



# Lowell City Council

## Regular Meeting Agenda

**Date:** January 27, 2026

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA / Zoom (Hybrid)

### 1. ROLL CALL

### 2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

#### 2.1. Communication Remote / Zoom Participation:

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### 3. CITY CLERK

#### 3.1. Minutes Of City Council Regular Meeting January 20th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 20 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

### 4. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 4.1. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Departments Work With Our City Council To Draft Parameters Around TIFs And TIEs That Incorporate Community And Council Led Initiatives.
- 4.2. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Draft Home Rule Petition Allowing The City To Establish A Centralized Facilities Department.
- 4.3. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Invite The Veterans Commission To Appear Before The Council To Provide A Presentation On The City's Hometown Heroes Banner Program.
- 4.4. C. Chau / M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Provide The City Council With A Comprehensive List And Status Update Of All Street Paving, Roadway Improvements And Infrastructure Upgrade Projects That Have Been Previously Approved By Council

Vote But Remain Pending.

## **5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

### **5.1. Motion Responses**

- A) Motion Response - Bridge Safety Measures
- B) Motion Response - Moratorium

Documents:

- [A\) MOTION RESPONSE - BRIDGE SAFETY MEASURES.PDF](#)
- [B\) MOTION RESPONSE - MORATORIUM.PDF](#)

## **6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

### **6.1. Vote - Allocate \$20k Opioid Settlement Funds**

Documents:

- [VOTE - ALLOCATE 20K OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS.PDF](#)

## **7. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

### **7.1. Ordinance - Amend Zoning - Data Center Moratorium**

Documents:

- [ORDINANCE - AMEND ZONING - DATA CENTER MORATORIUM.PDF](#)

## **8. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)**

## **9. PETITIONS**

### **9.1. Misc. - Nydia Rakim Request Installation Of A Handicap Parking Sign At 61 Chestnut Street (Apt. 3).**

Documents:

- [2026 JANUARY 27 NADIA RAKIM HANDICAP SIGN 61 CHESTNUT ST.PDF](#)

### **9.2. Misc. - Maria Olsen Request Installation Of A Handicap Parking Sign At 142-144 Ennell Street.**

Documents:

- [2026 JANUARY 27 MARIA D. OLSEN REQUEST HANDICAP SIGN PLACED AT HOME ADDRESS 142-144 ENNELL STREET.PDF](#)

### **9.3. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 SO Pole At Middlesex And Wood Streets.**

Documents:

- [2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE MIDDLESEX 1 AGENDA.PDF](#)

9.4. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole 557 Varnum Avenue.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE VARNUM AGENDA 8.PDF](#)

9.5. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 1158 Gorham Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE GORHAM 2 AGENDA.PDF](#)

9.6. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 145 Pawtucket Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE PAWTUCKET AGENDA 10.PDF](#)

9.7. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 15 West Meadow Road.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE W MEADOW AGENDA 7.PDF](#)

9.8. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 308 Stevens Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE STEVENS AGENDA 9.PDF](#)

9.9. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 316 Mammoth Road.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE MAMOTH AGENDA 5.PDF](#)

9.10. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 JO Pole At 9-11 Columbia Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE COLUMBIA 3 AGENDA.PDF](#)

9.11. National Grid - Request Installation Of 1 SO Pole At 12 Wood Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID POLE WOOD AGENDA 6.PDF](#)

9.12. National Grid - Request Installation Of 2 SO Poles At 1170 Gorham Street.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID 2 POLES GORHAM WINEBACK AGENDA 4.PDF](#)

9.13. National Grid - Request Installation Of 5 JO Poles At Middlesex And Edwards Streets.

Documents:

2026 JANUARY 27 NAT GRID MIDDLESX EDWARDS 4 POLES AGENDA  
11.PDF

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Date:** January 20, 2026

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor,  
Lowell, MA / Zoom (Hybrid)

### 1. ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed 11 present (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. McDonough, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, C. Rourke, C. Scott).

M. Gitschier presiding.

C. Mercier requested moment of silence in darkened chamber for Mary Ann McMahon and Walter J. Cahill (former City Building Inspector). C. Descoteaux requested moment of silence in darkened chamber for Debra Ann Verfaillie. C. Rourke requested moment of silence in darkened chamber for Jay Milinazzo.

### 2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

#### 2.1. Communication Remote / Zoom Participation.

In City Council, **Motion** "To accept and place on file" by C. Rourke, seconded by C. Nuon. So voted.

### 3. CITY CLERK

#### 3.1. Minutes of City Council Regular Meeting January 13th, for acceptance.

In City Council, **Motion** "To accept and place on file" by C. Mercier, seconded by C. Juran. So voted.



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#### 4. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARINGS (Scheduled for 7PM)

##### 4.1. Loan Order - Amend High School Project.

In City Council, Given second reading, hearing held. **Motion** to adopt and refer to Clerk's Office for 20 days by C. Juran, seconded by C. Descoteaux. Adopted per Roll Call vote 9 yeas (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Rourke, C. Scott), 1 nay (C. Robinson), 1 recuse (C. McDonough). So voted. C. McDonough recused self from discussion and vote on this matter. Hearing opened to public, Theresa Roach (via Zoom) addressed the Council commenting on the effect the project will have on the real estate taxes in the City. The following contractors were present at the hearing, from Suffolk Construction (Kyle Regis, Sean Edwards, Justin Lyons); Perkins Eastman (Robin Greenburg, Bob Bell); and Skanska (Kevin Kane). C. Descoteaux requested information regarding the decrease in the amount of the loan request. Conor Baldwin outlined the process for the reduction in the amount indicating a decrease in the project management fund; reduction of the architect fee; and a reduction in the contingency amount. C. Descoteaux noted that there was no reduction coming from Suffolk Construction and that he would support the vote but was not comfortable with the position the City is in or the contingency. Mr. Kane noted the company works to reduce costs every day. C. Descoteaux noted the issues that have been raised in Phase 4 of the project. Mr. Kane indicated that those issues were under structural review. C. Descoteaux noted the need to move forward but there is no more appetite for additional increases. C. Robinson questioned who the project manager was. Manager Golden, Jr. noted it was a different individual from the same company. C. Robinson noted that a new entity is needed and that vote should be put off until after the structural review is done regarding Phase 4. C. Nuon questioned the reduction numbers and Mr. Baldwin reviewed those again. C. Nuon noted that there was no concession from Suffolk Construction and questioned whether contingency fund could be further reduced. Mr. Lyons noted that the contingency has already been reduced. C. Nuon questioned added money for the project. Mr. Kane noted the increase and that he has been involved with the project for four years. C. Mercier noted her prior support of a new building which would have avoided a lot of these issues and that



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she would support the vote but would not support any further increases in the costs. C. Juran commented on the effect on the taxpayers and the contingencies on the project. Mr. Baldwin outlined the effects and that they were not a one-time burden and that there are contractual issues involving contingencies. C. Chau noted not comfortable with support of the vote, but the project must move forward. C. Chau noted that must be sure that all is to their complete satisfaction once the project is completed. Mr. Kane commented on the oversight and use of punch lists. C. Liang noted that there are more issues forthcoming but from a practical element he must support this but would be reluctant for anything further. C. Scott commented on increases and that her support is lessening as the project moves forward. Manager Golden, Jr. commented on cash flow needed for project. Mr. Kane on the contingency process. C. Robinson requested tax ramifications of the project. Manager Golden, Jr. noted that there would be a 1.6% increase for this project alone and that amounts to about 2.8 million dollars. M. Gitschier relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair Nuon at 8:10 PM. M. Gitschier laid blame on the project manager who the City trusted and they have not done a good job. M. Gitschier noted the project must move forward and noted that the body is indicating no support for added increases beyond this. M. Gitschier questioned if one week delay on this vote would be problematic. Mr. Baldwin indicated that it may be and laid out the process for adjusting the loan amount. M. Gitschier noted that the City was not told the truth about the project at the outset. The Chair was returned to M. Gitschier at 8:17 PM.

**Motion** by C. Robinson, seconded by C. Rourke to take Item #6.1 (Fuseldeas) out of order. So voted.

## **5. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS**

**5.1. C. Juran / C. Scott - Req. Neighborhoods SC work with administration to create a schedule of reports to be provided by the administration to the Council and residents on an annual, quarterly and monthly basis.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Mercier, referred to Neighborhoods SC. So voted. C. Juran noted the information would be useful to the public and that



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they could identify set of report to benefit the public and provide explanations. C. Scott noted it was a good way to communicate with the public.

**Motion** by C. Robinson, seconded by C. Rourke to take Item #5.9 out of order. So voted.

**5.2. C. Juran / C. Rourke - Req. Frontrunner City Program SC and City administration meet regularly to discuss Frontrunner City activities and plans, and report back to the City Council.**

In City Council, no second needed, referred to City Manager/Frontrunner City Program SC. So voted. C. Juran noted program moving forward and that residents wish to be involved and that this is best method to provide them information. C. Rourke noted City Manager will be bringing information to the neighborhood groups.

**5.3. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. update City Council on the Downtown Business Improvement District (BID).**

In City Council, seconded by C. McDonough, referred to City Manager. So voted. C. Nuon noted the need for information. C. McDonough noted that the matter should go before the Economic Development SC.

**5.4. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. have Fire and Police Chiefs schedule recruitment events at different locations across the City for the purpose of reaching more candidates to recruit for the Lowell Fire & Police Departments; said events to include notification to the City Council when Civil Service events are scheduled, including the districts where said meetings will be held.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Robinson, referred to City Manager. So voted.

**5.5. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. work with appropriate departments to address traffic calming measures, including crosswalks, speed**



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**bumps or other safety measures needed to improve safety throughout the City.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Juran, referred to City Manager. So voted. C. Nuon noted that there was an abundance of motions regarding traffic measures and that this would be an easier way to coordinate them all. C. Juran noted every neighborhood has concerns and that the website provides information regarding road work.

**5.6. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. work with appropriate department to install iron railings on the University Avenue Bridge.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Chau, referred to City Manager. So voted. Motion by C. Nuon, seconded by C. McDonough to allow Paulette Renault-Carrigianes to address the body. So voted. Ms. Renault-Carrigianes commented on steps to assist with suicide prevention. Ms. Woo noted the devastating effects of suicide and that all should be done to help with prevention. C. Nuon noted the bridge needs to be safe for all people. C. Chau commented prevention of suicides can be done with small measures as well as protecting people with troubles. C. Chau noted the need to design safety features. C. Liang noted that mental health issues are prevalent and must be involved in resolving the matter. C. Robinson noted the need for preventive measures and that the University should be involved as most pedestrians on that bridge are students. Manager Golden, Jr. noted that work would be done with all partners to address the issues.

**5.7. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. provide City Council with a report concerning best practices used to ensure the City's Noise Ordinance is effectively enforced, including but not limited to, situations where property owners play loud music at late hours.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Scott, referred to City Manager. So voted.

**5.8. C. McDonough - Req. City Mgr. have the appropriate department take any necessary steps to provide a report to the council on ICE**



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**operations in the City of Lowell over the last 18 months including: who has been arrested; where are they being detained; how many immigration related arrests have been made in Lowell; any cooperation, or requests for cooperation, between ICE and the Lowell Police Department.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Juran, referred to City Manager. So voted. Registered speakers, Debbie White (commented - Lowell is an immigrant community); Didi Chadran (commented - member of organization formed due to increase in ICE activity); Anthony Milisci (commented - noted that there was fright in the community); Jose Cervantes (commented - noted ICE actions are divisive to the community); Carol Fallon (commented - witnessed many events in the community) and Julio Mejia (commented - member of non-profit noting the many safety concerns), addressed the Council. C. McDonough commented on the City's ICE policy and that it was a simple task to ask Federal agents for this information so data can be seen by public. C. Nuon noted City was doing well in this area and that ICE does not provide this information. C. Robinson noted this was federal jurisdiction and that ICE has no requirement to provide notice and that he was pleased with the ICE policy at the police department. C. Chau noted people are not feeling comfortable noted the ICE policy in City must be adhered to. C. Mercier noted policy in police is that immigration status has nothing to do with police action in the community. C. Scott noted difficulty in gathering any information from Federal law enforcement. C. Liang noted this is a city of immigrants and that information should be provided as data is important. C. McDonough noted that he has no reason to believe that the City is not following this policy but wanted to calm peoples' concern. C. Descoteaux requested information from LPD regarding the ICE policy.

**Motion** by C. Descoteaux, seconded by C. Nuon to request City Manager have LPD before Council regarding City's ICE policy. Adopted per Roll Call vote, 11 yeas (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. McDonough, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, C. Rourke, C. Scott). So voted.

**5.9. C. McDonough - Req. City Mgr. have the proper department provide a report to the council on ADA compliance of city owned**



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**garages, specifically detailing any repairs or improvements needed to ensure that our public garages are accessible to all Lowell residents and visitors.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Mercier, referred to City Manager. So voted. Registered speaker, Brady McCarron (commented - issues in the garages effect all people), addressed the Council. C. McDonough commented on the concerns and the need for repairs.

**Motion** by C. Robinson, seconded by C. Chau to take Items #5.6, #5.11 and #5.14 out of order and together. So voted.

**5.10. C. McDonough - Req. City Mgr. have the proper department provide the council with a copy of all lease agreements between the city and/or any of its departments and private entities.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Robinson, referred to City Manager. So voted.

**5.11. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. work in coordination with the Department of Public Works, the Lowell Police Department, the MassDOT, and any other relevant state or regional authorities to evaluate and pursue the installation of suicide-prevention measures, including but not limited to physical barriers, safety netting, or other proven deterrent infrastructure, on bridges within the City of Lowell where such incidents have occurred or present a demonstrated public safety concern.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Nuon, referred to City Manager. So voted. See discussion under Item #5.6

**5.12. C. Descoteaux - Req. City Mgr. provide an update on creating a Facilities Department.**



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In City Council, seconded by C. Nuon, referred to City Manager. So voted. C. Descoteaux requested update on status. C. Scott indicated that there should be another joint subcommittee meeting on this matter.

**5.13. M. Gitschier / C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. reach out to the Lowell Transitional Living Center requesting they clean in front of their property daily.**

In City Council, no second needed, referred to City Manager. So voted. Registered speakers, Becca Feuling (commented - noted that there is trash all over the City) and Shley Bridges (commented - noted space issues inside causing problems outside) addressed the Council.

**5.14. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. repair all ADA sidewalk warning pads on Parker Street.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Nuon, referred to City Manager. So voted.

**5.15. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. send letter to the State requesting immediate action to safeguard the railings on the Richard P. Howe, Sr. Bridge.**

In City Council, seconded by C. Rourke, referred to City Manager. So voted. So voted. See discussion under Item #5.6

**6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

**6.1. Informational Reports.**

In City Council, **Motion** "To accept and place on file" by C. Mercier, seconded by C. Juran. So voted.

**Informational Report - Traffic Ordinance** – Yovani Baez-Rose (DPD) noted changes being made to better communicate with public and Council. C. Robinson noted they could still address specific issues. Ms. Baez-Rose noted that reports will be consolidated.



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**Informational Report - Lowell Memorial Auditorium RFP –** Manager Golden, Jr. Commented on the upgrades at the site. C. Descoteaux noted partnership with the City. C. Robinson commented on the condition of the facility.

**Informational Report – Fuselideas City Brand Presentation –** Melissa Desroches (Asst. To Manager) introduced Fuselideas to make presentation regarding rebranding. The following were from Fuselideas: Glen Morgan, President; Justin Vogt, Head of Client Services; Kevin Redmond, Chief Creative Strategist; Jeff Scherdell, Managing Creative Director; Sam Ellison, Creative Director (Copy); Samantha Deem, Account Director. Diandra Silk (Assoc. Dir. Communications) noted the partnership and the process and importance of branding. **Motion** by C. Descoteaux, seconded by C. Juran to take 10-minute break to address the protest interruption regarding ICE. So voted (6:45 PM). Roll Call upon return (6:55 PM) indicated 11 present. (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. McDonough, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, C. Rourke, C. Scott). Mr. Morgan commented on his company and his connection to Lowell, and noted the surveys done to assist with the process. Mr. Redmond noted the yearlong investment in the project using internal and external searches to gather insights to develop around. Mr. Scherdell noted the creative process around City of Opportunity. Mr. Ellison noted strategy and research to develop an identity. Mr. Vogt provided video for Council. Manager Golden, Jr. Commented on the effort of the team and the work involved. C. Robinson commented that marketing strategy is important. C. Chau noted it was a more creative approach and that opinion of members of Cambodia Town would be beneficial. C. Liang commented on cultural element of the logo.

## **6.2. Communication - Appointment of Corey Robinson to LTC Board.**

In City Council, M. Gitschier removed from agenda. No objections.



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## **7. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

### **7.1. Vote - Accept/Expend \$612,919.09 FY26 Shannon Grant Community Safety Initiative.**

In City Council, Given 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. **Motion** "To Adopt" by C. Nuon, seconded by C. Mercier. Adopted per Roll Call vote 11 yeas (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. McDonough, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, C. Rourke, C. Scott). So voted.

## **8. CONSTABLE BONDS**

### **8.1. Communication - City Mgr. Request Approval of Constable Bonds. (Stanley Wyzansky)**

In City Council, **Motion** "To Adopt" by C. Rourke, seconded by C. McDonough. Adopted per Roll Call vote 11 yeas (C. Chau, C. Descoteaux, M. Gitschier, C. Juran, C. Liang, C. McDonough, C. Mercier, C. Nuon, C. Robinson, C. Rourke, C. Scott). So voted. The bond was approved for Stanley Wyzansky.

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

In City Council, none.

## **10. PETITIONS**

### **10.1. Claims - (3) Property Damage.**

In City Council, **Motion** to refer to Law Department for report and recommendation by C. Scott, seconded by C. Descoteaux. So voted.

### **10.2. Misc. - Jose Antonio Robles Gelpi request installation of handicap parking sign at 341 Pawtucket Boulevard (Unit 8).**

In City Council, **Motion** to refer to Transportation Engineer for report and recommendation by C. Liang, seconded by C. Juran. So voted.

## **11. ANNOUNCEMENTS**



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In City Council, C. Descoteaux noted the Keefe Family Polar Plunge to benefit local coach. C. Chau noted First Responder Night at Golden Gloves. Manager Golden, Jr. commented on water main break in the Highlands.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

In City Council, **Motion** to Adjourn by C. Nuon, seconded by C. Chau. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

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Conor Baldwin  
Assistant City Manager/ CFO

Austin Ball  
Deputy CFO

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager   
**FROM:** Conor Baldwin, Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs   
**DATE:** January 27, 2026

**SUBJECT:** **MOTION RESPONSE – 1/20/26 - M. Gitschier** - Req. City Mgr. send letter to the State requesting immediate action to safeguard the railings on the Richard P. Howe, Sr. Bridge.

**MOTION RESPONSE – 1/20/26 – C. Nuon** - Req. City Mgr. work with appropriate department to install iron railings on the University Avenue Bridge

**MOTION RESPONSE - 1/20/26 - C. Chau** - Req. City Mgr. work in coordination with the Department of Public Works, the Lowell Police Department, the MassDOT, and any other relevant state or regional authorities to evaluate and pursue the installation of suicide-prevention measures, including but not limited to physical barriers, safety netting, or other proven deterrent infrastructure, on bridges within the City of Lowell where such incidents have occurred or present a demonstrated public safety concern.

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Attached please find a draft letter addressed to Interim Secretary of Transportation Phil Eng at the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The letter requests a meeting to discuss urgent safety concerns on Lowell's Merrimack River bridges and outlines the City's intent to convene a working group with state partners and UMass Lowell. It also incorporates the City Council's directive to evaluate and pursue suicide-prevention measures, including physical barriers and other proven deterrents, and emphasizes collaboration on funding opportunities to support these efforts.

Please review the attached draft for approval and consideration by the City Council. Once approved, we will proceed with transmitting the letter to MassDOT and begin coordinating next steps to advance this critical public safety initiative.



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
*City Manager*

January 27, 2026

Secretary Phillip Eng  
Interim Secretary of Transportation  
Massachusetts Department of Transportation  
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3170  
Boston, MA 02116

**Subject: Urgent Request for Meeting Regarding Bridge Safety in Lowell**

Dear Secretary Eng,

On behalf of the City of Lowell, I am writing to express our deep concern regarding pedestrian safety on the bridges that span the Merrimack River within our community, including the Rourke Bridge, O'Donnell Bridge, Richard P. Howe Bridge, Ouellette Memorial Bridge, John E. Cox Memorial Bridge, and Hunts Falls Bridge.

In recent years, Lowell has experienced multiple tragedies on these crossings—most recently in January 2026, and another just a year prior. These heartbreaking incidents have left families and our entire community grieving. We believe that no family should have to endure such senseless loss, and we must act urgently to prevent future tragedies.

The Lowell City Council and my Administration are committed to convening a working group that includes partners from the Commonwealth, UMass Lowell, and other stakeholders. Our goal is to collaboratively identify and implement solutions that are both cost-effective and aesthetically appropriate, while prioritizing the safety and well-being of pedestrians.

In addition, the Lowell City Council has directed us to work in coordination with the Department of Public Works, the Lowell Police Department, MassDOT, and any other relevant state or regional authorities to evaluate and pursue the installation of suicide-prevention measures. These measures may include, but are not limited to, physical barriers, safety netting, or other proven deterrent infrastructure on bridges within the City of Lowell where such incidents have occurred or present a demonstrated public safety concern.

We also recognize that implementing these measures will require significant resources. To that end, we are eager to explore funding opportunities and grant programs—both at the state and federal level—that can support this critical work. We believe that by collaborating on funding strategies, we can accelerate the timeline for these improvements and ensure that cost does not become a barrier to saving lives.



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
*City Manager*

We respectfully request a meeting with you and your team at the earliest possible opportunity to discuss these concerns and begin planning next steps. Together, we can develop strategies that will make these critical crossings safer and restore peace of mind for residents and visitors alike. Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter and for your continued commitment to public safety.

Please let us know your availability so we can move forward without delay.  
Sincerely,

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Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
City Manager

CC: Mayor Erik R. Gitschier and Members of the Lowell City Council  
Conor Baldwin, Assistant City Manager/ CFO



## City of Lowell - Law Department

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Corey F. Williams  
City Solicitor

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager   
**FROM:** Corey F. Williams, City Solicitor   
**CC:** Yovani Baez-Rose, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director  
**DATE:** January 27, 2026

**SUBJECT: MOTION RESPONSE: 1/13/26 - C. Scott - Req. City Council approve a temporary moratorium on the permitting and approval of new or expanded data center facilities in the City of Lowell until zoning and planning regulations are updated to protect residents, including required buffer zones, noise standards, screening and protections against water and electric rate impacts.**

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In response to the above-mentioned Motion from Councilor Scott, please see the proposed ordinance on tonight's agenda regarding a temporary moratorium for data centers in Lowell. Tonight is the first reading for the ordinance, at which point it shall be referred to the Planning Board for a public hearing, report, and recommendation. Once the Planning Board's recommendation is submitted to the City Council, a Public Hearing will be held and any vote to adopt this ordinance will require a 2/3 vote of all the members of the City Council, as required by statute (M.G.L. c. 40A s. 5).

In defining "Data Center," we relied on draft regulation language that has been established by the Massachusetts EOED (Executive Office of Economic Development). Further, the Law Department reviewed numerous municipal data center moratoriums from across the United States. Data Center moratoriums are still new in Massachusetts, so finding an exact match in the Commonwealth proved less helpful. However, we were able to review similar zoning moratoriums in several other Massachusetts municipalities. While not directly related to Data Centers, all zoning moratoriums must follow the same statutory procedure, so using them for comparison purposes was very helpful.

The critical aspects of a zoning moratorium are to establish a definite period, to specifically list the reason for the moratorium, and for the municipality to show they are actively working on and participating in a "study" that will address the concerns cited in justifying the need for a

moratorium. We are of the opinion that the moratorium ordinance before you tonight satisfies all the above.

As it relates to the “study” mentioned above, the Department of Planning and Development has Community Scale LLC under contract for a Comprehensive Zoning Review. A Zoning Audit informational from Community Scale was presented to the Council on December 9, 2025. Next steps in the process include a future meeting and presentation to a joint Neighborhoods and Zoning Subcommittee as requested by the Council and the creation of a steering committee. This comprehensive zoning review will include a robust community process and will include several potential zoning recommendations. As a part of this important community discussion, DPD has informed Community Scale of a potential moratorium on Data Centers, and that we will need to include review and recommendations related to Data Centers in any future recommendations brought forth to the Council. DPD is confident they will be able to meet the timeline established in this moratorium.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council:

VOTE

Authorizing the City Manager on behalf of the City of Lowell to approve the allocation of Opioid Settlement funding in the amount of Twenty Thousand and 00/100 (\$20,000.00) Dollars to be used by the City of Lowell Police Department to purchase first aid kit supplies and first aid training equipment related to the use of treating individuals with opioid use disorder.

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WHEREAS, the City Council voted on November 14, 2023, in accordance with MGL c. 40, §5B, to establish an Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund; and

WHEREAS, funds shall be used, subject to appropriation by a two-thirds majority of the City Council, for the opioid mitigation efforts of the City of Lowell; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is requesting the use of Opioid Settlement funds to purchase first aid supplies and first aid training equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE, as follows:

That the City Manager be and he is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Lowell, to approve the allocation of Opioid Settlement funding in the amount of Twenty Thousand and 00/100 (\$20,000.00) Dollars to be used by the City of Lowell Police Department to purchase first aid supplies and first aid training equipment to aid in the City of Lowell's efforts to combat the opioid crisis.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED:

That the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Lowell, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said allocation, including the expenditure thereof.

And that the aforementioned funds hereby be transferred from the Opioid Stabilization Fund to the Police Department budget, according to the schedule enclosed in "ATTACHMENT A"



Budget Transfer Form

Requestor: Conor Baldwin, CFO

Date: 1/23/2026

Fund	Organizational ID	Object	Amount Requested	(1) Source of Additional Funding***	(1) Amount (transfers only)
0010	02104154	541801	\$ 20,000.00	Fund 8424 Opioid Stabilization	\$ 20,000.00
		LPD Opioid Reduction Account			

\*\*\*Include Fund, Org, and Object if this is a budget transfer

Reason for budget adjustment:

*Transfer funds from Opioid Stabilization to LPD Opioid Reduction account for various supplies to combat the Opioid epidemic*

Department Head Approval:

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CFO Approval:

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City Auditor Approval:

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"A"

Gregory C. Hudon  
*Superintendent*

Mark LeBlanc  
*Deputy Superintendent*

Frank Nobrega, Jr.  
*Deputy Superintendent*

Stephen Gendreau  
*Deputy Superintendent*

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager  
**FROM:** Gregory C. Hudon, Superintendent of Police *GCH*  
**CC:** Conor Baldwin, Chief Financial Officer  
**DATE:** January 21, 2026  
**SUBJECT:** Request to Use Opioid Settlement Funds

The Lowell Police Department (LPD) respectfully requests to use Opioid Settlement funds to purchase first aid kit supplies and first aid training equipment related to the use of treating individuals with opioid use disorder. In previous years, the LPD received grant funds from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to pay for these items. This funding was cut in recent years and departments were instructed to utilize Opioid Settlement funds for these supplies. First aid related supplies and training equipment include, but are not limited to bandages, AED replacement pads and batteries, bag valve masks, CPR manikins and other first aid related items. The Lowell Police Department is requesting \$20,000 to cover these costs.



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
*City Manager*

Shawn Machado  
*Assistant City Manager*

January 27, 2026

Mayor Erik R. Gitschier  
And  
Members of the Lowell City Council

Dear Mayor Gitschier and Members of the City Council:

I am hereby recommending that the City Council approve a transfer of \$20,00 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization fund to the Lowell Police Department's budget to fund the purchase first aid kits and first aid training equipment to combat the opioid epidemic. This appropriation is directly related to the City's efforts to address the epidemic in Lowell and will afford a key component of the city's strategy to address substance abuse: the ability for police officers to actively respond to overdose calls with the proper supplies needed.

Enclosed with this letter is a vote prepared by the law department, as well as a memorandum from the Superintendent of Police, which provides further detail on the expenditure.

Please let me know if I can answer any questions the Council may have.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
City Manager

Cc: Conor Baldwin, Chief Financial Officer  
Gregory Hudon, Superintendent of Police

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

CITY OF LOWELL

In City Council

ORDINANCE

An Ordinance Amending "Code of the City of Lowell, Massachusetts", with respect to Chapter 290, Thereof Entitled, "Zoning" by adding and amending various sections.

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WHEREAS, with the proliferation of Data Center expansion in Massachusetts, cities and towns have taken moratoriums under advisement, in order to review their zoning and land use, and to formulate regulations governing the impacts of these facilities, which require adoption by ordinance of the governing body of a city or town; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lowell's zoning and land use and development regulations are found in the Lowell Zoning Code, which currently makes no specific provision for Data Centers within the City, either by right or special use permit.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL, as follows:

"Code of the City of Lowell, Massachusetts", hereinafter called the "Code", adopted by the City Council on December 23, 2008, as amended, is hereby further amended with respect to Chapter 290, entitled "Zoning," adopted December 7, 2004, as amended, as follows:

1. Amend Article II Definitions by inserting a new paragraph as follows:

DATA CENTERS: a building or series of buildings that houses and supports the high-performance servers, storage systems, networking equipment, and related computing infrastructure and equipment necessary for storing, processing, and distributing data and applications.

2. Amend Article VII Special Regulations by inserting a new Section 7.11 as follows:

7.11 360-DAY MORATORIUM ON "DATA CENTERS"

1. The purpose of this temporary moratorium is to provide the City an opportunity to better understand the impacts, if any, that the construction, expansion, and operation of Data Centers will have on City infrastructure and, more generally, the overall quality of life for the residents of Lowell. As a result, the City shall conduct an analysis and/or comprehensive study to determine the impact of said construction on police, fire, and emergency public safety, the school district, water, sewer, roadway infrastructures and the safety of the general public. This list of potential impacts is not exhaustive and may include additional impacts, as identified.
2. There is hereby imposed, effective immediately, a 360-day moratorium on any new construction and development within the City of Lowell, MASSACHUSETTS, of "Data Centers", as defined above. Said moratorium prohibits acceptance by the City of Lowell of

any new applications and permits for zoning permissions and decisions for the intended purpose of the development and operation of a Data Center. Should the Lowell Zoning Code be amended prior to the expiration of the 360-day period to regulate Data Centers, the moratorium shall terminate on the effective date of amendment. The moratorium period may be extended, one (1) time, by a 2/3 vote of the City Council, not to exceed 180-days.

3. During the term of this moratorium, City staff shall review current Zoning Codes and Regulations, seek recommendations and input from industry experts and professionals with specific knowledge of Data Centers and any impacts these facilities have on the community, and to propose revisions to the Lowell Zoning Code, when deemed appropriate, to be placed before the Lowell City Council for consideration.
4. The Department of Planning and Development shall consult with other City departments to ensure any recommendations address the impact on power, water, sewer availability and capacity limitations, noise, as well as any potential legal implications. Said recommendations shall also consider the impact on traffic and any other adverse impact on adjacent infrastructure.
5. Emphasis should also be given to enforcement of regulations following construction and development, including operational limitations reasonably intended to ameliorate public concerns of legitimate land uses.
6. The Lowell Department of Planning and Development shall develop a timeline, within the 360-day period, to allow for recommendation and adoption of amendments to the Lowell Zoning Code in accordance with the procedures set forth in M.G.L. c. 40A. If during this study, staff find and conclude any provisions of the Lowell Zoning Code require revision(s), recommendation(s) shall be made accordingly to the Lowell City Council.

3. Amend Article XII: Table of Industrial Uses, by inserting a new section “w” as follows:

9. INDUSTRIAL USES	Zone Permitted	Min. Parking Req.	Notes		Shared Parking Chart
w. Data Centers	N/A	N/A			N/A

4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage in accordance with Section 1.7 of the "Lowell Zoning Ordinance" and the provisions of Chapter 43 and 40A of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Corey Williams  
City Solicitor



Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
*City Manager*

Shawn Machado  
*Assistant City Manager*

January 27, 2026

Mayor Erik R. Gitschier  
And  
Members of the Lowell City Council

RE: 360-Day Moratorium on “Data Centers”

Dear Mayor Gitschier and Members of the City Council:

Enclosed with this letter please find a proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 290 of the Code of Ordinances City of Lowell by adding language to place a 360-day moratorium on any new construction or development of “Data Centers” within the City.

With the proliferation of Data Center expansion in Massachusetts, many cities and towns have taken moratoriums under advisement, in order to review their zoning and land use, and to formulate regulations governing the impacts of these facilities. The purpose of this temporary moratorium is to provide the City an opportunity to better understand the impacts on infrastructure and overall quality of life for residents that the construction, expansion, and operation of Data Centers will have on City.

This ordinance amendment comes before you by way of a request by the City Council on January 13, 2026. With guidance from the Department of Planning and Development, the Law Department has prepared a vote to authorize the passage of this proposed ordinance amendment.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.  
City Manager

CITY OF LOWELL  
PETITION  
TO THE  
CITY COUNCIL

Nadia RaKim  
61 Chestnut St.  
Apt #3 01852  
Lowell, MA  
Requesting Handicap Sign  
In City Council

January 27, 2026

Read and

Clerk

To Whom It May Concern,

Jan 20, 2025

I'm writing this note to request a handicap parking space for my son at 61 Chestnut St #3 Lowell, MA 01852. Please if possible when facing building on right side.

Thank You  
Nydia Rakim  
978-995-4422  
Nydia Rakim

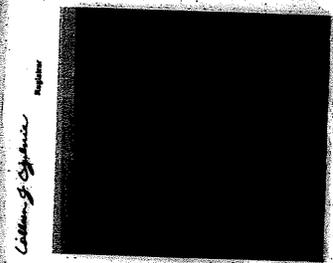
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JAN 20 '25 PM3:15

PL 9330926

Expires:

09-29-27

Disabled Persons  
Parking Identification Placard



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Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts

**CITY OF LOWELL**  
**PETITION**

TO THE  
CITY COUNCIL

Maria D. OLSEN  
142-144 Emmell St,  
Lowell Mass 01850

Request handi-cap  
sign at home address  
142-144 Emmell St

In City Council

January 27, 2026

Read and

Clerk

January 21, 2026

My name is Maria S. Olsen I'm 70 y/old  
My Address is 142-144 Inwood Street  
Lowell MA 01850

I'm request a handicap space sign  
for my house.

My handicap placard is PL9400005  
expiration date 9/24-30

Cordially,

Maria Olsen

(978) 996-8878  
996-5747

RCVD LOWELL CITY CLERK  
JAN 21 '26 AM 10:53

**PL9400005**

**Expires:**

**09-24-30**

**Disabled Persons  
Parking Identification Placard**



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MARIA

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**Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts**



Important: Remove before driving vehicle

PL 9400005

NON-TRANSFERABLE

09-24-30

### WARNING

Wrongful use by any other person carries 60 day loss of license, placard revocation, \$500 fine for 1st offense. \$50 fine for covering placard number/date.



For use in private passenger vehicle only  
Mass.gov/RMV

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

Middlesex St @ 13 Wood St

Reason As part of the Rourke Bridge replacement project, the relocation of an existing National Grid Electric utility pole will be required.

Date Submitted 12/2/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Concrete

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO

Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO

Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

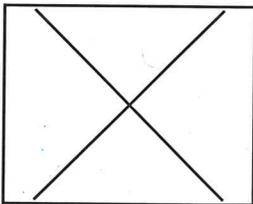
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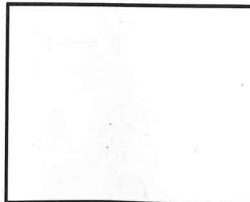
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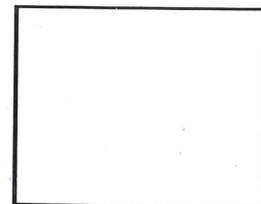
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

David Beati

## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

557 Varnum Ave

Reason National Grid Electric is requesting permission to install a new utility pole with a recloser. A recloser helps improve reliability by automatically switching and restoring power after temporary outages.

Date Submitted 9/22/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material No Sidewalk

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

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Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

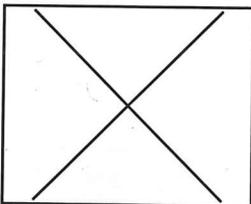
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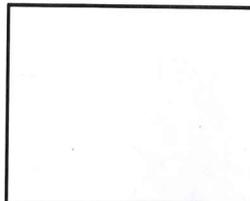
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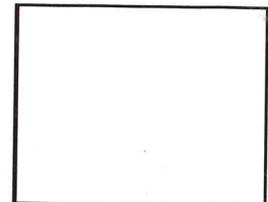
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

1158 Gorham St

Reason

Date Submitted 12/30/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Asphalt

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO

Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO

Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

Are ADA requirements being met? YES  NO

Comments

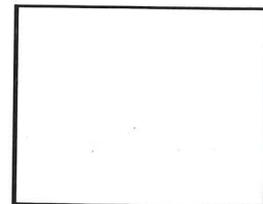
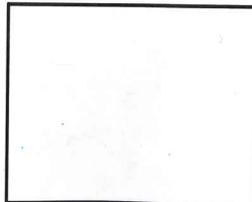
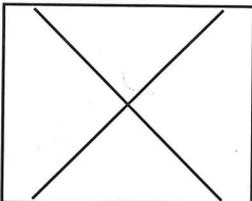
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Assistant City Engineer

David R Beati \_\_\_\_\_

## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

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Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

145 Pawtucket St

Reason National Grid Electric is requesting permission to install a new utility pole with a recloser. A recloser helps improve reliability by automatically switching and restoring power after temporary outages.

Date Submitted 10/20/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Concrete

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

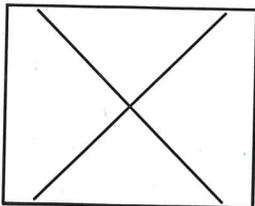
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- Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO
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- Are ADA requirements being met? YES  NO

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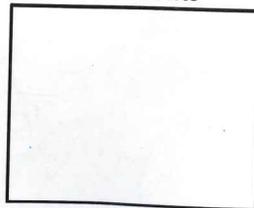
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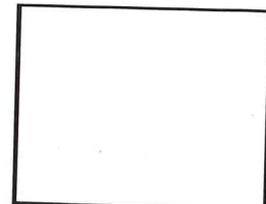
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

15 West Meadow Rd

Reason National Grid Electric is requesting permission to install a new utility pole with a recloser. A recloser helps improve reliability by automatically switching and restoring power after temporary outages

Date Submitted 10/23/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Asphalt

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

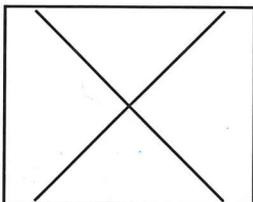
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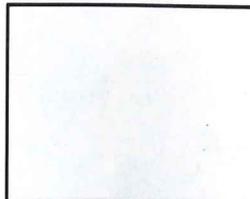
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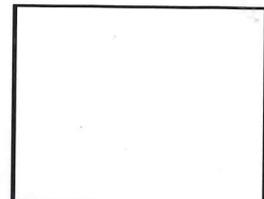
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer: David Beati

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

308 Stevens St

Reason National Grid Electric is requesting permission to install a new utility pole with a recloser. A recloser helps improve reliability by automatically switching and restoring power after temporary outages

Date Submitted 10/20/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Asphalt

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Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO

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Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

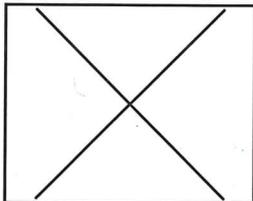
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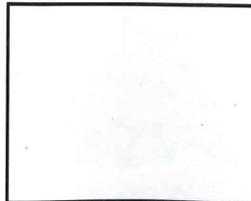
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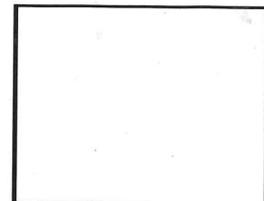
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

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Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

316 Mammoth Rd

Reason National Grid Electric is requesting permission to install a new utility pole with a recloser. A recloser helps improve reliability by automatically switching and restoring power after temporary outages

Date Submitted 10/23/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Asphalt

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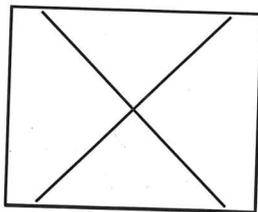
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- Are ADA requirements being met? YES  NO

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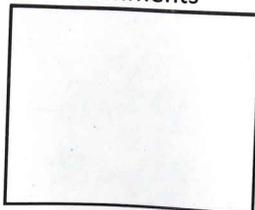
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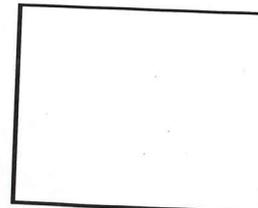
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David Beati, P.E.  
Assistant City Engineer

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## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

9-11 Columbia St

Reason As part of the Rourke Bridge replacement project, the relocation of an existing National Grid Electric utility pole will be required.

Date Submitted 12/2/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material No Sidewalk

**Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)**

Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO

Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO

Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

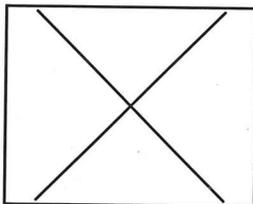
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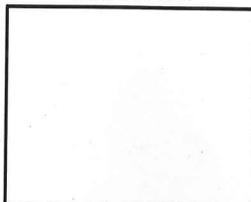
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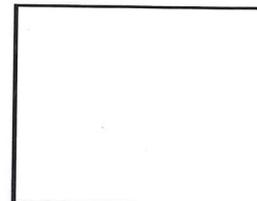
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David Beati, P.E.

Assistant City Engineer: David Beati

## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

12 Wood St

Reason As part of the Rourke Bridge replacement project, the relocation of a new National Grid Electric utility pole will be required.

Date Submitted 12/2/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Concrete

Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)

Are Sidewalk Vaults present?

YES  NO

Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium?

YES  NO

Is this location within the Flood Plain?

YES  NO

Are ADA requirements being met?

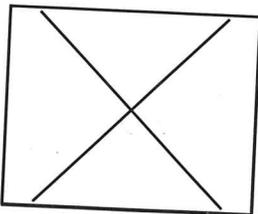
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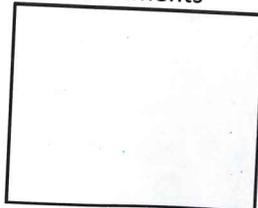
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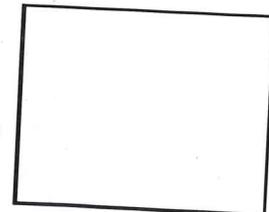
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Assistant City Engineer: David Beati

# Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

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Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

Gorham St at Weinbeck St & in Front of 1170  
Gorham St

Reason National Grid Electric upgraded the power line on Manchester Street, resulting in an overhead line too close to a residence. Two new utility poles are needed to relocate the line and restore proper clearance.

Date Submitted 12/10/2025

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Concrete

Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)

- Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO
- Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO
- Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO
- Are ADA requirements being met? YES  NO

Comments

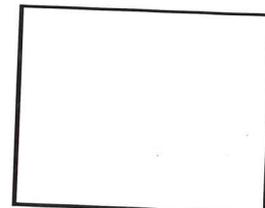
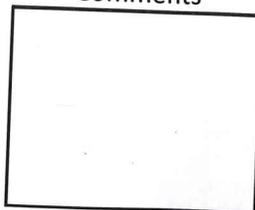
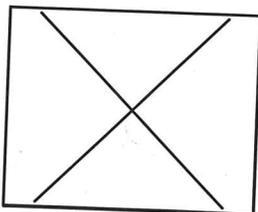
Will need to replace sidewalk panels.

Outcome of Review

Recommended

Recommended With  
Comments

Not Recommended



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Assistant City Engineer      David R Beati

## Review of Utility Company Request for New Conduit/Pole Location

11

Applicant Information

Project Address

Utility  
(Select one) Electric

Middlesex St from Edwards St to Dingwell St

Reason National Grid Electric is proposing to remove one utility pole and relocate four utility poles as part of the Rourke Bridge Replacement Project.

Date Submitted 12/2/2026

Review done by Joseph Cady

Sidewalk Material Concrete

Note: Sidewalk material to be replaced in kind (Concrete in full panels only)

Are Sidewalk Vaults present? YES  NO

Is Work on Street under a Paving Moratorium? YES  NO

Is this location within the Flood Plain? YES  NO

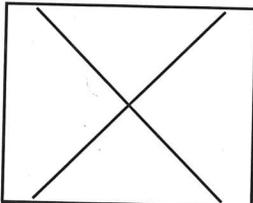
Are ADA requirements being met? YES  NO

Comments

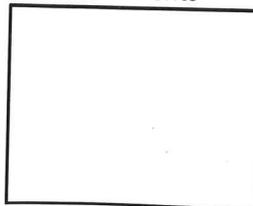
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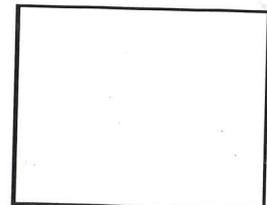
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