



Lowell City Council *Regular Meeting Agenda*

Date: July 13, 2021

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA / VIA Zoom Link

1. ROLL CALL

2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2.1. Communication Remote / Zoom Participation:

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2.2. Recognition - John Power As An Honorary Citizen Of Lowell.

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of Non-Profit Organizations SC June 22nd; City Council Regular Meeting June 22nd; Zoning SC June 29th; Transportation SC June 29th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2021 JUNE 22 NON PROFIT SC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2021 JUNE 22 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2021 JUNE 29 TRANS SC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. UTILITY PUBLIC HEARING

- 4.1. National Grid - Request Installation Of New Switch Gear And Electric Conduit For Power To New Parking Garage At 171 Jackson Street.

Documents:

[2021 JUNE 22 NATIONAL GRID TO INSTALL NEW SWITCHGEAR CONDUIT 171 JACKSON.PDF](#)

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

5.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - RMV Lowell Service Center
- B) Motion Response - Fire House Extractors
- C) Motion Response - Ouellette Bridge
- D) Motion Response - Highlands Construction Project
- E) Motion Response - FEMA Flood Insurance Changes
- F) Motion Response - Building Permits, ANRs, Single Lodging Houses
- G) Motion Response - Chelmsford Street No Parking Here to Corner
- H) Motion Response - Howard Street No Parking Here to Corner
- I) Motion Response - Rapid Planning Grant
- J) Motion Response - River's Edge

Documents:

- [A\) MOTION RESPONSE - RMV LOWELL SERVICE CENTER.PDF](#)
- [B\) MOTION RESPONSE - FIRE HOUSE EXTRACTORS.PDF](#)
- [C\) MOTION RESPONSE - OUELLETTE BRIDGE.PDF](#)
- [D\) MOTION RESPONSE - HIGHLANDS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.PDF](#)
- [E\) MOTION RESPONSE - FEMA FLOOD INSURANCE CHANGES.PDF](#)
- [F\) MOTION RESPONSE - BUILDING PERMITS, ANRS, SINGLE LODGING HOUSES.PDF](#)
- [G\) MOTION RESPONSE - CHELMSFORD STREET NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER.PDF](#)
- [H\) MOTION RESPONSE - HOWARD STREET NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER.PDF](#)
- [I\) MOTION RESPONSE - RAPID PLANNING GRANT.PDF](#)
- [J\) MOTION RESPONSE - RIVERS EDGE.PDF](#)

5.2. Informational Reports

- K) Informational - Community Preservation Plan

Documents:

[K\) INFORMATIONAL - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PLAN.PDF](#)

5.3. Communication - Resignation Of Mary Donnelly From Council On Aging

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - RESIGNATION OF MARY DONNELLY FROM COUNCIL ON AGING.PDF](#)

5.4. Communication - City Manager Request Out Of State Travel (2) LPD.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 LPD 1 OST CT .PDF](#)
[2021 JULY 13 LPD 1 OST NY.PDF](#)

6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

6.1. Vote - Accept Expend Mass In Motion Grant For 60,000 For Health Dept

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT EXPEND MASS IN MOTION GRANT FOR 60,000 FOR HEALTH DEPT.PDF](#)

6.2. Vote - Accept Expend State Opioid Response Prevention In Early Childhood Grant

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT EXPEND STATE OPIOID RESPONSE PREVENTION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD GRANT.PDF](#)

6.3. Vote - Accept Expend Tobacco Grant For \$75,000 For Health Dept

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT EXPEND TOBACCO GRANT FOR 75,000 FOR HEALTH DEPT.PDF](#)

6.4. Vote - Apply Accept Expend American Rescue Plan Funds

Documents:

[VOTE - APPLY ACCEPT EXPEND AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS.PDF](#)

6.5. Vote - Transfer 79,400 For Cemeteries

Documents:

[VOTE - TRANSFER 79,400 FOR CEMETERIES.PDF](#)

6.6. Vote - Transfer 8,528.13 For DPD

Documents:

[VOTE - TRANSFER 8,528.13 FOR DPD.PDF](#)

6.7. Vote-Accept Gift From Anonymous Donor For Crowley Park

Documents:

[VOTE-ACCEPT GIFT FROM ANONYMOUS DONOR FOR CROWLEY PARK.PDF](#)

6.8. Vote-Accept Gift From Nucar Lannan Chevrolet Of Lowell For LHS

Documents:

[VOTE-ACCEPT GIFT FROM NUCAR LANNAN CHEVROLET OF LOWELL FOR LHS.PDF](#)

7. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

7.1. Ordinance-Create Business Services Market Manager Position In Career Center Position And Salary

Documents:

[ORDINANCE-CREATE BUSINESS SERVICES MARKET MANAGER POSITION IN CAREER CENTER POSTION AND SALARY.PDF](#)

8. CONSTABLE BONDS

8.1. Communication - City Mgr. Request Approval Of Constable Bonds For Leslie Stirk.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 CONST BOND STIRK.PDF](#)

9. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

9.1. Subcommittees Reports:

1. Transportation SC June 29, 2021;

2. Zoning SC June 29, 2021; and

3. Election Laws/Redistricting SC July 6, 2021

- 9.2. Wire Insp. - Comcast - Request Installation Of Communications Conduit To Provide Service From 138 To 160 Middlesex Street.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 COMCAST SERVICE MIDDLESEX ST.PDF](#)

- 9.3. Wire Insp. - National Grid - Request Installation Of New Handhole And (2) Four Inch Conduits Connecting To It At 197 Appleton Street.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 NATL GRID CONDUIT APPLETON ST.PDF](#)

- 9.4. Wire Insp. - University Of Massachusetts Lowell (UML) - Request Installation Of Electric Conduit At Sarah Avenue Under Riverside Street For New Source Feeder For UML North Campus.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 UML CONDUIT.PDF](#)

10. **PETITIONS**

- 10.1. Claim - (1) Property Damage.
- 10.2. Misc. - Atlas (ATC) Request Request Temporary Access For Staging Area At 25 Carter Avenue.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 ATLAS ATC REQ TEMPORARY ACCESS FOR STAGING AREA AT 25 CARTER AVENUE.PDF](#)

- 10.3. Misc. - Janie Polay Request That City Council Ban Door To Door Soliciting In The City Of Lowell.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 JANIE POLAY REQ SOLICITING BE BANNED IN THE CITY OF LOWELL.PDF](#)

- 10.4. TC Systems Inc. (AT&T) (Giomare Group) - Request Installation Of 116 Feet Of Underground Conduit At Intersection Of Industrial And Reiss Avenues.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 TC SYSTEMS INC ATT TO INSTALL CONDUIT 116 FT INDUSTRIAL AVE.PDF](#)

- 10.5. TC Systems Inc. (AT&T) (Giomare Group) - Request Installation Of 44 Feet Of Underground Conduit At Appleton And Thorndike Streets.

Documents:

[2021 JULY 13 TC SYSTEMS INC ATT TO INSTALL CONDUIT 44 FEET APPLETON.PDF](#)

11. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 11.1. C. Elliott - Req. Transportation SC Meet To Address Speeding And Cut-Through Traffic On Starbird Street And Put Measures In Place To Protect Over A Dozen School Age Children That Live And Play In The Neighborhood And Walk To The McAvenue School.
- 11.2. C. Elliott - Req. City Council Discuss With The Election Commission To Add A Second Polling Location At Each Voting District; To Ensure That All Voters Have Convenient Access/Ability To Vote In Municipal Elections.
- 11.3. C. Elliott - Req. City Mgr. Contact Pan Am Railways To Inspect And Paint Railroad Bridges At Lawrence/Billerica Streets And Gorham Street; As Well As Update Signage To Prevent Trucks From Hitting Bridges.
- 11.4. C. Conway - Req. City Mgr. Report On The Feasibility Of Retaining A Minimum Of The Fourteen Voting Locations That Were Available To Residents During The 2019 Election With The Intention Of Increasing Voter Turnout.
- 11.5. C. Conway - Req. City Mgr. Meet With The LPD And Other Appropriate City Departments And Our City Partners To Develop A Plan For A City-Wide Campaign That Will Address Vehicle Traffic And Pedestrian Safety On The Streets Of Our Neighborhoods.
- 11.6. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Discuss With Parking Director About Offering A Group Discount To Court House Employees For The Early Garage And The New Hamilton Canal Garage.
- 11.7. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Put A 4-Way Stop Sign At The Intersection Of Lincoln, Washington And Angle Streets; If Not Justified Place A "No Parking Here To Corner" Sign On All Corners At The Intersection.
- 11.8. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Provide Installing Special Safety Measures Ie., Police Enforcement For Speeding On Aberdeen, Beacon And Christian Streets, As Well As, 6th And 7th Avenues.
- 11.9. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Provide The Council With The City's Vision, Direction And Guidance For What Is The Future For Downtown Lowell; The Heart Of The City.
- 11.10.C. Samaras - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Research Or Develop Various Methods To Better Control Speeding Within City Limits.
- 11.11.C. Samaras - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Report As To Why A Number Of Voting Precincts Have Been Eliminated.

- 11.12.C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Investigate And Correct The Malfunctioning HVAC System At The Morey School.
- 11.13.C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Investigate And Recommend Pedestrian Safety Improvements Along Wachusett Street Including Installation Of Lighting, Collapsing Drainage Basins And Raised Water Valves Protruding From The Sidewalks.
- 11.14.C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Provide Policy And Status Updates For Long Term Parking And Back To School Readiness For Upcoming School Year Within The City Garages.
- 11.15.C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Update The Council On The Status Of The Tree Planting Program And Investigate Expanding The Program Throughout The Highlands Area Of The City.
- 11.16.C. Drinkwater - Req. City Council Vote In Support Of Utilizing The Leo A. Roy Parking Garage For A Mural Project, And Further Request That The City Manager Work With ArtUp Lowell And Beyond Walls To Initiate A Call For Artists And Concepts For A Mural Project.
- 11.17.C. Drinkwater - Req. City Mgr. Contact DCAM To Ask For A Status Update On The Hurd St. Courthouse And A Timeline For Sale Or Auction Of The Property.
- 11.18.C. Drinkwater - Req. City Mgr. Provide An Update On The Community Choice Power Supply Aggregation And Energy Broker Contracts, And The Process And Timeline For Entering Into New Contracts.
- 11.19.C. Rourke - Req. City Mgr. Work With Police Supt. To Form A Police Action League (PAL) For Lowell Youth.
- 11.20.M. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Look At Health Of City Tree Located At 91 Felton Street.
- 11.21.M. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Department To Paint Turning Signals On Andover Street.
- 11.22.M. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. And Proper Department Work With Residents Of The Hamilton Canal District Regarding Construction Schedule Over The Next Few Years.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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