



Lowell City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: February 14, 2023

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:

Meetings Will Be Held In Council Chamber With Public Welcome And By Using Remote Participation As Follows: Members Of The Public May View The Meeting Via LTC.Org (On-Line; Live Streaming; Or Local Cable Channel 99). 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 Issued Zoom Link To The Meeting. Email Address Is MGEARY@LOWELLMA.GOV. If No Access To Email You May Contact City Clerk At 978-674-4161. All Request Must Be Done Before 4:00 PM On The Day Of Meeting. 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)

2.2. Citation - Black History Month - Tracy Mitchell.

2.3. Citation - Brandon Estrella.

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of Neighborhoods SC February 7th; City Council Regular Meeting February 7th For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2023 FEBRUARY 7 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

[2023 FEBRUARY 7 NEIGHBORHOODS SC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1. Ordinance - Amend Zoning

<HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLMMA.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/22167?FILEID=45733>

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

5.1. Motion Responses

A) Motion Response - LTLC Process and Procedures

B) Motion Response - Miniature Shelter Units

C) Motion Response - DEI Policies from BPDA

D) Motion Response - Body Worn Cameras Presentation

Documents:

A) MOTION RESPONSE - LTLC PROCESS AND PROCEDURES.PDF

B) MOTION RESPONSE - MINIATURE SHELTER UNITS.PDF

C) MOTION RESPONSE - DEI POLICIES FROM BPDA.PDF

D) MOTION RESPONSE - BODY WORN CAMERAS PRESENTATION.PDF

5.2. Informational Reports

Informational Report - Free Cash Certification and Recommendation

Informational Report - Community Preservation Act Funding Request (WITH ATTACHMENTS)

Documents:

INFORMATIONAL REPORT - FREE CASH CERTIFICATION AND RECOMMENDATION.PDF

INFORMATIONAL REPORT - COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDING REQUEST (WITH ATTACHMENTS).PDF

5.3. Communication - Planning Board Recommendation Zoning Amendment Off Street Parking DMU Zoning District.

Documents:

2023 FEBRUARY 14 PLANNING BD REC ZONING AMEND OFF STREET DMU ZONE.PDF

5.4. Communication - Appointment Of Allison Dolan-Wilson To Planning Board

Documents:

[COMMUNICATION - APPOINTMENT OF ALLISON DOLAN-WILSON TO PLANNING BOARD.PDF](#)

6. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

6.1. Vote - Accept/Expend \$5,500 MCC Grant- CASE

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPTEXPEND 5,500 MCC GRANT- CASE.PDF](#)

6.2. Vote - Accept/Expend \$75,000 MCC Grant - Library

Documents:

[VOTE - ACCEPTEXPEND 75,000 MCC GRANT - LIBRARY.PDF](#)

6.3. Vote - Authorize CM Ex. Temporary Access Agreement With Edward Page Corporation

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE CM EX. TEMPORARY ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH EDWARD PAGE CORPORATION.PDF](#)

6.4. Vote - Authorize CM Ex. Temporary Access Agreement With Henry General Contractors, Inc.

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE CM EX. TEMPORARY ACCESS AGREEMENT WITH HENRY GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC..PDF](#)

6.5. Vote - Transfer \$106,000 - DPW/DPD

Documents:

[VOTE - TRANSFER 106,000 - DPW.DPD.PDF](#)

6.6. Vote - FY22 Free Cash Certification And Recommendation

Documents:

[VOTE - FY22 FREE CASH CERTIFICATION AND RECOMMENDATION.PDF](#)

7. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

7.1. Public Safety SC February 14, 2023

7.2. Wire Insp. - Boston Gas DbA National Grid To Relocate Approximately 26 Ft Of

An Existing 6 In Gas Main.

Documents:

[2023 FEBRUARY 14 BOSTON GAS DBA NATIONAL GRID
RELOCATE 26 FT OF 6 IN GAS MAIN MEADOWCROFT ST.PDF](#)

8. PETITIONS

- 8.1. Claims - (2) Property Damage
- 8.2. Mass Electric Dba National Grid - Install 1 JO Pole 5-3 And Extend Secondary To New Pole On Burnside St

Documents:

[2023 FEBRUARY 14 NATIONAL GRID 1 JO POLE BURNSIDE ST
AGENDA.PDF](#)

9. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 9.1. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Department And The Neighbor To The Greenhalge School On Ennell Street To Remove Old Gate, Adjust Signage, Consider Installing Section Of Walkway And Develop A Beautification Plan To The Area.
- 9.2. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Look Into Training Surrounding Art Installation Projects For Members Of Administration Tasked With This Responsibility Via NEFA "Making It Public For MA Artists" Program.
- 9.3. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Provide A Report On The Weight Difference With Old And New Vacs For Downtown And Are The Newly Acquired Equipment Suitable To Be Operated On Our Aging Infrastructure.
- 9.4. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Copy Of Current LAZ Insurance Policy And Update On Parking Garages Infrastructure Status.
- 9.5. C. Robinson/C. Gitschier/C. Jenness - Req. City Mgr. Work With Proper Departments And Lowell Youth Baseball And Softball League To Coordinate A Citywide "Opening Day" Ceremony/Parade In Downtown, Similar To Festival Of Lights Parade.
- 9.6. C. Robinson/C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Work With The University And Lowell Youth Baseball And Softball League To Establish And Plan A Date For Tournament Utilizing LeLacheur Park.
- 9.7. C. Robinson/C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Provide An Update On The Anticipated Upgrades To All Baseball And Softball Fields, Citywide Including Details Such As Laser Grading As Well As Timeline.
- 9.8. C. Gitschier/C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Withhold All Funding To The LTC (Lowell Telecommunications) Until The Employees Union Dispute Is Resolved.
- 9.9. C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Update The City Council On Repairs Made To The

Voting Machine For The Hearing Impaired.

- 9.10. C. Scott - Req. City Mgr. Have The Appropriate Department Provide An Update On The Current Status Of The Vacant Property At 48 Kinsman Street And Other Similar Properties That Have Fallen Into Disrepair And Any Improvements That Can Be Made To The Process.
- 9.11. C. Scott/C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Report On The Process Used For Appointment To The LTC (Lowell Telecommunication) Seats Dedicated To The City Council And The City Manager Appointments.
- 9.12. C. Nuon/C. Robinson - Req. Mayor Urge The Lowell School Committee To Withhold Retaining Outside Counsel For 6 Weeks To Enable The City Law Department To Investigate Any Possible Claims.
- 9.13. C. Drinkwater/C. Robinson/C. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Have The Law Department Draft An Ordinance Requiring That All Contractors And Subcontractors Working On City Construction Projects Valued At Over \$1 Million Employ Apprentices Registered In A Bona Fide Apprentice Training Program, And Establishing Minimum Apprentice Ratios.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

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