



CITY COUNCIL  
**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON**  
MASSACHUSETTS

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- Alex Jarrett, Ward 5
- Marianne L. LaBarge, Ward 6
- Rachel Maiore, Ward 7

**Meeting Agenda**  
**On-line Video Conference**  
**Meeting Date: December 16, 2021**  
**Meeting Time: 7 p.m.**

The December 16, 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**

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PASSCODE: 163968

**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. 7:05 pm Public Hearing on 21.347 and 21.348 National Grid/Verizon Pole Petition for One (1) Jointly-owned (JO) Pole on Cross Path Road and National Grid petition to install 330 feet of underground conduit and two heavy-duty handholes on Cross Path Road (Petition #30408955)**

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 7:05 p.m.** on National Grid/Verizon New England's petition to install one jointly-owned (JO) pole on Cross Path Road and National Grid's petition to install 330 feet of underground conduit leading to the pole and two heavy-duty handholes on Cross Path Road (Petition #30408955). The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[21.347 National Grid-Verizon Joint Pole Petition for Cross Path Road \(Petition No. 30408955\).pdf](#)

[21.348 National Grid Petition to Install Underground Conduit on Old Ferry Road \(Petition No. 30408955\).pdf](#)

[21.347 and 21.348 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

**5. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs**

**6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors**

**7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor**

**8. Resolutions**

## 9. Presentations

## 10. Consent Agenda

### A. Minutes of December 2, 2021

Documents:

[12-02-2021\\_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

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

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

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

### A. 21.375 An Order Authorizing a Five-Year Contract for Connecticut River Channel Marking - 1st reading

Process note: Two readings are respectfully requested to complete the transaction within the 2020-2021 council session.

Documents:

[21.375 An Order Authorizing a Five-Year Contract for Connecticut River Channel Marking.pdf](#)

## 13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

### A. 21.357 An Order to Authorize the Conservation Commission to Acquire a Conservation Restriction on North Farms Road - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.357 An Order to Authorize the Conservation Commission to Acquire a Conservation Restriction on North Farms Road.pdf](#)

### B. 21.358 An Order to Appropriate \$3,000 in CPA Funds to Lathrop Communities for Continued Invasive Species Removal - 2nd reading

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.358 An Order to Appropriate 3,000 in CPA Funds to Lathrop Communities for Continued Invasive Species Removal.pdf](#)

**C. 21.359 An Order to Appropriate \$31,922 in CPA Funds to Historic Northampton for Shepherd Barn Artifacts Project - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/16/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.359 An Order to Appropriate 31,922 in CPA Funds to Historic Northampton for Shepherd Barn Artifacts Project.pdf](#)

**D. 21.360 An Order to Appropriate \$20,000 in CPA Funds for Farmland Rehabilitation at the Community Farm and Garden - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.360 An Order to Appropriate 20,000 in CPA Funds for Farmland Rehabilitation at the Community Farm and Garden.pdf](#)

**E. 21.361 An Order to Appropriate \$100,000 in CPA Funds to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail Project - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/02/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/02/2021

Documents:

[21.361 An Order to Appropriate 100,000 in CPA Funds to the Rocky Hill Accessible Trail Project.pdf](#)

**F. 21.362 An Order to Appropriate \$230,100 in CPA Funds to Valley CDC for a Mortgage Subsidy Program - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.362 An Order to Appropriate 230,100 in CPA Funds to Valley CDC for a Mortgage Subsidy Program.pdf](#)

**G. 21.365 An Order to Appropriate \$608,000 in CPA Funds to Independent Housing Solutions for Housing the Disabled Homeless Project - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.365 An Order to Appropriate 608,000 in CPA Funds to Independent Housing Solutions for Housing the Disabled Homeless Project.pdf](#)

**H. 21.366 An Order to Appropriate \$13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.366 An Order to Appropriate 13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment.pdf](#)

**I. 21.367 An Order to Appropriate \$70,000 in CPA Funds to OPS for Ct. River Greenway Water Access Project - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading (Councilor Foster recused) - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.366 An Order to Appropriate 13,000 in CPA Funds to Northampton Parks and Rec for Pickleball Feasibility Assessment.pdf](#)

**J. 21.368 An Order to Appropriate \$82,900 in CPA Funds to Michelson Galleries for 132 Main Street Facade Project - 2nd**

## **reading**

### **History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.368 An Order to Appropriate 82,900 in CPA Funds to Michelson Galleries for 132 Main Street Facade Project.pdf](#)

## **K. 21.369 An Order to Appropriate \$233,400 in CPA Funds to OPS and Conservation Commission for Priority Property Acquisitions - 2nd reading**

### **History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.369 An Order to Appropriate 233,400 in CPA Funds to OPS and Conservation Commission for Priority Property Acquisitions.pdf](#)

## **L. 21.372 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Northerly Side of Westhampton Road - 2nd reading**

### **History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.372 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of a Parcel of Land on the Northerly Side of Westhampton Road.pdf](#)

[21.372 Order of Taking.pdf](#)

[21.372 Survey of Land Now or Formerly of Luman E. Bartlett.pdf](#)

## **M. 21.373 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash and Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Various Capital Projects - 2nd reading**

### **History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.373 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash and Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to Various Capital Projects.pdf](#)

**N. 21.374 An Order to Accept \$21.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Funds - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.374 An Order to Accept 21.7 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Funds.pdf](#)

**14. Orders**

**A. 21.370 An Order to Amend the Council Rules - single reading only required**

**History:**

- Tabled to 12/16/2021 - 12/2/2021
- Amendments submitted by Councilor Maiore and Councilor Jarrett - 12/10/2021

Documents:

[21.370 An Order to Amend the Council Rules - POST120221.pdf](#)  
[21.370 An Order to Amend the Council Rules.pdf](#)  
[Amendment to 3.1 SELECTION OF AN OUTSIDE AUDITOR.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**

**A. 21.371 An Ordinance Extending the Effective Date of Section 272-18 to July 1, 2022 - 2nd reading**

**History:**

- Waiver to Referral to Legislative Matters Approved - 12/2/2021
- Passed 1st reading - 12/2/2021

Documents:

[21.371 An Ordinance Extending the Effective Date of Section 272-18 to July 1, 2022.pdf](#)

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

## **Requests**

### **18. New Business**

### **19. Adjourn**

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