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Lowell City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: April 27, 2021

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, Pursuant To Governor Baker's Emergency Order Modifying The State's Open Meeting Law Issued March 12, 2020, Meetings Will Be Held Using Remote Participation As Follows: Members Of The Public May Not Participate In-Person And May View The Meeting Via LTC.ORG (On-Line; Live Streaming Or Local Cable Channel 99) And Zoom

1. ROLL CALL

2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2.1. Communication Remote / Zoom Participation:

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For Zoom - [HTTPS://SUPPORT.ZOOM.US/HC/EN-US/ARTICLES/201362193-JOINING-A-MEETING](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-joining-a-meeting)

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of Economic/Downtown Development SC March 22nd And April 13th; Arts And Culture SC April 13th; City Council Regular Meeting April 13th; City Council Special Meeting (Auditor Interviews) April 20th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2021 MARCH 22 AND APRIL 13 ECO DOWNTOWN DEVEL SC MIN.PDF](#)
[2021 APRIL 13 ARTS CULTURE SC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2021 APRIL 13 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2021 APRIL 20 CC SPECIAL AUD INT MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1. C. Samaras - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Assess The Condition Of The

City Parking Kiosks And To Prepare A Plan For Proper Maintenance. (From 4/13/21)

- 4.2. C. Drinkwater - Req. City Mgr. Provide An Update On The Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Plan And The Feasibility Of Submitting A Proposal For The Current Round Of Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Action Grants To Help The City Of Lowell Become More Climate Resilient Through Climate Change Adaptation Projects. (From 4/13/21)
- 4.3. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Notify The Lowell Delegation Regarding The Support Of The City Council For SD. 1323 And HD. 1986, Raising The Penalty For Shooting Into A Dwelling From A Misdemeanor To A Felony, And Urging Their Success In Becoming Law. (From 4/13/21)
- 4.4. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Contact MassDOT Regarding Remedial Actions Needed To Enhance The Safety At The End Of The Lowell Connector At Gorham Street. (From 4/13/21)
- 4.5. M. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Send Letter To Hannaford Requesting That They Keep Their Rogers Street Pharmacy Department Open And Operating. (From 4/13/21)

5. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 5.1. Order - Abandon Portion Of Canal St. (Continued From April 13, 2021)

Documents:

[ORDER - ABANDON PORTION OF CANAL ST.PDF](#)
[2021 APRIL 13 LEGAL DESC PART DISCONTINUE CANAL ST.PDF](#)

6. UTILITY PUBLIC HEARING

- 6.1. National Grid - Request Reconstruction Of Gas Pressure Regulator Station And Add A SCADA System At The Intersection Of Highland Street And Thorndike Street.

Documents:

[2021 APRIL 13 NATIONAL GRID REPLACE GAS PRESSURE REGULATOR NORTH EAST CORNER OF HIGHLAND ST AND THORNDIKE ST.PDF](#)

7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

- 7.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Fire Department Company Closings
- B) Motion Response - Short-Term Rentals
- C) Motion Response - St. Louis School and Reducing Special Education Costs
- D) Motion Response - Two for Lowell Program
- E) Motion Response - Basketball Hoops at City Parks

Documents:

[A\) MOTION RESPONSE - FIRE DEPARTMENT COMPANY CLOSINGS.PDF](#)
[B\) MOTION RESPONSE - SHORT-TERM RENTALS.PDF](#)
[C\) MOTION RESPONSE - ST. LOUIS SCHOOL AND REDUCING SPECIAL EDUCATION COSTS.PDF](#)
[D\) MOTION RESPONSE - TWO FOR LOWELL PROGRAM.PDF](#)
[E\) MOTION RESPONSE - BASKETBALL HOOPS AT CITY PARKS.PDF](#)

7.2. Informational Reports

- F) Informational - Acre Crossing Presentation
- G) Informational - Cawley Memorial Stadium Update
- H) Informational - Shared Streets Pilot Programs
- I) Informational - LTC Board of Directors Appointment

Documents:

- [G\) INFORMATIONAL - CAWLEY MEMORIAL STADIUM UPDATE.PDF](#)
- [H\) INFORMATIONAL - SHARED STREETS PILOT PROGRAMS.PDF](#)
- [I\) INFORMATIONAL - LTC BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTMENT.PDF](#)

7.3. Communication-Appoint Mark Paton-Election Commission

Documents:

- [2021 APRIL 27 REPLACE COMM APPOINT MARK PATON TO ELECTION COMM.PDF](#)

8. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

8.1. Vote-Accept.Expend 250,000 MassCall3 Grant

Documents:

- [VOTE-ACCEPT.EXPEND 250,000 MASSCALL3 GRANT.PDF](#)

8.2. Vote-Auth CM Execute License Agreement-160 Merrimack St-Overhanging Signs

Documents:

- [VOTE-AUTH CM EXECUTE LICENSE AGREEMENT-160 MERRIMACK ST-OVERHANGING SIGNS.PDF](#)

8.3. Vote-Declare Surplus And Convey To Lupoli Companies LLC

Documents:

- [VOTE-DECLARE SURPLUS AND CONVEY TO LUPOLI COMPANIES LLC.PDF](#)

8.4. Vote-Loan Holbrook Bell To St. Patricks Church

Documents:

- [VOTE-LOAN HOLBROOK BELL TO ST. PATRICKS CHURCH.PDF](#)

8.5. Vote-Transfer 20,000 DPD Fund Transportation Infrastructure Wk In And Around The Lowell Connector

Documents:

- [VOTE-TRANSFER 20,000 DPD FUND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE WK IN AND AROUND THE LOWELL CONNECTOR.PDF](#)

9. RESOLUTIONS

9.1. Resolution-Affirming Inclusion Respect And Justice For All Notably Asian Americans

Documents:

[RESOLUTION-AFFIRMING INCLUSION RESPECT AND JUSTICE FOR ALL NOTABLY ASIAN AMERICANS.PDF](#)

10. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

10.1. Neighborhoods SC April 27, 2021.

11. PETITIONS

11.1. Claims - (1) Property Damage; (1) Personal Injury.

11.2. Misc. - Denise Moses Request Installation Of Handicap Parking Sign In Front Of 183 W. 6th Street. Street.

Documents:

[2021 APRIL 27 DENISE MOSES REQ HP SIGN 183 W 6TH ST.PDF](#)

11.3. National Grid - Request Installation Of 975 Feet Of 12 Inch Plastic Gas Main Along Jackson, Marston, Middlesex, South And Summer Streets.

Documents:

[2021 APRIL 27 NATIONAL GRID TO INSTALL APPROX 975 FT OF 12 INCH PLASTIC GAS MAIN ALONG MARSTON MIDDLESEX AND SOUTH STS.PDF](#)

12. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

12.1. C. Elliott - Req. City Mgr. Have Law Department Prepare Proper Vote To Take By Tax Title The Abandoned Property At 39 Jewett Street.

12.2. C. Elliott - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Report Regarding The Ability To Put Construction Plans On Line For Residents To Review.

12.3. C. Rourke - Req. City Mgr. Contact MassDOT To Request Cleaning Of Center Islands And Areas Behind Guard Rails And Fencing Along VFW Highway From The Rourke Bridge To The Bridge Street Intersection.

13. CITY COUNCIL - EXECUTIVE SESSION

13.1. Executive Session - Regarding Matter Of Litigation, Namely Huot Et Al V. City Of Lowell, Public Discussion Of Which Could Have A Detrimental Effect On The City's Position.

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

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