



Lowell City Council *Regular Meeting Agenda*

Date: March 21, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA / Zoom (Hybrid)

1. ROLL CALL

2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2.1. Communication Remote / Zoom Participation:

Meetings Will Be Held In Council Chamber With Public Welcome And By Using Remote Participation As Follows: Members Of The Public May View The Meeting Via LTC.Org (On-Line; Live Streaming; Or Local Cable Channel 99). Those Wishing To Speak Regarding A Specific Agenda Item Shall Register To Speak In Advance Of The Meeting By Sending Email To City Clerk Indicating The Agenda Item And A Phone Number To Call So That You May Be Issued Zoom Link To The Meeting. Email Address Is MGEARY@LOWELLMMA.GOV. If No Access To Email You May Contact City Clerk At 978-674-4161. All Request Must Be Done Before 4:00 PM On The Day Of Meeting. For Zoom -

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2.2. Informational - Educational Breakfast - Positive Parenting (Mahoney Family Fund).

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of Neighborhoods SC March 6th; City Council Regular Meeting March 7th; Parks And Recreation SC March 13th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2023 MARCH 6 NEIGHBORHOODS SC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2023 MARCH 7 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2023 MARCH 13 PARKS REC SC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. CITY COUNCIL - EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 4.1. Executive Session - Regarding Matters Of Ongoing Litigation, Public Discussion Of Which Could Have A Detrimental Effect On The City's Position.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

5.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Career Center
- B) Motion Response - HHS - 2019 Report
- C) Motion Response - List of Agencies
- D) Motion Response - Full Service Community Schools
- E) Motion Response - Youth Transportation
- F) Motion Response - Summer Youth Employment
- G) Motion Response - Leaf Removal
- H) Motion Response - Cardinal O'Connell School Sidewalk
- I) Motion Response - Lawrence Street Bridge
- J) Motion Response - Bicentennial Anniversary
- K) Motion Response - Time Clocks
- L) Motion Response - Flag Raising Policy
- M) Motion Response - Downtown Redevelopment
- N) Motion Response - Net Zero
- O) Motion Response - Downtown Commercial Vacancies
- P) Motion Response - HRC Scorecard Response - With Attachments
- Q) Motion Response - Local Government Metric Software
- R) Motion Response - Update on Sale of LeLacheur Park
- S) Motion Response - Love Lock Bridge
- T) Motion Response - Perez - Monument Committee
- U) Motion Response - City Hall Traffic Calming
- V) Motion Response - LHS Project Restroom Parity

Documents:

- [A\) MOTION RESPONSE - CAREER CENTER.PDF](#)
- [B\) MOTION RESPONSE - HHS - 2019 REPORT.PDF](#)
- [C\) MOTION RESPONSE - LIST OF AGENCIES.PDF](#)
- [D\) MOTION RESPONSE - FULL SERVICE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.PDF](#)
- [E\) MOTION RESPONSE - YOUTH TRANSPORTATION.PDF](#)
- [F\) MOTION RESPONSE - SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT.PDF](#)

G) MOTION RESPONSE - LEAF REMOVAL.PDF
H) MOTION RESPONSE - CARDINAL OCONNELL SCHOOL
SIDEWALK.PDF
I) MOTION RESPONSE - LAWRENCE STREET BRIDGE.PDF
J) MOTION RESPONSE - BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY.PDF
K) MOTION RESPONSE - TIME CLOCKS.PDF
L) MOTION RESPONSE - FLAG RAISING POLICY.PDF
M) MOTION RESPONSE - DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT.PDF
N) MOTION RESPONSE - NET ZERO.PDF
O) MOTION RESPONSE - DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL
VACANCIES.PDF
P) MOTION RESPONSE - HRC SCORECARD RESPONSE - WITH
ATTACHMENTS.PDF
Q) MOTION RESPONSE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT METRIC
SOFTWARE.PDF
R) MOTION RESPONSE - UPDATE ON SALE OF LELACHEUR
PARK.PDF
S) MOTION RESPONSE - LOVE LOCK BRIDGE.PDF
T) MOTION RESPONSE - PEREZ - MONUMENT COMMITTEE.PDF
U) MOTION RESPONSE - CITY HALL TRAFFIC CALMING.PDF
V) MOTION RESPONSE - LHS PROJECT RESTROOM
PARITY.PDF

5.2. Informational Reports

Informational Report - ARPA Cultural Fund

Informational Report - Cambodia Town Neighborhood Plan

Informational Report - FY24 Budget Update with Attachments

Documents:

INFORMATIONAL REPORT - ARPA CULTURAL FUND.PDF
INFORMATIONAL REPORT - CAMBODIA TOWN
NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN WITH ATTACHMENT.PDF
INFORMATIONAL REPORT - FY24 BUDGET UPDATE WITH
ATTACHMENTS.PDF

5.3. Communication - Resignation Of Sidney Liang From Community Preservation Committee

Documents:

COMMUNICATION - RESIGNATION OF SIDNEY LIANG FROM
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE.PDF

5.4. Communication - City Manager Request Out Of State Travel (1) LPD And (1) HHS.

Documents:

2023 MARCH 21 OST 1 LPD 1 HHS.PDF

6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- 6.1. Vote - Accept Gift Of Black Joy Sculpture From Kamil Peters And DIY Lowell

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT GIFT OF BLACK JOY SCULPTURE FROM KAMIL PETERS AND DIY LOWELL.PDF](#)

- 6.2. Vote - Accept Proposal And Convey 22 W Fourth St. To Peter D. Marlowe

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT PROPOSAL AND CONVEY 22 W FOURTH ST. TO PETER D. MARLOWE.PDF](#)

- 6.3. Vote - Amend FY2021-2022 Annual Action Plan

Documents:

[VOTE - AMEND FY2021-2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN.PDF](#)

- 6.4. Vote - Accept Gift Of SMART Boards From GLTHS

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT GIFT OF SMART BOARDS FROM GLTHS.PDF](#)

- 6.5. Vote - Approve Amendments To Greater Lowell Vocational Regional School District Agreement

Documents:

[VOTE - APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO GREATER LOWELL VOCATIONAL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AGREEMENT.PDF](#)

- 6.6. Vote - Approve Exemption Of Timothy Coughlin MGL C.268A S.20

Documents:

[VOTE - APPROVE EXEMPTION OF TIMOTHY COUGHLIN MGL C.268A S.20.PDF](#)

- 6.7. Vote - Authorize CM Enter License Agreement With Naturel Juicing, LLC

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE CM ENTER LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH NATUREL JUICING, LLC.PDF](#)

- 6.8. Vote - Transfer \$233,000 - Law

Documents:

[VOTE - TRANSFER 233,000 - LAW.PDF](#)

7. ORDERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

7.1. Order - 60 Day Trial

Documents:

[ORDER - 60 DAY TRIAL.PDF](#)

7.2. Loan Order - MSBA Accelerated Repair To Various School Buildings

Documents:

[LOAN ORDER - MSBA ACCELERATED REPAIR TO VARIOUS SCHOOL BUILDINGS.PDF](#)

8. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

8.1. Ordinance - Amend Zoning Ext TTF Zone - 38 Nelson Ave

Documents:

[ORDINANCE - AMEND ZONING EXT TTF ZONE - 38 NELSON AVE.PDF](#)

9. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

9.1. Parks And Recreation SC March 13, 2023.

9.2. Housing SC Joint With Zoning SC March 21, 2023.

10. PETITIONS

10.1. Claims - (8) Property Damage.

10.2. Misc. - Roger Cunhui Yang For Benefit Of Shaimaa Mhaimed Request Installation Of Handicap Parking Sign At 139 Cumberland Road.

Documents:

[2023 MARCH 14 SHAIMAA MHAIMEED REQ HP SIGN AT 139 CUMBERLAND RD.PDF](#)

11. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

11.1. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Detailed List Of Roads That Will Have Line Striping, Crosswalks Painted And Detailed Work For Pavement Markings During The Upcoming Season (April-November).

11.2. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Report On All Paid Invoices Since MyRec Was Established For Parks And Facilities Rentals; The Group Who Paid The Funds, The Date Of The Rental And The Date Of Payment Of Rentals.

- 11.3. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Report On All Waived Fees For Parks And Facilities Rentals; The Group Who Had The Fees Waived And The Date Of Waived Rental.
- 11.4. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Report To The City Council What Portion On The Street Index Of 1418 To 1765 Middlesex Street Is On The Repaving List.
- 11.5. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Put All City Employee Union Contracts On The City's Website.
- 11.6. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Find Ways And Means To Install A Concrete Sidewalk That Complies With ADA Standards On Fort Hill Avenue At The Corner Of Rogers Street Across From The Moody Grade School For The Safety Of Children And The Elderly Residents At Rogers Hall.
- 11.7. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Provide City Council With A Report Concerning The Number Of Individuals Using City Programs To Aid Residents In Housing/Purchasing Homes In The City; Said Report Should Include Ways The City Can Better Advertise Such Programs.
- 11.8. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Provide City Council With A Report Concerning The Number Of Seniors In The City Using/Utilizing Senior Work Off Program To Pay Off Their Taxes.
- 11.9. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Provide City Council With A Report Concerning Whether Any Grants Exist The City Can Pursue To Support The Creation Of Warming And Cooling Centers In The City To Aid The Homeless Population.
- 11.10.C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Set A Date To Recognize The Victims Of The Covid Pandemic.
- 11.11.C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Update The City Council Regarding The Enforcement Of "No Parking" Twenty Feet From The Corner Throughout The City.
- 11.12.C. Jenness - Req. City Mgr. Have Law Department Provide A Legal Opinion On What Changes May Be Required To City Council Rules And Public Comment Procedures For Other Public Meetings In Light Of The Barron V. Kolenda Decision From The SJC On March 7, 2023.
- 11.13.C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Provide A Line Striping Schedule For Parking Lots In Schools And Parks Throughout City.
- 11.14.C. Rourke - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Look Into The Services Of Such Applications Like Aqua Hawk Or Water Smart To Enhance Residents Water Use.
- 11.15.C. Yem - Req. City Mgr. Look Into Creating A Bicentennial Celebration Commission To Include Lowell Residents, Neighborhood Groups, Business, Non-Profit And Religious Organizations; Local, State And Federal Government Representatives, As Well As, Educational Institutions.
- 11.16.C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Explore The Feasibility Of Subdividing Any Of The Less Attractive Parcels In The HCID.

- 11.17.C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Report On What Types Of Payouts Has The City Realized Over The Past 5 Years In Accrued Benefits To Hourly Mid And Upper Management Members Due To Retirement Or Any Other Termination Of Service Including Names; Dates; Positions And Payout Amounts.
- 11.18.C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Report On The Process Used To Attract Potential Development In The HCID.
- 11.19.C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Provide The Council With An Update On Our 2023 Goals Around Hiring Of Summer Youth Employment Opportunities.
- 11.20.C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Work With The Administration To Establish An Account Dedicated To Maintaining And Repairing Public Art Installations, As Well As, Identifying Funding Mechanisms.
- 11.21.C. Robinson/C. Yem - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Detailed Report Showing Different Pathways To Install A Large Scale, Refrigerated Outdoor Skating Rink, As Well As, Some Suggested, Strategic Location Ideas.
- 11.22.C. Robinson/C. Yem/M. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Work With Mill City Grow And Other Community Stakeholders To Explore The Feasibility Of Developing A Year Round Regional Indoor/Outdoor Farmers, Culinary Market With Food Court And Public Cooking Classroom Space.
- 11.23M. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Review And Update Snow Ban Policy For 2024.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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