



# Lowell City Council

## Regular Meeting Agenda

Michael Q. Geary  
City Clerk

**Date:** July 14, 2020  
**Time:** 6:30 PM  
**Location:** Zoom/Remote Participation

### 1. ROLL CALL

### 2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

#### 2.1. Communication Remote Participation:

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 View The Meeting Via LTC And 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 Tele-Conferenced In To The Meeting. Email Address Is [MGEARY@LOWELLMA.GOV](mailto:MGEARY@LOWELLMA.GOV). If No Access To Email You May Contact City Clerk At 978-674-4161.

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 Finance SC June 23rd; City Council Meeting June 23rd; Finance SC June 30th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2020 JUNE 23 FIN SC MINUTES.PDF](#)  
[2020 JUNE 23 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)  
[2020 JUNE 30 FIN SC MINUTES.PDF](#)

### 4. AUDITOR BUSINESS

#### 4.1. Communication - FY20 YTD Budget Report Ending June 30, 2020.

Documents:

[2020 JULY 14 YTD FY20 BUDGET REPORT 4Q.PDF](#)

### 5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

#### 5.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Election Preparations COVID-19
- B) Motion Response - Pawtucket Boulevard

- C) Motion Response - Middlesex St No Parking Zone
- D) Motion Response - Woburn Street Project
- E) Motion Response - Homelessness Task Force
- F) Motion Response - Ecumenical Plaza
- G) Motion Response - Paving and Trench Chip Disc
- H) Motion Response - Transport of Marijuana
- I) Motion Response - Burnham Road
- J) Motion Response - East Merrimack Street
- K) Motion Response - Naming Field at Cawley Stadium

Documents:

- [A\) MOTION RESPONSE - ELECTION PREPARATIONS COVID-19.PDF](#)
- [B\) MOTION RESPONSE - PAWTUCKET BOULEVARD.PDF](#)
- [C\) MOTION RESPONSE - MIDDLESEX ST NO PARKING ZONE.PDF](#)
- [D\) MOTION RESPONSE - WOBURN STREET PROJECT.PDF](#)
- [E\) MOTION RESPONSE - HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE.PDF](#)
- [F\) MOTION RESPONSE - ECUMENICAL PLAZA.PDF](#)
- [G\) MOTION RESPONSE - PAVING AND TRENCH CHIP DISC.PDF](#)
- [H\) MOTION RESPONSE - TRANSPORT OF MARIJUANA.PDF](#)
- [I\) MOTION RESPONSE - BURNHAM ROAD.PDF](#)
- [J\) MOTION RESPONSE - EAST MERRIMACK STREET.PDF](#)
- [K\) MOTION RESPONSE - NAMING FIELD AT CAWLEY STADIUM.PDF](#)

## 5.2. Informational Reports

- A) Informational - Maintenance of Effort Report

Documents:

- [A\) INFORMATIONAL - MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REPORT.PDF](#)

## 5.3. Resignation Of Sabrina Pedersen- Sustainability Council

Documents:

- [RESIGNATION OF SABRINA PEDERSEN- SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL.PDF](#)

## 6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

### 6.1. Vote- Approve Appropriation Order FY21 One Twelfth Budget August

Documents:

- [VOTE- APPROVE APPROPRIATION ORDER FY21 ONE TWELFTH BUDGET AUGUST.PDF](#)

### 6.2. Accept Gift Of Hand Sanitizer

Documents:

- [ACCEPT GIFT OF HAND SANITIZER.PDF](#)

### 6.3. Vote -Accept By Donation Easement In Furtherance Of Concord River Greenway

Documents:

[VOTE -ACCEPT BY DONATION EASEMENT IN FURTHERANCE OF CONCORD RIVER GREENWAY.PDF](#)

- 6.4. Vote- Accept.Expend 109,540 FY20 Justice Assistance Grant For Corona Virus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program

Documents:

[VOTE- ACCEPT.EXPEND 109,540 FY20 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR CORONA VIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROGRAM.PDF](#)

- 6.5. Vote- Accept.Expend EOPSS 2020 Pedestrian Grant-Police

Documents:

[VOTE- ACCEPT.EXPEND EOPSS 2020 PEDESTRIAN GRANT-POLICE.PDF](#)

- 6.6. Vote- Concord River Greenway Gateway City Parks Program

Documents:

[VOTE- CONCORD RIVER GREENWAY GATEWAY CITY PARKS PROGRAM.PDF](#)

- 6.7. Vote- MassDevelopment Site Readiness 375K

Documents:

[VOTE- MASSDEVELOPMENT SITE READINESS 375K.PDF](#)

**7. ORDERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- 7.1. 60-Day Trial

Documents:

[60-DAY TRIAL.PDF](#)

**8. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- 8.1. Ordinance- Create Citizens Advisory Committee

Documents:

[ORDINANCE- CREATE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.PDF](#)

**9. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)**

- 9.1. Finance SC June 30, 2020.  
9.2. Transportation SC Joint With Public Safety SC July 14, 2020.

**10. PETITIONS**

- 10.1. Claim - (1) Property Damage.

## 11. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 11.1. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Work With Department Of Planning & Development To Put Together A Comprehensive Asset Management Strategy For City-Owned Property.
- 11.2. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Work With Department Of Planning & Development To Compile A List Of HUD Projects With Affordable Housing Restrictions That Expire In Near Future.
- 11.3. C. Elliott - Req. City Council Vote To Set Up Lowell Equity And Inclusion Fund To Raise Money From Private Donations To Address Racism, Inclusiveness And Equity In City.
- 11.4. C. Elliott - Req. City Council Discuss Reallocating State And Federal Grant Resources For HR Audit Or Other Programs To Address Equity And Inclusiveness.
- 11.5. C. Elliott/C. Conway/C. Mercier/C. Rourke/C. Samaras/C. Chau - Req. City Council Adopt Resolution Regarding Inclusiveness, Equity And Racism In The City.
- 11.6. C. Mercier - Req. City Council Resume Meeting In The City Hall Chamber For The Next Meeting For Those City Councilors Who Wish To Partake.
- 11.7. C. Rourke - Req. City Mgr. Provide The Council With A Comprehensive Report Regarding Lowell Police Department's Collaboration With Community Partners Including Lowell Public Schools, Non-Profit Organizations And Other City Departments Through Funding And Active Participation.
- 11.8. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Create A City Commission To Investigate And Identify Systemic Inequities And Racism In The Following Areas: Housing, Education, Hiring, Health Care, Social Services, Mental Health And Transportation; Members Will Include, But Not To, Representatives From The Following Organizations; Mayor Or Appointee, City Manager Or Appointee, Lowell Housing Authority, CBA, Lowell General Hospital, Lowell Community Health Center, Community Team Work, Trinity Ambulance, PrideStar Ambulance, Lowell Regional Transit Authority, UMass Lowell, Lowell School Administration, Middlesex Community College, Lowell Career Center, UTEC And Lowell Transitional Center.
- 11.9. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Update Council Regarding Small Business Emergency Grant Program Initiated In May Using CDBG Funds And Provide List Of Recipients And Amounts Received By City Businesses.
- 11.10. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Investigate Upgrading The Intersections Of Wedge, Campbell And Luce Streets From 2- Way Stop Signs To 4-Way Stop Signs With Marked Crosswalks.
- 11.11. M. Leahy - Req. City Council Vote To Assert That Racism Is A Public Health Crisis Affecting The Health, Safety And Well-Being Of Residents In The City Of Lowell, And To Affirm Our Commitment To Efforts Aimed At Understanding, Addressing, And Dismantling Racism In All Its Forms; And To Further Request That The City Manager Direct The Law Department To Draft A Resolution Formally Declaring Racism To Be A Public Health Crisis In The City Of Lowell.
- 11.12. M. Leahy - Req. City Council Vote To Establish A Mayor's Task Force On Diversity, Equity And Inclusion That Will Conduct A Thorough Review Of City Policies And Inequities In Community Systems; Will Solicit Input From Experts And The General Public; And Will Report To The City Manager And City Council With Initial Policy Recommendations, Including Ways In Which Success Is Measured, No Later Than Six Months From The Date Of The First Task Force Meeting; Said Task Force Shall Be

Chaired By A Lowell Resident Who Is A Person Of Color, And The Majority Of The Task Force Should Be Comprised Of People Of Color Who Reside In Lowell.

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

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