

REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING OF THE LAWRENCE CITY COUNCIL

Date & Time: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: City Council Chambers, 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 for Council Approval

Public Participation

Public Hearings:

158/22 Handicapped Parking-48-50 Saunders Street-Olimpia Ovalles Dominguez

159/22 Handicapped Parking, 5 State Street – Lucy Santiago & Counc. Infante

254/22 No Parking at any time from 5 Front Street to where Front Street connects with S. Broadway-Councilor Infante

297/22 Stop Sign, Forest Street (South East Forest St and Crescent St., Facing Forest St.) – Counc. Delrosario

298/22 Stop Sign, Forest Street (North East Forest St and Crescent St., Facing Crescent St.) – Counc. Delrosario

309/22 Handicapped Parking, 182 Water St. – Gregoria Reynoso

312/22 Stop Sign at intersection of Lenox Circle and Jefferson Street-Councilor Infante

322/22 Request for Obstruction/School Buses Only-Lebanon Street [7am-8am and 2pm-4pm]-Odanis Hernandez, Chief Operating Officer

348/22 Stop Sign-Andover St & Amherst St.-Councilor Infante

349/22 Stop Sign-Andover St. & Clifton St.-Councilor Infante

353/22 Handicapped Parking, 23 Springfield St. - Wilfred J. Mercure

359/22 Handicapped Parking, 265 Prospect St – Jose A. Torres

395/22 20 Bennett Street, Request for Parking Assistance/No Parking Sign – Fedelina Lopez Ramirez

403/22 Handicapped Parking – 1 Bunkerhill St.– Edwin Rios and Counc. VP Estela Reyes

405/22 Handicapped Parking – 32 Springfield St., Restricted Hours – Counc. Pres. Marc Laplante

406/22 Handicapped Parking – 300 Methuen St. - Maria Eusebio

412/22 Handicapped Parking – 2 Bennington St. #75 – Sonia Guzman

426/22 Handicapped Parking – 69 Lexington St., Apt # 3, Grace Trinidad

10/23 STOP Sign Request, Intersection of Shattuck and Carver Street – Counc. Stephany Infante & Audrey Farelli

61/23 Removal of Handicapped Parking Space, 67-69 Lynn St – Henry Misserville

Matters Pending a Public Hearing:

140/21 Handicapped Parking-132 Margin Street-Councilor Rodriguez

42/22 Request to add Hobson Street to Emergency Winter Parking Ban List-Jamiel Ortiz-Sent to City Attorney on 5/18/22, waiting on response from City Engineer

103B/22 Request to change Ordinances-(Program Coordinator for Economic Development)-Ord. 2.104.060(Human Rights

- Executive Director)-Mayor Brian A. DePeña.
- 105/22 Reclassification of the Chief Administrative Officer Position-Mayor Brian A. DePeña, sent to City Attorney 4/20/22
- 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 [Order Pubic Hearing – Pending Engineer Review and Recommendation]

Communication from Mayor, City Officials & City Attorney:

- 129/23 Lawrence Canals Update – Council President Laplante

Committee Reports:

Budget and Finance Committee:

- 90/23 Review and Approval of Annual Application to HUD for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) [\$1,551,622] and HOME Grant [\$944,075] – Susan Fink, Mngr of Financial and Administrative Services
- 91/23 SEIU Local 3 Clerical Union – Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), with Appropriation [\$112,100] for current year salary and wages - Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 92/23 SEIU Local 3 Water Union – Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), with Appropriation [\$15,000] for current year salary and wages - Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 119/23 Appropriation Transfer from Salary and Wages [\$43,092.50] to Professional Services, and Authorization to Pay Prior Year Bills – Rosa Shephard, LPD Director of Support Services

Housing Committee:

- 18/23 Disposition of Real Property @ 33-35 Alma Street [Map 149, Lot 26] – Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer
- 89/23 Direct Disposition of Real Property, 147-149 Essex St., (Map 106, Lot 53) – Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer

Ordinance Committee:

- 141/15 Handicapped Parking, 208 Willow Street – Carmen M. DeAlejo [Withdraw, Ordinance Exists]
- 209/19 Handicapped Parking, 16 Portland Street – Idalfa M. Espailat [Order Public Hearing]
- 290/21 Request for Ordinance Creating Position of Safety Manager in the Dept of Public Works – Gina LaGreca, Personnel Director (See Personnel Committee Report)
- 268/22 Stop Sign-Basswood Street [Corner of Arlington St.]-Councilor Celina Reyes [Order Public Hearing]
- 303/22 One Way-Basswood Street-Vice President Estela Reyes [Withdraw]
- 377/22 Amendment of Section of the Lawrence Zoning Ordinance for District I-4; Planned Industrial Dev. District– Daniel McCarthy, Land Use Planner [Order Public Hearing]
- 401/22 199-229 Broadway, Loading Zone at Bradford Street – Councilor Ana Levy and Mayor Brian A. DePeña [Order Public Hearing]
- 402/22 199-229 Broadway, Loading Zone at Concord Street – Councilor Ana Levy and Mayor Brian A. DePeña [Order Public Hearing]
- 407/22 Poplar Street, Resident Parking Only – Counc. Gregory Delrosario [Order Public Hearing]
- 408/22 National Grid-Marston St., Install (1) JO Pole 4642-50 – Dave Johnson NGrid Supervisor [Order Public Hearing]
- 16/23 One Hour Parking, Two (2) Spaces, 264-266 Lowell Street – Councilor Jeovanny Rodriguez [Order Public Hearing]
- 38/23 [2] No Parking, Here to Corner, Prospect St [Corner of Prospect Court] – Counc. Ana Levy [Withdraw]
- 39/23 Stop Sign, Facing Prospect Court – Councilor Ana Levy [Order Public Hearing]
- 57/23 Resident Parking Only – Alden Court [Monday – Sunday 6 p.m. – 8 a.m.] – Councs. Gregory Delrosario and Ana Levy [Order Public Hearing]
- 58/23 Loading Zone/School Bus Drop Off/Pick-Up, Garden Street, Esperanza Academy, September – June, [Monday – Friday 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.] – Counc. VP Estela Reyes [Order Public Hearing]
- 59/23 Loading Zone/School Bus Drop Off/Pick-Up, Garden Street, Northside Masonic Hall, Esperanza Academy, September – June, [Monday – Friday 7 a.m. – 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.] – Counc. VP Estela Reyes [Order Public Hearing]
- 93/23 Reliable LLC, Renewal of Taxi/Livery License – Sgt. Melix Bonilla, Lawrence Police Department

- 94/23 Town Livery Inc., Renewal of Taxi/Livery License – Sgt. Melix Bonilla, Lawrence Police Department
- 95/23 Basswood St - One Way [from Arlington toward to Stearns continuing to Alder St] - Counc. Delrosario, Counc. Levy, Counc. C. Reyes, Mayor Brian De Peña and DPW Director, J. Jaime [Withdraw]
- 96/23 Hemlock St - One Ways [from Basswood St to Lawrence St] - Counc. Delrosario, Counc. Levy, Counc. C. Reyes, Mayor Brian De Peña and DPW Director, J. Jaime [Withdraw]
- 97/23 South Side of Alder St No Parking Any time [from Lawrence St to Spruce St], [Parking Allow on North Side of Alder St] - Counc. Delrosario, Counc. Levy, Counc. C. Reyes, Mayor Brian De Peña and DPW Director, J. Jaime [Withdraw]
- 98/23 Sunset St - One Way [from Methuen Line to Lawrence St] - Counc. Delrosario, Counc. Levy, Counc. C. Reyes, Mayor Brian De Peña and DPW Director, J. Jaime [Withdraw]
- 99/23 Stearns Ave [from Basswood St to Methuen Line] - Counc. Delrosario, Counc. Levy, Counc. C. Reyes, Mayor Brian De Peña and DPW Director, J. Jaime [Withdraw]
- 105/23 Summer Kickoff Event @ Campagnone Common, June 3, 2023 Natalie Tejada, Generacion de Adoradores por El y para El
- 106/23 Earth Day Event @ Campagnone Common, April 29, 2023 – Eddie Rosa @ Groundwork Lawrence
- 107/23 Esperanza Academy, Graduation @ Campagnone Common, June 9, 2023 – Ruth Medina, Esperanza Academy
- 108/23 Semana Hispana en Lawrence, Inc. @ Campagnone Common, June 16-18, 2023 – Germinudy Rosario, Semana Hispana
- 109/23 Fiesta Shows Carnival @ Campagnone Common, May 1–8, 2023 – Germinudy Rosario, Semana Hispana
- 110/23 Olive in July@ Campagnone Common, July 15, 2023 – Andres Flobil, Olive in July, Inc.
- 112/23 Festival Bomba y Plena 2023 @ Campagnone Common, July 8-9, 2023 - Jose Davila, Instituto Cultural de Puerto Rico
- 113/23 Hawkers and Peddlers License (Push Cart) – Jose R. Hernandez
- 114/23 Hawkers and Peddlers License - Delicias Solano/Reynaldo Solano
- 116/23 Hoops for Christ Basketball Tournament @ O’Neil Basketball Court, May 27, 2023 – Ana Pena, Cristiano El Sinai
- 120/23 Community Cookout @ Campagnone Common, July 29, 2023 - Somaly Santos, Grace Nation Church

Personnel Committee:

- 290/21 Request for Ordinance Creating Position of Safety Manager in the Dept of Public Works – Gina LaGreca, Personnel Director
- 87/23 Board of Health Appointment, Jose Baez D.O - Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 117/23 Joseph R. Quartarone, Re-appointment to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District - Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 118/23 Thomas Connors, Re-appointment to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District - Mayor Brian A. DePeña

Old Business:

- 411/22 Transfer of funds from to FREE CASH to Special Projects - [\$16MIL over 2 Yrs] – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 36/23 Proposed Ordinance for Chief of Staff Position – Tim Houten, Acting City Attorney and Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 37/23 Proposed Ordinance for Airport Manager – Tim Houten, Acting City Attorney and Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 40/23 Municipal Aggregation – Councilor Pavel Payano and Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 45/23 Proposed Ordinance for CAFO Position – Gina LaGreca, Personnel Director and Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 46/23 Proposed Ordinance for Supervisor of Energy Projects – Gina LaGreca, Personnel Director and Mayor DePeña
- 48/23 Proposed Ordinance Modification for Program Coordinator for Economic Development – Tim Houten, Acting City Attorney and Mayor Brian A. DePeña

Tabled Matters: [updated: 04-04-23]:

- 133/14 Military/Veteran Recognition-Councilor Laplante-Taken off table 2-1-22-[Re-tabled]-2-1-22
- 276/15 Review of the Museum Square Parking Garage – Counc. President Laplante [Update & Withdraw]
- 72/16 Residency Requirement-City Employees – Home Rule Petition – Review – Council Pres. Vasquez
Taken off table 2-1-22-[Re-tabled]-2-1-22
- 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-[T]03-06-18-Taken off table 2-1-22-[Re-tabled]-2-1-22
- 221/17 Stop Sign–Intersection of Andover and Foster St.–Counc. Vice Pres. Laplante–Pub. Hrg Pending-Traffic Study Ord.
Taken off table 2-1-22-[Re-tabled]-2-1-22

- 11/18 Creation of City Council Standing Subcommittee on Education – Counc. De La Cruz – Ord. Cmt
- 85B/18 Rental Insurance Policy Requirement for All Rental Units- [Sec. 15.12.065] - Counc. Payano – Public Hearing
- 110/18 Haverhill St–One way between Prospect and Haverhill Sts–Counc. Levy–Public Hearing Open [8-21-18]
- 121/18 Recycling Program Ordinance-Counc. Payano-Ord. [PH Closed] [ud] [01-07-20]
- 208/18 Handicapped Parking – 69 Greenwood Street – Counc. DePeña – Ord. Cmt. & Pub. Hrg. to be Ordered
Taken off table 2-1-22-[Re-tabled]-2-1-22
- 326/18 Lawrence Opioid Litigation – Councilor Payano and Council Vice Pres. Rodriguez [T] [12-4-18]
- 328/18 Lawrence Emergency Response- Councilor Payano[T] [09-18-18]
- 355/18 Arlington Street – One Way [30 minutes from 3pm to 3:30pm] in front of the Arlington School,
Councilor. DePeña [T] [05-21-19]
- 389/18 Dept. Heads Quarterly Report-Counc.Payano & Counc. Vice Pres. Rodriguez-Cmt. of the Whole-[T] [9-7-22]
- 39/19 Handicapped Parking-2 Bennington Street-[T]- [03-16-21]
- 170/19 Resolutions- Recognition of Lawrence Academic Achievers-Councilor Laplante-[T] [06-04-19]
- 243/19 Request to display and sell produce-127 South Union St-Tropical Mini Market Corp.-Ysidro Polo-Ord. Committee,
[T] [09-03-19]
- 315/19 One Side Parking Only-Sunset Ave.-Councilor. De Pena [T] [PH Closed-Motion to Approve Pending [03-10-20]
- 367/19 No Parking-Tenney Street, Lea and Tenney sts. to Arlington St.-Mayor Dan Rivera & Pres. Vasquez-Pub. Hrg.
- 26/20 City Charter Review 2020-Counc. Pres. Vasquez-Charter Rev. Committee-Pub. Hrg. 03-16-21-[T]- [03-16-21]
- 61/20 Corona Virus-Lawrence Preparedness-Council. Pres. Vasquez & Councilor Payano-Pub. Safety
[T-Recommit] [03-24-20]
- 77/20 Appropriation Transfer-Resident Legal Assistance Fund-Mayor Rivera[T] [03-24-20]
- 116/20 Parking Ordinance-Council. Pres. Vasquez-Public Hearing Ord[T] [06-16-20]
- 125/20 Petition to rename Columbus Day to Indigenous People’s Day-Frank Bonet-Ord. Cmt. -[T]- [03-16-21]-Re-tabled
- 280/20 Tenant Parking Only Sign-17 Alma Street Apt. 3-Elizabeth Ramos-Tabled 3-15-22
- 112/21 Acceptance of Diamond Street as a Public Way-Laiza L. St. Onge, Project Manager [T & PH Closed 10-4-22]
- 143/21 City Council Social Media Policy-Council President Laplante- [T] 08-03-21
- 163/21 Stockton Park Commission-Marc Laplante, Council President-Pub. Hrg. [T] 10-19-21
- 283/21 Christmas Decoration-Campagnone Common Park [Across City Hall]-Mayor De Peña, Recreation Dept. and
Councilor Estela Reyes [T] 02-01-22
- 285/21 Christmas Decoration-Warehouse Square [1 Union Street]-Ateneo Dominicano and Councilor Estela Reyes-
Ord. Committee - [T] 02-01-22
- 23/22 Establishing a Three [3] Member Ad-hoc Committee to Study/Review Translation Services During Council
Meetings-Counc. Pres. Laplante [Tabled 1-18-22]
- 101/22 Amend Rule 15-Question in Possession of Council-Councilor Rodriguez & VP Reyes-[Tabled 4-19-22]
- 180B/22 FY 23-PEG Access and Cable Fund- Mark J. Ianello, Chief Administrative and Finance Officer[Tabled 6-21-22]
- 183/22 Ordinance-Chapter 15.14-Efrain Rolon, Lawrence Housing Authority [Tabled 7-5-22]
- 237/22 Resolution-In Recognition of Angela Montano Pina-Councilor Celina Reyes [T] 8-2-22
- 324/22 ARPA Funds Application-St. Annes Performance Center-Paramount Dev. Group Initiative-Mayor Brian A. DePeña
[T] 11-15-22
- 430/22 Taxicab Medallion Transfer [from Manuel E. Arias, Liberty Taxi Inc. to Delio A. Diaz Pena, Popular Taxi] – Sgt
Melix Bonilla, LPD [T] 01-17-23
- 55/23 Declaration of Surplus Property, 74-86 Myrtle St (Map 149, Lot 0-38) – Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer
[T] 03-07-23
- 56/23 Declaration of Surplus Property, 24-26 Durham St (Map 120, Lot 19) – Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer [T] 03-07-23
- 75/23 2022 Firefighter of the Year Award, Resolution to Capt. Blanchard and Firefighter Rodriguez - Counc. Pres. Marc
Laplante and Counc. V.P. Estela Reyes [Anticipate 05/16/2023 Presentation]

New Business:

- 121/23 Encuentro Fradernal de Nagueros en Lawrence @ Campagnone Common, May 13, 2023 – Dulce Hiciano
- 122/23 March Against Violence, @ Campagnone Common, April 30, 2023 – Counc. Celina Reyes and Counc. VP Estela
Reyes and Fr. Joel Almano
- 123/23 Hawkers and Peddler’s License, Tenares Frio Frio - Marino Martinez
- 124/23 Appointment of Antonio Reynoso to Lawrence Planning Board – Mayor Brian A. DePeña

- 125/23 Auth to Expend Funds [\$132,380] Comm. Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Funds – Jorge Jaime, DPW Director
- 126/23 Re-Zoning of 191 Parker Street from R-3 to B-1 – Counc. Celina Reyes and Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 127/23 Land Transfer from City of Lawrence to Bellevue Cemetery, Highgate St (Map 210 Lot 15) and May St (Map 189, Lot 19) – Daniel McCarthy, Land Use Planner
- 128/23 Direct Disposition, 8 Bradford Place (Map 166, Lot 26) - Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer
- 130/23 Transfer of Funds from Capital Reserve to New Accounts for Capital Improvement Related Expenses [\$1,218,833] – Marc Ianello, CAFO
- 131/23 [2] 20 Min Parking Spaces – 71 East Haverhill St. – Counc. VP Estela Reyes
- 132/23 20 Min Parking Space, La Familia Market, 119 Jackson St. – Rafael Guzman
- 133/23 Loading Zone, 232 Bruce St. [Monday – Friday 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.] – Counc. VP Estela Reyes
- 134/23 Continuation of Remote/Hybrid Public Meetings per Ch 2 of the Acts of 2023 on March 29, 2023 – Counc. Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 135/23 No Parking, Concord Street [Section at Hampshire Street, both sides] – Atty. Timothy Houten and Chief Moriarty [Late Filing]
- 136/23 Proposed Ordinance Regulating “Trespass” Tows (from private property) – Capt. Ariel Montas, Lawrence Police Department
- 137/23 Proposed Ordinance Prohibiting Obstruction of Sidewalks – Counc. Jeovanny Rodriguez [Late Filing]
- 138/23 Collaboration between GLTS and City of Lawrence RE: Aviation Program, Purchase of Hanger [\$300,000] – Superintendent John Lavoie and Mayor Brian A. DePeña [Late Filing]