



Lowell City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: February 3, 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 27th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2026 JANUARY 27 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

4.1. C. Nuon - Reg. City Mgr. Work With The OPM To Provide To City Council A Finding Of The Structural Engineer Review Of The 1892 Building At Lowell High School.

4.2. C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Report On The Feasibility Of Implementing A Community Benefit Agreement Ordinance In Lowell. Report To Include A Process For Distributing Developer Contributions Earmarked For Community Benefits That Are Generated From Large-Scale Real Estate Projects. The Proposed Ordinance Should Ensure That There Is A Transparent And Inclusive Framework For: Considering How Large-Scale Developments Impact A Community; Identifying And Ranking Community's Needs, And Distributing Community Benefit Contributions In A Manner That Addresses Those Needs.

4.3. C. Nuon / C. Liang - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Report

That Examines How Arterial (Both Minor And Major) Streets Are Cleared In Winter Hopefully Easing The Difficulty Of Clearing Sidewalks For Residents, Especially The Elderly And People Without Snowblowers. Focus Should Be Repeated Plowing That Piles More Salt Laden Snow, And Snowbanks At Intersections That Make It Virtually Impossible For Residents To Clear Access To Crosswalks.

- 4.4. C. Nuon / C. Liang - Req. City Mgr. Invite The Citizens Advisory Committee/LPD To Appear Before The Public Safety SC To Provide A Presentation.
- 4.5. C. Liang - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Departments Inspect LHS And Other School Buildings To Ensure Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) Are Installed In Secure, Easily Accessible Locations, And That Teachers And Other Personnel Are Fully Equipped To Use These Devices During Emergencies.
- 4.6. C. Liang - Req. City Mgr., For Public Safety And Precaution, Have Appropriate Departments Work On Installing Additional Lighting Around City Hall, 375 Merrimack Street, Extending Beyond 50 Feet From The Building, Particularly In The Side Area Near The Monuments, Where Activities And Events Commonly Occur.
- 4.7. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Evaluate And Take The Necessary Steps To Install Sidewalks Along Woburn Street To Improve Pedestrian Safety And Access.
- 4.8. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Have The Appropriate Department Report On The Feasibility Of Using Parks With Dedicated Parking Lots As Overflow Parking During Snow Emergencies To Increase Neighborhood Access.
- 4.9. C. Juran - Req. City Mgr. To Provide A Debrief About The Recent Snow Storm: E.g., What The City And The Residents Respectively Did Well Or Could Do Better, What Best Practices And Metrics The City Applies And What Lessons Were Learned That It Will Apply In The Future, Measures Of Plowing Quantity And Quality, And How Was Information Communicated Regarding Residents' Vs. City's Responsibility For Parking, Shoveling/Plowing, Etc.
- 4.10. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A List Of Possible Staging Locations In Centralville That Will Minimize The Impact To Our Residents.
- 4.11. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide A Report On The Possibility Of Remote Board Of Parks Permitting Opportunities For The Public, Especially During Winter Months.
- 4.12. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Look Into A 24 Hour Construction Webcam Monitoring System That Provides Continuous, 360 Degree High Definition Live Streaming Of The Rourke Bridge Project For The Community To Be Able To Access And View The Progress In Real Time.
- 4.13. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. And Council Send A Formal Letter To The Chair Of The Senate Ways And Means Senator Michael Rodrigues Expressing Lowell's Support Senate Bill #S.2721, Reiterating The Critical Importance Of This Bill To The Public Health, Environment And Residents Of Lowell And Ask Them To Vote Out The Bill Favorably.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

5.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Folk Festival Funding
- B) Motion Response - Letter LTLC

Documents:

- A) MOTION RESPONSE - FOLK FESTIVAL FUNDING.PDF
- B) MOTION RESPONSE - LETTER LTLC.PDF

5.2. Informational Report

Informational Report - Centralville SRF

Documents:

[INFORMATIONAL REPORT - CENTRALVILLE SRF.PDF](#)

5.3. Communication - Reappointment Of Jeffrey Harris To Historic Board

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - REAPPOINTMENT OF JEFFREY HARRIS TO HISTORIC BOARD.PDF](#)

6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

6.1. Vote – Accept MGL C.40 S.71 - School Bus Violation Detection Monitoring

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPT MGL C.40 S.71 - SCHOOL BUS VIOLATION DETECTION MONITORING.PDF](#)

6.2. Vote - Establish School Bus Violation Stabilization Fund

Documents:

[VOTE - ESTABLISH SCHOOL BUS VIOLATION STABILIZATION FUND.PDF](#)

6.3. Vote - Authorize CM To File Special Legislation

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE CM TO FILE SPECIAL LEGISLATION.PDF](#)

7. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

7.1. Ordinance - Amend Zoning - Data Center Moratorium

Documents:

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

7.2. Ordinance - Amend Chap 222.24 - School Bus Violation

Documents:

[ORDINANCE - AMEND CHAP 222.24 - SCHOOL BUS VIOLATION.PDF](#)

8. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

9. PETITIONS

9.1. Claims - (2) Property Damage.

9.2. Misc. - Jennifer Mahoney-Brum Request Permission To Address City Council Regarding Construction At The Mahoney Softball Field Monument.

Documents:

[2026 FEBRUARY 3 JENNIFER MAHONEY BRUM SOFTBALL FIELD-MONUMENT.PDF](#)

9.3. National Grid - Request Installation Of (1) SO Pole At 242 Church Street.

Documents:

[2026 FEBRUARY 3 NAT GRID CHURCH ST POLE AGENDA.PDF](#)

10. CITY COUNCIL - EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.1. Executive Session - To Consider And Discuss The Purchase, Exchange, Lease, Or Value Of Real Property (The Senior Center, 276 Broadway Street), Public Discussion Of Which May Have A Detrimental Effect On The Negotiating Position Of The City.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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