



Lowell City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Michael Q. Geary
City Clerk

Date: April 14, 2020

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 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 wishing to speak regarding a specific agenda item shall register to speak in advance by sending email to City Clerk indicating the agenda item and a phone number to call so that you may be conferenced in to the meeting. Email address is MGEARY@LOWELLMA.GOV. If no access to email you may contact City Clerk at 978-674-4161.

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of City Council Meeting March 24th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2020 MARCH 24 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. AUDITOR BUSINESS

4.1. Communication - Memo FY19 Audited Financial Statements.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 MEMO FY19 AUDIT.PDF](#)
[2020 APRIL 14 FY19 FIN STATEMENTS.PDF](#)
[2020 APRIL 14 LOWELL FY19 MANAGEMENT LETTER.PDF](#)
[2020 APRIL 14 FY19 SEFA GRANTS.PDF](#)

4.2. Communication - Memo Free Cash Certification.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 MEMO FREE CASH CERT.PDF](#)
[2020 APRIL 14 FY19 FREE CASH CALC.PDF](#)

5. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.1. Ordinance-Amend Certain Sections Of 10.3 Entitled Hamilton Canal District Form Based Code.

Documents:

[ORDINANCE-AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF 10.3 ENTITLED HAMILTON CANAL DISTRICT FORM BASED CODE.PDF](#)

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

6.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Councilors Holding Multiple Elective Offices
- B) Motion Response - Residency Requirement
- C) Motion Response - Sick Bank
- D) Motion Response - Christian Ave
- E) Motion Response - City-wide Spring Cleaning Schedule
- F) Motion Response - Yard Waste Pick-Up Schedule
- G) Motion Response - Middlesex Street Sign Removal
- H) Motion Response - Illegal Dumping
- I) Motion Response - Homeless Resources Booklet
- J) Motion Response - Vacant-Dilapidated Properties in the Acre Redevelopment Plan
- K) Motion Response - Opportunity Zones
- L) Motion Response - Small Business Earmark
- M) Motion Response - Lord Overpass Parking
- N) Motion Response - Rourke Bridge Update
- O) Motion Response - Bicentennial Planning

Documents:

[A\) MOTION RESPONSE - COUNCILORS HOLDING MULTIPLE ELECTIVE OFFICES.PDF](#)

[B\) MOTION RESPONSE - RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT.PDF](#)

[C\) MOTION RESPONSE - SICK BANK.PDF](#)

[D\) MOTION RESPONSE - CHRISTIAN AVE.PDF](#)

[E\) MOTION RESPONSE - CITY-WIDE SPRING CLEANING SCHEDULE.PDF](#)

[F\) MOTION RESPONSE - YARD WASTE PICK-UP SCHEDULE.PDF](#)

[G\) MOTION RESPONSE - MIDDLESEX STREET SIGN REMOVAL.PDF](#)

[H\) MOTION RESPONSE - ILLEGAL DUMPING.PDF](#)

[I\) MOTION RESPONSE - HOMELESS RESOURCES BOOKLET.PDF](#)

[J\) MOTION RESPONSE - VACANT-DILAPIDATED PROPERTIES IN THE ACRE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN.PDF](#)

[K\) MOTION RESPONSE - OPPORTUNITY ZONES.PDF](#)

[L\) MOTION RESPONSE - SMALL BUSINESS EARMARK.PDF](#)

[M\) MOTION RESPONSE - LORD OVERPASS PARKING.PDF](#)

[N\) MOTION RESPONSE - ROURKE BRIDGE UPDATE.PDF](#)

[O\) MOTION RESPONSE - BICENTENNIAL PLANNING.PDF](#)

6.2. Informational Reports

- P) Informational - Coronavirus Response and Preparedness
- Q) Informational - FY2019 Audit Memo
- R) Informational - Construction Projects

Documents:

[P\) INFORMATIONAL - CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS.PDF](#)
[Q\) INFORMATIONAL - FY2019 AUDIT MEMO.PDF](#)
[R\) INFORMATIONAL - CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.PDF](#)

- 6.3. Communication - Planning Board Recommendation Regarding Zoning Amendments Of 10.3 Hamilton Canal District Form Based Code.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 PB RECOMMENDATION HCD ZOINIG.PDF](#)

- 6.4. Communication - Accept Resignation Of Jeffrey Wilson From Lowell Commission On Disability

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JEFFREY WILSON FROM LOWELL COMMISSION ON DISABILITY.PDF](#)

- 6.5. Communication - Appoint Mary Katherine Lapinski To Board Of Parks

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - APPOINT MARY KATHERINE LAPINSKI TO BOARD OF PARKS.PDF](#)

7. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- 7.1. Vote - Appropriate \$7,462,706 From 7.1.19 Certified Free Cash

Documents:

[VOTE - APPROPRIATE 7,462,706.00 FROM 7.1.19 CERTIFIED FREE CASH.PDF](#)

- 7.2. Vote-Auth CM Accept Expend \$1,125 From Massachusetts Board Of Library Commissioners

Documents:

[VOTE-AUTH CM ACCEPT EXPEND 1,125.00 FROM MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.PDF](#)

- 7.3. Vote-Auth CM Accept Expend \$125,000 From Comm Of MA Via The Executive Office Of Labor And Workforce Dev

Documents:

[VOTE-AUTH CM ACCEPT EXPEND 125,000.00 FROM COMM OF MA VIA THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEV.PDF](#)

- 7.4. Vote-Auth CM Accept Expend 10K From Mass State Historical Records Advisory Bd And Mass Genl Court

Documents:

[VOTE-AUTH CM ACCEPT EXPEND 10K FROM MASS STATE HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY BD AND MASS GENL COURT.PDF](#)

7.5. Vote-Auth CM Execute Amendment #2-Mass Dept Of Transportation - RMV Lease

Documents:

[VOTE-AUTH CM EXECUTE AMENDMENT 2-MASS DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION - RMV LEASE.PDF](#)

7.6. Vote - Home Rule Petition For City Councilor Restrictions

Documents:

[VOTE - HOME RULE PETITION FOR CITY COUNCILOR RESTRICTIONS.PDF](#)

8. RESOLUTIONS

8.1. Resolution-Support HD4935 Moratorium On Evictions And Foreclosures During COVID 19 Emergency

Documents:

[RESOLUTION-SUPPORT HD4935 MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS AND FORECLOSURES DURING COVID 19 EMERGENCY.PDF](#)

9. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

10. PETITIONS

10.1. Claim - (1) Personal Injury.

10.2. New Cingular Wireless (D/B/A AT&T) - Request Permission To Install Small Cell Facility On Existing Pole Located At 319 Market Street.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 ATT SMALL CELL 319 MARKET ST.PDF](#)

10.3. New Cingular Wireless (D/B/A AT&T) - Request Permission To Install Small Cell Facility On Existing Pole Located At 405 Lawrence Street.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 ATT SMALL CELL 405 LAWRENCE.PDF](#)

10.4. New Cingular Wireless (D/B/A AT&T) - Request Permission To Install Small Cell Facility On Existing Pole Located At 56 Oak Street.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 ATT SMALL CELL 56 OAK ST.PDF](#)

- 10.5. New Cingular Wireless (D/B/A AT&T) - Request Permission To Install Small Cell Facility On Existing Pole Located At 60 Lafayette Street.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 ATT SMALL CELL 60 LAFAYETTE ST.PDF](#)

- 10.6. New Cingular Wireless (D/B/A AT&T) - Request Permission To Install Small Cell Facility On Existing Pole Located At 878 Lakeview Avenue.

Documents:

[2020 APRIL 14 ATT SMALL CELL 878 LAKEVIEW AVE.PDF](#)

11. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 11.1. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have Parking Director Develop A Plan To Allow Handicap Residents From The Appleton Mills Apartments To Have First Access To The Handicap Spaces Once The Garage Is Finished And Allow Handicap Residents To Park In The UMass-Lowell Lot In The Interim.
- 11.2. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Find Ways And Means To Have City Vendors That Are Responsible For Sending Out Property Tax Bill, Excise Tax Bills, Etc. Offer A Grace Period For Payment During These Difficult Times.
- 11.3. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Due To Covid-19 Crisis, Extend The Appeals Period For Any Citation, Ticket Or Fine Issued By The City; In Addition Relax Any Time Lines For Late Fees And/Or Municipal Licenses Until Emergency Orders Are Lifted.
- 11.4. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. And Law Department, Due To Covid-19 Crisis, Consult With Non-Profit Housing Organizations (CTI, CBA, Merrimack Valley Housing Partnership) In Order To Use Community Preservation Act (CPA) For Rental Assist Programs.
- 11.5. C. Elliott - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Suspend Parking Ticketing During Stay At Home Order.
- 11.6. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Contact Comcast, Verizon And Other Internet Providers To The City And Request/Negotiate Reduced Fees And Service Charges During The Covid-19 Emergency Period.
- 11.7. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Incorporate The Standardized Covid-19 Information Provide By The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts Into A Comprehensive Neighborhood Report Regarding Covid-19 Cases.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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