



Lowell City Council *Regular Meeting Agenda*

Date: June 27, 2023

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

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

2.2. Citations:

- 1) Damarje Williams - Mayor of the Day;
- 2) MassHire Lowell Young Adult Career Center; and
- 3) 100th Anniversary of the Lowell City Golf Tournament.

2.3. Presentation - Catie's Closet (Mickey Cockrell).

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes For Acceptance Technology And Utilities SC June 13th; City Council Regular Meeting June 13th; City Council Special Meeting June 20th (FY24 Budget).

Documents:

[2023 JUNE 13 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2023 JUNE 20 SPEC CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. UTILITY PUBLIC HEARING

- 4.1. Boston Gas D/B/A National Grid Request Installation Of SCADA Box At Intersection Of Bradley And First Streets.
[HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLM.A.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/24300?FILEID=49317](https://www.lowellma.gov/agendacenter/viewfile/item/24300?fileid=49317)
- 4.2. Waveguide (FirstLight Fiber) Request Installation Of Underground Conduit On Appleton Street For Services To Verizon.
[HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLM.A.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/24299?FILEID=49316](https://www.lowellma.gov/agendacenter/viewfile/item/24299?fileid=49316)

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

- 5.1. Motion Responses
- A) Motion Response - ARPA Online Dashboard Update
 - B) Motion Response - Election Schedule
 - C) Motion Response - Streeteries Officer Presence
 - D) Motion Response - VFW Highway
 - E) Motion Response - Western Ave Studios
 - F) Motion Response - Employee CDL Licensure
 - G) Motion Response - Hiring
 - H) Motion Response - DOL Grant
 - I) Motion Response - Lowell Sun Sign
 - J) Motion Response - Ethics Training

Documents:

[A\) MOTION RESPONSE - ARPA ONLINE DASHBOARD UPDATE.PDF](#)
[B\) MOTION RESPONSE - ELECTION SCHEDULE.PDF](#)
[C\) MOTION RESPONSE - STREETERIES OFFICER PRESENCE.PDF](#)
[D\) MOTION RESPONSE - VFW HIGHWAY.PDF](#)
[E\) MOTION RESPONSE - WESTERN AVE STUDIOS.PDF](#)
[F\) MOTION RESPONSE - EMPLOYEE CDL LICENSURE.PDF](#)
[G\) MOTION RESPONSE - HIRING.PDF](#)
[H\) MOTION RESPONSE - DOL GRANT.PDF](#)
[I\) MOTION RESPONSE - LOWELL SUN SIGN.PDF](#)
[J\) MOTION RESPONSE - ETHICS TRAINING.PDF](#)

- 5.2. Informational Report
Informational - Updated School Invoices

Documents:

INFORMATIONAL - UPDATED SCHOOL INVOICES.PDF

5.3. Communication - Reappointment Of John Descoteaux To License Commission

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - REAPPOINTMENT OF JOHN DESCOTEUX TO LICENSE COMMISSION.PDF](#)

5.4. Communication - Reappointment Of Sinead Gallivan To Planning Board

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - REAPPOINTMENT OF SINEAD GALLIVAN TO PLANNING BOARD.PDF](#)

6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

6.1. Vote - Approve The 2024 Community Preservation Fund Budget

Documents:

[VOTE - APPROVE THE 2024 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND BUDGET.PDF](#)

6.2. Vote - Amending Prior Order Approving CPC Recommendation To Fund The Preservation Of Rollie's Farm

Documents:

[VOTE - AMENDING PRIOR ORDER APPROVING CPC RECOMMENDATION TO FUND THE PRESERVATION OF ROLLIES FARM.PDF](#)

6.3. Vote - 635 Middlesex CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - 635 MIDDLESEX CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

6.4. Vote - Girls Inc. CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - GIRLS INC. CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

6.5. Vote - Hadley House CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - HADLEY HOUSE CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

6.6. Vote - St. George's Church CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - ST. GEORGES CHURCH CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

6.7. Vote - O'Donnell Park CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - O'DONNELL PARK CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

6.8. Vote - Apply/Accept/Expend \$155,000 MassDOT Small Bridge Phase I Design Grant

Documents:

[VOTE - APPLY.ACCEPT.EXPEND 155,000 MASSDOT SMALL BRIDGE PHASE I DESIGN GRANT.PDF](#)

6.9. Vote - Apply/Accept/Expend \$2,670,000 One Stop For Growth Grants

Documents:

[VOTE - APPLY.ACCEPT.EXPEND 2,670,000 ONE STOP FOR GROWTH GRANTS.PDF](#)

6.10. Vote - Auth Mgr Ex. 5 Year Contract For LRWWU Engineering Services

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTH MGR EX. 5 YEAR CONTRACT FOR LRWWU ENGINEERING SERVICES.PDF](#)

6.11. Vote - Authorize Payment Of Bills Incurred In Excess Of Appropriations

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS INCURRED IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS.PDF](#)

6.12. Vote - Set FY2024 Revolving Fund Spending Limits

Documents:

[VOTE - SET FY2024 REVOLVING FUND SPENDING LIMITS.PDF](#)

6.13. Vote - Transfer \$115,000 - MIS

Documents:

7. ORDERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

7.1. Order - 60 Day Trial

Documents:

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

8. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

9. PETITIONS

9.1. Claims - (3) Property Damage.

9.2. National Grid/Verizon NE - Request Installation Of Additional Pole On Varnum Avenue, Near Riverside Avenue.

Documents:

[2023 JUNE 27 NATLGRID POLE VARNUM AVE RIVERSIDE.PDF](#)

9.3. National Grid/Verizon NE - Request Installation Of Additional Pole On Varnum Avenue, Near Fowler Road.

Documents:

[2023 JUNE 27 NATLGRID POLE VARNUM FOWLER.PDF](#)

9.4. National Grid - Request Installation Of Underground Conduit Within Morse Street To Improve Electrical Service To The Lowell Housing Authority Property.

Documents:

[2023 JUNE 27 NATLGRID UPGRADE ELECTRIC LHA.PDF](#)

10. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

10.1. C. Yem - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Look Into The Possibility Of Using Existing Canal Waterways To Harness Hydroelectricity.

10.2. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have Human Resources Report On How The Cyber Issue Is Affecting The Hiring Process.

10.3. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Update Engineering Website To List The Most Recent Paving Conditions Index And The 2023 List Of Paving Projects Listed By Streets And Sidewalks.

10.4. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Look Into Offering The School Department Retirees Lifelock.

10.5. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Update The City Council On City-Wide Crosswalk Painting.

- 10.6. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Have The Appropriate Department Work To Develop A Master Plan Around Parking For Back Central; Including Looking At Public Owned Lots And Possible Tax Incentives For Private Property Owners That Provide Parking Spaces.
- 10.7. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Provide An Update On The Tanner Street Redevelopment Plan.
- 10.8. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Work With Appropriate Departments To Develop A City-Wide Litter Educational Campaign.
- 10.9. C. Scott/C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Work With The Appropriate Department To Find A Way To Broadcast Public Meetings Without Technical Difficulties.
- 10.10.C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Update City Council On Sidewalk Repair In District 3.
- 10.11.C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Update City Council On A Scheduled Plan For The Shedd Park Pavilion Repairs.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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