



Lowell City Council *Regular Meeting Agenda*

Date: February 15, 2022

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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2.2. Citation - Raul Cardona Oquendo.

2.3. Citation - Lee Furusa (Dwelling House Of Hope).

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of Auditor/Clerk Oversight And Personnel SC February 8th; City Council Regular Meeting February 8th; Finance SC Joint With Neighborhoods SC February 9th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2022 FEBRUARY 8 AUDITOR CLERK SC MINUTES.PDF](#)
[2022 FEBRUARY 8 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

4.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Vacant Positions
- B) Motion Response - Catch Basin Cleaning
- C) Motion Response - Training by Police Officers
- D) Motion Response - Officer Retirements and Staffing Issues
- E) Motion Response - LETF Funds
- F) Motion Response - Stop Markings
- G) Motion Response - Durkin Crosswalk

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- A) MOTION RESPONSE - VACANT POSITIONS.PDF
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- D) MOTION RESPONSE - OFFICER RETIREMENTS AND STAFFING ISSUES.PDF
- E) MOTION RESPONSE - LETF FUNDS.PDF
- F) MOTION RESPONSE - STOP MARKINGS.PDF
- G) MOTION RESPONSE - DURKIN CROSSWALK.PDF

4.2. Informational Reports

- H) Informational - To Go Parking Program
- I) Informational - MBTA Zoning
- J) Informational - Master Plan
- K) Informational - Gallagher Station TOD Plan

Documents:

- H) INFORMATIONAL - TO GO PARKING PROGRAM.PDF
- I) INFORMATIONAL - MBTA ZONING.PDF
- J) INFORMATIONAL - MASTER PLAN.PDF
- K) INFORMATIONAL - GALLAGHER STATION TOD PLAN.PDF

5. **VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

5.1. Vote - A Place To Live CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

- VOTE - A PLACE TO LIVE CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF

5.2. Vote - Acre Crossing CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - ACRE CROSSING CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.3. Vote - Church St_99 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - CHURCH ST_99 CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.4. Vote - Clemente Park CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - CLEMENTE PARK CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.5. Vote - Downtown Lowell Building Restoration CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - DOWNTOWN LOWELL BUILDING RESTORATION CPC
FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.6. Vote - Gorham St_80 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - GORHAM ST_80 CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.7. Vote - Merrimack St_375 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - MERRIMACK ST_375 CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.8. Vote - Merrimack St_555 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - MERRIMACK ST_555 CPC FUNDING
RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.9. Vote - OnePlusLowell CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - ONEPLUSLOWELL CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.10. Vote - Varnum Ave_1413 1415 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - VARNUM AVE_1413 1415 CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.11. Vote - Worthen St_243 CPC Funding Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - WORTHEN ST_243 CPC FUNDING RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

5.12. Vote - Submit For Reimbursement FY21 Foster Care Expenses

Documents:

[VOTE - SUBMIT FOR REIMBURSEMENT FY21 FOSTER CARE EXPENSES.PDF](#)

6. ORDERS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

6.1. Loan Order - Historic Preservation Bonds

Documents:

[LOAN ORDER - HISTORIC PRESERVATION BONDS.PDF](#)

6.2. Loan Order - Open Space And Recreation Bonds

Documents:

[LOAN ORDER - OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION BONDS.PDF](#)

7. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

7.1. Finance SC Joint With Neighborhoods SC February 9, 2022.

8. PETITIONS

8.1. Claims - (4) Property Damage.

8.2. Misc. - Soeung Suon Request Installation Of Handicap Parking Sign At 374 Walker Street.

Documents:

9. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 9.1. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have The Engineering Department Look Into Adding Grass Strips Between The Road And Sidewalks On Highland Avenue During The Upcoming Paving Project.
- 9.2. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Report On The Payroll Direct Deposit Issues For City And School Employees.
- 9.3. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Send A Letter To The State Delegation And The Governor Respectfully Requesting An Increase In The State Chapter 90 Funding From 200 Million To 300 Million State Wide.
- 9.4. C. Robinson/C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Provide Council With Policy On Appointing, Replacing, Backfilling And Filling Vacant Seats On The Lowell High School Building Committee.
- 9.5. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Department And/OR Community Organization To Identify And Roll Out A Pilot Project Utilizing Moss As A Medium For Mural And Art Installations.
- 9.6. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Department On The Feasibility Of Installing A Street Light On Burrell Place.
- 9.7. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Department To Establish A Logo Or Button On The City Of Lowell's Website That Takes Users Directly To All Youth Programming Opportunities.
- 9.8. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Repair/Replace Roof On City Property At 77 Arch Street.
- 9.9. C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Explore The Feasibility Of Allowing Volunteer Groups To Assist With Maintenance Issues At Local Firehouses.
- 9.10. C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Report To City Council Regarding Municipal Broadband Plan Throughout The City.
- 9.11. C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Provide Update Regarding Sidewalk Plan Throughout The City For Summer Of 2022.
- 9.12. C. Leahy - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Report On The Status Of The Veteran's Park On Douglas Road.
- 9.13. C. Rourke - Req. City Mgr. Remove Mask Mandate In City Buildings.
- 9.14. C. Yem - Req. City Mgr. Develop A One Stop Shop For Licensing And Permits.
- 9.15. C. Yem - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Report On A Process To Change Voting System To Elect The Mayor.
- 9.16. C. Drinkwater/C. Nuon - Req. City Mgr. Provide An Update On The Lowell Equity And Inclusion Fund; Including The Amount Of Money Raised To Date And The Process For Allocating Funds.

- 9.17. M. Chau - Req. City Council Refer To Auditor/Clerk Oversight And Personnel SC To Report And Establish Procedure And Timeline For Search And Appointment Of A New City Manager.
- 9.18. M. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Direct Appropriate Department To Develop A "Pothole Rapid Response" Team And Plan For Responding To The Complaints Of Damage To The City Streets.
- 9.19. M. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Direct The Proper Department To Replace The Lights On The Telephone Poles At The Public Parking Lot At Cupples Square Bordered By Coral, Leroy And Loring Streets To Promote Safety For Residents And Business Owners.

10. CITY COUNCIL - EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 10.1. Executive Session - Regarding Litigation Update, Public Discussion Of Which Could Have A Detrimental Effect On The City's Position.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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