

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAWRENCE CITY COUNCIL

Date & Time: Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: City Council Chambers, Lawrence City Hall,
200 Common Street, Lawrence, MA

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@ 4:30 P.M.

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting will be hybrid, allowing participation both in person in the City Council Chamber and remotely.

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AGENDA

- Roll Call
- Moment of Silence
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Minutes
 - 12/04/2025 Special Meeting
 - 12/04/2025 Regular Meeting
 - 12/16/2025 Regular Meeting
 - 01/05/2026 Inaugural Meeting
 - 01/06/2026 Special Meeting
 - 01/12/2026 Special Meeting
- Public Participation

Public Hearings:

298/25 Install One [1] JO Pole and one mid-span pole [P774-50] on Mt Vernon St at Crestwood Circle [REF # 31130641]
- Dave Johnson, National Grid

299/25 Install One [1] JO Pole and one mid-span pole [P746-50] on Mt Vernon St near James St [REF # 31130847] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

399/25 Handicapped Parking - 288 Lawrence Street – Christy Milagros Ramirez Gutierrez

401/25 Handicapped Parking - 25 Belmont St.– Thomas Polanco

402/25 Handicapped Parking - 81 Bunker Hill Street - Dinora Candelario

403/25 Handicapped Parking - 94 Dracut Street – Marcelina Vasquez

404/25 Handicapped Parking - 52 Basswood Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario

407/25 Install JO Pole on Berkeley Street near Montgomery Street [REF # 31193102] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

410/25 Install JO Pole on Brookfield Street near Bowdoin Street [REF # 31197534] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

411/25 Install JO Pole on Shepard Street near Glenn Street [REF # 31196021] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

412/25 Install JO Pole on Andover Street near intersection of Tewksbury Street and Coolidge Street
[REF # 31196036] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

424/25 Handicapped Parking – 124 Trenton Street – Felipe Hidalgo

437/25 Handicapped Parking -197 Crawford Street – Georgina F. Martinez Robles

438/25 Handicapped Parking - 47 Abbott Street – Angel Romero DeJesus

439/25 Handicapped Parking - 151 Willow Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario and Dominga Parra

440/25 Handicapped Parking - 87 Trenton Street, Unit # 1 – Ana Pinero

443/25 Child Care Parking - 11 Platt Street – Councilor Celina Reyes and Katherine Santana

460/25 Handicapped Parking – 41 Juniper St – Councilor Gregory Delrosario

461/25 Handicapped Parking – 15 Brook Street – Luis Angel Morales Santiago

462/25 Handicapped Parking – 87-89 Springfield Street – Marion Gonzalez

463/25 Handicapped Parking – 2 May Street – Teodora Peralta

Matters Pending a Public Hearing:

103B/22 Request to change Ordinances-(Program Coordinator for Economic Development)-Ord. 2.104.060(Human Rights Executive Director)-Mayor Brian A. DePeña.

200/21 4 Point Stop Signs-East Haverhill and Berkeley Street-Counc. De La Cruz-Communication received from City Attorney on June 29, 2022 regarding report received from City Engineer on June 28, 2022.

112/22 Fifteen Minute Parking-83 Warwick Street [Mon-Fri 8am-6pm]-Nereida Madera-Pub. Hrg. Ordered

271/22 Stop Signs on Salem Street (East and West Bound Directions) at the Foster St. Intersection-President Laplante

429/23 Discontinue the Use of a Portion of Bay State Road as a Public Way [from McFarlin St to Jordan St]
– Daniel McCarthy, Land Use Planner

437/24 Handicapped Parking, 219 Prospect Street – Cornelio Villa Sanchez [Need Measurements]

440/24 Child Care Parking, 6 Knox St. – Counc. Ana Levy [Need Measurements]

573/24 Stop Sign, High Street at Highlawn Ave – Counc. Fidelina Santiago

46/25 Rezoning a Portion of City Land off of Bay State Road and Jordan Street from General Industrial (I-2) to Open Space Recreation (OCR) – Dan McCarthy, Acting Planning Director

Communication from Mayor, City Officials & City Attorney: [None]

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee:

479/25 Appropriation of Funds [\$2,000,000] for Schematic Design Phase, Massachusetts School Building Authority Accelerated Repair Program – Odanis Hernandez, Chief Operating Officer, Lawrence Public Schools

480/25 Auth to Expend [\$232,000.00] MA Office on Disability FY26 ADA Improvement Grant – Richard Rodriguez, ADA Coordinator

482/25 Appropriation Transfer [\$280,400.65] from FREE CASH to the Rail Trail Project Acct (050910-5059) – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director

Housing Committee: [NO REPORT]

Ordinance Committee:

484/25 Creation of Ordinance for new position - “Energy Advocate” in the Office of Planning and Development – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director [Pending Language from City Attorney]

485/25 Disclosure of a Conflict by a Municipal Employee – Jennifer Duran, Asst City Clerk

486/25 Disclosure of a Conflict by a Municipal Employee – Maria Vidal, Asst Tax Assessor

491/25 Installation of Conduit at Lowell Street [Near Pole P3043] – Gabriel Albisu, Verizon

492/25 Request Grant of Utility Easement from City of Lawrence to Verizon – Gabriel Albisu, Verizon

Personnel Committee: [NO REPORT]

Public Safety Committee: [NO REPORT]

Economic Development Committee: [NO REPORT]

Committee of the Whole: [NO REPORT]

Old Business:

477/25 Remove Handicapped Parking - 25 Durham Street – Miguel A. Salazar [W]

Tabled Matters: [updated: 12-16-25]:

72/16 Residency Requirement-City Employees – Home Rule Petition – Review – Council Pres. Vasquez; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception

125/17 Establishing maximum motor vehicle speed city wide to 25mph–Request to Amend Chapter 10.26 – Council Pres. Vasquez & Councilor. Rodriguez -Public Hearing Opened & Closed; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception

444/23 Requesting of Voting ID – Counc. Ana Levy and Counc. Gregory Delrosario [OPH]; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception

245/25 Adopt new FIRM Floodplain Map for the City and Approve Amendment of the City’s Floodplain Management Ordinance (Chapter 15.32) with latest Regulations from National Flood Insurance Program – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director [Approved 07-07-2025, Reviewed for Possible Reconsideration] [T] 11-18-2025; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception

396/25 Auto Recycles Group, LLC - Junk Dealer Permit [JDC25-000001] 48-50 Medford Street – Daniel O’Brien [T] 11-06-2025; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception

New Business:

004/26 SEIU Local 3 Laborers Union Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) – Transfer [\$95,279] from General Fund and Enterprise Fund Accounts to various salary funds, to fund the CBA – Ramona Ceballos, CAFO

005/26 SEIU Local 3 Inspectors Union Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) – Transfer [\$42,552] from General Fund Account to Inspectional Services, Salary and Wages Account, to fund the CBA – Ramona Ceballos, CAFO

006/26 SEIU Local 3 Clerical Union Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) – Transfer [\$83,504] from General Fund and Enterprise Fund Accounts to various salary funds, to fund the CBA – Ramona Ceballos, CAFO

007/26 Approval of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Agreement between ARGi, LLC and the City of Lawrence for property located at 470 Broadway – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director

008/25 Transfer Funds [\$100,000.00] from Emergency Management Permanent Salary and Wages (012910-5110) to Professional Services (012910-5300) - Paul Maccarone, Director of Support Service, LFD for Chief Patrick Delaney

009/26 Disclosure of Conflict by Municipal Employee – Michael Armano

010/26 Stop Signs [2] - Myrtle Street and Alma Street – Counc. Gregory Delrosario and Chayanne Rivera

011/26 Install Traffic Light – Prospect Street at Community Day Public Charter School – Counc. Vice President Ana Levy

012/26 Handicapped Parking - 69 Bigelow Street – Margarita Rosa

013/26 Handicapped Parking - 24 Eutaw Street – Iris A. Texidor

014/26 Handicapped Parking - 94 Myrtle Street – Rosa Cruz

015/26 Handicapped Parking – 87 Trenton Street – Counc. Rosaly Gonzalez, State Rep. Estela Reyes and Ana B. Pinero

016/26 Amend Time for “Resident Parking” on West Street to 7 p.m. – 7 a.m. [DOC # 416/23 established 3 p.m. – 5 a.m.] – Councilor Vivian Marmol

017/26 Remove [2] Stop Signs Canal Street [Intersection at Appleton St and at Mill St] – Counc. Pres. J Rodriguez

018/26 Adopt City-wide Speed Hump program – Counc. President Jeovanny Rodriguez

019/26 Resident Parking, Albion St from Avon St - Councilor Wendy Luzon

020/26 Resident Parking – Lincoln Court – Counc. Wendy Luzon

021/26 Resident Parking – Trinity Street – Councilor Wendy Luzon

022/26 Update on Status of Litigation regarding Lawrence Redevelopment Authority [LRA] Property Transfers [Executive Session Anticipated] – Counc. President Jeovanny Rodriguez and Attorney Timothy Houten

023/26 Confirm Appointment of Charlinett Pascual as Director of Community Development [LATE FILE] – Santiago Matias, Acting Director of Planning and Development

024/26 Auth to Expend [\$1,649,561] Chapter 130 FHWA Railway-Highway Crossing Grant from MassDOT – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director