

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAWRENCE CITY COUNCIL

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

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

POSTED:
JUNE 15, 2023
@ 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:

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

Communication from Mayor, City Officials & City Attorney:

229/23 Citation Honoring Lou Bernieri - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

230/23 Citation Honoring Mary Guerrero - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

231/23 Citation Honoring Tom Meyer - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

232/23 Citation Honoring Jonathan Guzman - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

233/23 Citation Honoring Carlos Macario - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

234/23 Citation Honoring Gerson Almonte - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

235/23 Citation Honoring Joel Almono - Councilor Maria De La Cruz

Committee Reports:

Budget and Finance Committee:

- 174/23 Fund Transfer [\$350,000] from FREE CASH to Fire Suppression Overtime – Chief Brian Moriarty
- 175/23 Fund Transfer [\$1,618,910] from FREE CASH to Various Reserve Funds – Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 176/23 SEIU Local 888 Parking Attendant Union, CBA Authorization and [\$20K] Funding Approval - Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 177/23 SEIU Local 3 Inspectors Union, CBA Authorization and [\$98,100] Funding Approval - Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 178/23 Year End Transfers between Department Accounts - Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 179/23 FY24 Annual Authorization of Revolving Funds, and Authorization to Spend [\$357,980] PEG Funds – Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 180/23 Appropriate Insurance Proceeds estimated [\$502,258] Parthum School Roof Damage – Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 182/23 Authorization to Expend Grant Funds [\$7,000] ECCF Summer Fund – Janelle Abreu, Library Director

Housing Committee: [No Report]

Ordinance Committee:

- 335/22 Resolution-Elected Lawrence School Committee-Jonathan Guzman, Vice Chair of the School Committee
- 115/23 Reigning in the Valley @ Campagnone Common, August 18-19, 2023 – Luis Leonor, Assoc. Ministerial Evangelica del Area de Lawrence
- 191/23 Disclosure of a Conflict - Jose Gutierrez, Lawrence School Department
- 193/23 Family Fun Day, O’Connell Park, Saturday July 1, 2023 – Nelson Ortiz and Yerinson Cruz
- 195/23 Farmer’s Market, Wednesdays, June 14 – Oct 25 Campagnone Common – Eddie Rosa, Groundworks Lawrence
- 196/23 Farmer’s Market, Saturdays, June 17 – Oct 28, O’Connell Park – Eddie Rosa, Groundworks Lawrence
- 199/23 Christian Rally, June 10 @ Bourgoin Park, July 8 @ Cronin Park, Aug 12 and Sept 9 @ Gagnon Park – Jorge Colon
- 201/23 [2] 15 Min Parking – Removal – 486 Howard St. – Counc Ana Levy and Francisco Frias
- 204/23 Resolution Honoring Gymnast Jonell Canales – Councilor Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 205/23 Immigrant Park Place – [Chestnut St and Short St.] – Add Isabel Melendez’s Name – Counc. VP Estela Reyes
- 212/23 Recognition – Football Team [U12 North, Jr. Lancers] – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 213/23 Resolution Honoring St. John’s Prep Graduate & 2023 Valedictorian, Jonathan R. Rodriguez – Councilor Jeovanny Rodriguez

Personnel Committee:

- 183/23 Appointment of Sharon Birchall to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/24 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 184/23 Appointment of Andres Castillo to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/24 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 185/23 Appointment of William Collins to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/24 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 186/23 Appointment of Daniel M. Foley to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/25 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 187/23 Appointment of Robert H. Irving to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/25 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 188/23 Appointment of Doug Howe to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/25 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 189/23 Appointment of Dania Amador-Martis to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/26 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña
- 190/23 Appointment of Earnest R. Coutermarsh to the Lawrence Airport Commission, Term Exp 7/15/26 – Mayor Brian A. DePeña

Old Business:

- 411C/22 Creating a Thriving Lawrence, RFR Responses – [\$4.685 MIL] (Portion of \$16MIL Special Projects) – Mayor Brian A. DePeña

Tabled Matters: [updated: 06-06-23]:

- 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
 - 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
 - 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
 - 336/22 City Charter, Section 5.11 School Committee– Jonathan Guzman, Vice Chair, Lawrence School Committee [T] 06-
06-23
 - 377/22 Amendment of Section of the Lawrence Zoning Ordinance for District I-4; Planned Industrial Dev. District– Daniel
McCarthy, Land Use Planner [T] 5-2-23
 - 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 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

New Business:

- 211/23 Authorization to Expend Grant Funds [\$10,000] ECCF Summer Fund – Adderly Gonzalez, Recreation Dept Director
- 217/23 Request for Loading Zone, 275 Broadway, Helen’s Tailoring & Dry Cleaning - Leidy Garcia
- 218/23 Request for Loading Zone, 313 Broadway, Helen’s Dry Cleaner’s - Leidy Garcia
- 219/23 Tarbox School Parking Area, Signage and Enforcement for Restricted Resident Access – Anny Diaz and Counc.
Gregory Delrosario
- 220/23 Stop Sign – Crosby and Newton Streets – Councilor Stephany Infante
- 221/23 Direct Disposition of Real Property, Garfield St., Lot #60 (Map 76, Lot 35) – Francisco Surillo, Asset Officer

- 222/23 Restore 15 Min Parking Space, 486-490 Howard Street – Luis Ruiz, Bravo Market
- 223/23 No Parking – 104 Bennington St. [8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.] – Counc. Estela Reyes and Johanny Garcia
- 224/23 Stop Sign – Dale St. [Corner of Allston St.] – Counc. Celina Reyes
- 225/23 West Street – One Way – Councilor Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 226/23 Leahy School, Additional Loan Order [\$12MIL] – Mark Ianello, CAFO
- 227/23 Filling Vacant Position after 6 Month Vacancy, Network Supervisor – Carlos Castillo, I.T. Director
- 228/23 Animal Control Ordinance Regulating Animal Breeding – Ellen Bistany, Animal Control Officer
- 236/23 Celebrate Recovery Month, Aug 26, 2023, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Scarito Park – Ana Javier
- 237/23 Evangelism, Saturdays 6/17, 7/15, 8/19, 9/9, 10/14, 11/18/2023, 1 – 3 p.m. Kennedy Park – Jan Nieves
- 238/23 Salsa en el Barrio, August 6, 2023, 3 – 6 p.m. Manchester Street Park - Elvis Lora, Utopia Dance Company
- 239/23 Interfaith Family Event, Aug 12, 2023, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., O’Connell Park – Ana Javier, Ebenezer Christian Church
- 240/23 Annual Community Resource Fair, Sept 9, 2023, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Campagnone Common – Laiza St. Onge, Greater Lawrence Community Action Council (GLCAC)