gift Fund Money for Financial Aid Fund.pdf](#)

B. 21.343 An Order to Surplus City Land for Affordable Housing and a Community Resilience Hub off Crafts Avenue - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/21/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 10/21/2021

Documents:

14. Orders

A. 21.351 An Order for District Heating and Microgrids - 1st reading

Documents:

[21.351 An Order for District Heating and Microgrids.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. 21.349 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Meadow Street

Documents:

[21.349 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Meadow Street.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.

17. Ordinances

A. 21.345 An Ordinance to Delete Ward and Precinct Boundaries from Code Book and Maintain by Council Order - 2nd reading

History:

- referral to Legislative Matters (LM) waived - 10/7/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 10/21/2021

Documents:

[21.345 An Ordinance to Delete Ward and Precinct Boundaries from Code Book and Maintain by Council Order.pdf](#)

18. Zoning Ordinances

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

20. New Business

21. Adjourn

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