

CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS

Councilors:

- President William H. Dwight, At-Large
- Vice-President Ryan R. O'Donnell, At-Large
- Maureen T. Carney, Ward 1
- Dennis P. Bidwell, Ward 2
- James Nash, Ward 3
- Gina Louise Sciarra, Ward 4
- David A. Murphy, Ward 5
- Marianne L. LaBarge, Ward 6
- Alisa F. Klein, Ward 7

Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Walter J. Puchalski Municipal Building
212 Main Street, Northampton
Meeting Date: January 19, 2017
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

1. Public Comment

2. Roll Call

3. Public Hearings

A. 7:05 pm Public Hearing regarding a pole petition received from National Grid

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a public hearing will be held at 212 Main Street in City Council Chambers on the petition of National Grid to erect poles and wires upon, along, under, or

across one or more public ways in the City of Northampton. The petition concerns a pole in front of a new development to #121 Hinckley Street.

Petition #22975210

Documents:

[16.211_PolePetition-Hinkley_St..pdf](#)

[16.211-dpw-recommendation.pdf](#)

4. Recognition and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

5. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

6. Resolutions

A. 17.234 A Resolution declaring Northampton a Fair Employment City - 1st Reading

Documents:

[17.234_Resolution_Fair_Employment.pdf](#)

7. Presentations

8. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes of January 5, 2017 City Council Meeting

Documents:

[Minutes_City_Council_January_5_2017.pdf](#)

B. 16.210 Approve Various Appointments to Committees - On January 9, 2017 all applicants received a positive recommendation from the Committee on City Services

Community Preservation Committee:

- Linda Morley, 244 Prospect Street, Northampton – January 2017 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Council on Aging:

- Donna Park, 205 Prospect Street, Northampton – term November 2016 – June 2019 (replacing the expired term of Walter Bak)

- Mark NeJame, 47 High Street, Florence – term November 2016 – June 2019 (replacing the expired term of Margo Welch)

Historical Commission:

- Barbara Blumenthal, 39 Chapel Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- Bruce Kriviskey, 23 Ice Pond Drive, Florence – term September 2016 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- David Drake, 321 Locust Street, Florence – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- Martha Lyon, 313 Elm Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- Dylan Gaffney, 23 Marshall Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Zoning Board of Appeals:

- Bob Riddle, 47 Water Street, Leeds- term March 2015 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- Sara Northrup, 147 Hinckley Street, Florence – term March 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- David Bloomberg, 86 Vermon Street, Northampton- term March 2015 – June 2018 (reappointment)

Documents:

[16.210_Appointments_to_Committees-combined_file.pdf](#)

C. 16.217 Approve Appointment of Molly Hale of 96 Oak Street in Florence to the Public Shade Tree Commission

Term December 2016 - June 2018 (Filling the unexpired term of Andrew Smith)

On January 9, 2017 Ms. Hale received a positive recommendation from the Committee on City Services

Documents:

[16.217_Combined_File.pdf](#)

9. Recess for Committee on Finance (See Separate Agenda)

10. Financial Orders

A. 16.226 An Order to authorize expenditure of \$3,120 from Senior Services Gift Fund - 2nd Reading

Documents:

[16.226_Senior_Services_Gift_Fund.pdf](#)
[Additional Item Information.pdf](#)

B. 16.227 An Order to authorize payment of a prior year bill in the amount of \$1,379 for legal work - 2nd Reading

Documents:

16.227_Prior_Year_Bills_for_Jankowski_and_Spencer.pdf
Additional Item Information.pdf

11. Orders

A. 17.235 An Order regarding Wage compliance certificates in License - 1st Reading

Documents:

17.235_Wage_Compliance_Order.pdf

B. 16.228 An Order to declare surplus space at NHS for the purpose of leasing to public access television - 2nd Reading

Documents:

16.228_Surplus_NHS_space_for_Public_Access_TV.pdf
Additional Item Information.pdf

C. 16.229 An Order to authorize a five-year contract for ticket processing services - 2nd Reading

Documents:

16.229_Five_Year_Contract_for_Ticket_Processing_Services.pdf
Additional Item Information.pdf

D. 16.230 An Order to accept a storm drain easement on Holyoke Street - 2nd Reading

Documents:

16.230_Order_for_VCDC_Storm_Drain_EASEMENT.pdf
Additional Item Information.pdf

E. 17.231 An order to authorize the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property - 2nd Reading

Documents:

17.231_Order_Sturbridge_Development_Village_Hill_EASEMENT.pdf

F. 17.232 An Order to modify City Council Rules - Requires only one reading

Documents:

12. Ordinances

A. 16.184 - Relative to Heavy Equipment Operation - Positive recommendation from the Committee on Legislative Matters - 1st Reading

Documents:

[16.184_Heavy_Equipment.pdf](#)

B. 16.213 RELATIVE TO PARKING ON CENTER STREET AND MARKET STREET - Positive Recommendation from the Committee on Legislative Matters - 1st Reading

Documents:

[16.213_Market_Center_Street.pdf](#)

[16.213_pic.pdf](#)

C. 16.214 RELATIVE TO A YIELD SIGN ON MAPLE STREET - Positive Recommendation from the Committee on Legislative Matters - 1st Reading

Documents:

[16.214_Yield_Maple_St.pdf](#)

13. Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

14. Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Committee Study Requests

A. Committee Study Request: the Committee on Community Resources will give its final report on the study of Northampton's downtown economy

Documents:

[FinalReportCSR-Comm-Resources-To_City_Council.pdf](#)

B. Committee Study Request for Referral to the City Council Committee on Finance

Documents:

15. New Business

Contact: *P. Powers*
Administrative Assistant to the City Council
(413) 587-1210
ppowers@northamptonma.gov

Questions contact – Lisa Jasinski 413 582 7467
PETITION FOR POLE AND WIRE LOCATIONS

North Andover, Massachusetts

To the City Council
Of Northampton Massachusetts

NATIONAL GRID requests permission to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way:

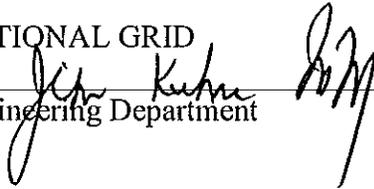
Hinckley St-National Grid to install one SO pole across from pole #17, in front of new development to #121 Hinckley St. The location begins at a point approximately 80 feet north of the centerline of the intersection of Maplewood Terrace.
Location approximately as shown on plan attached

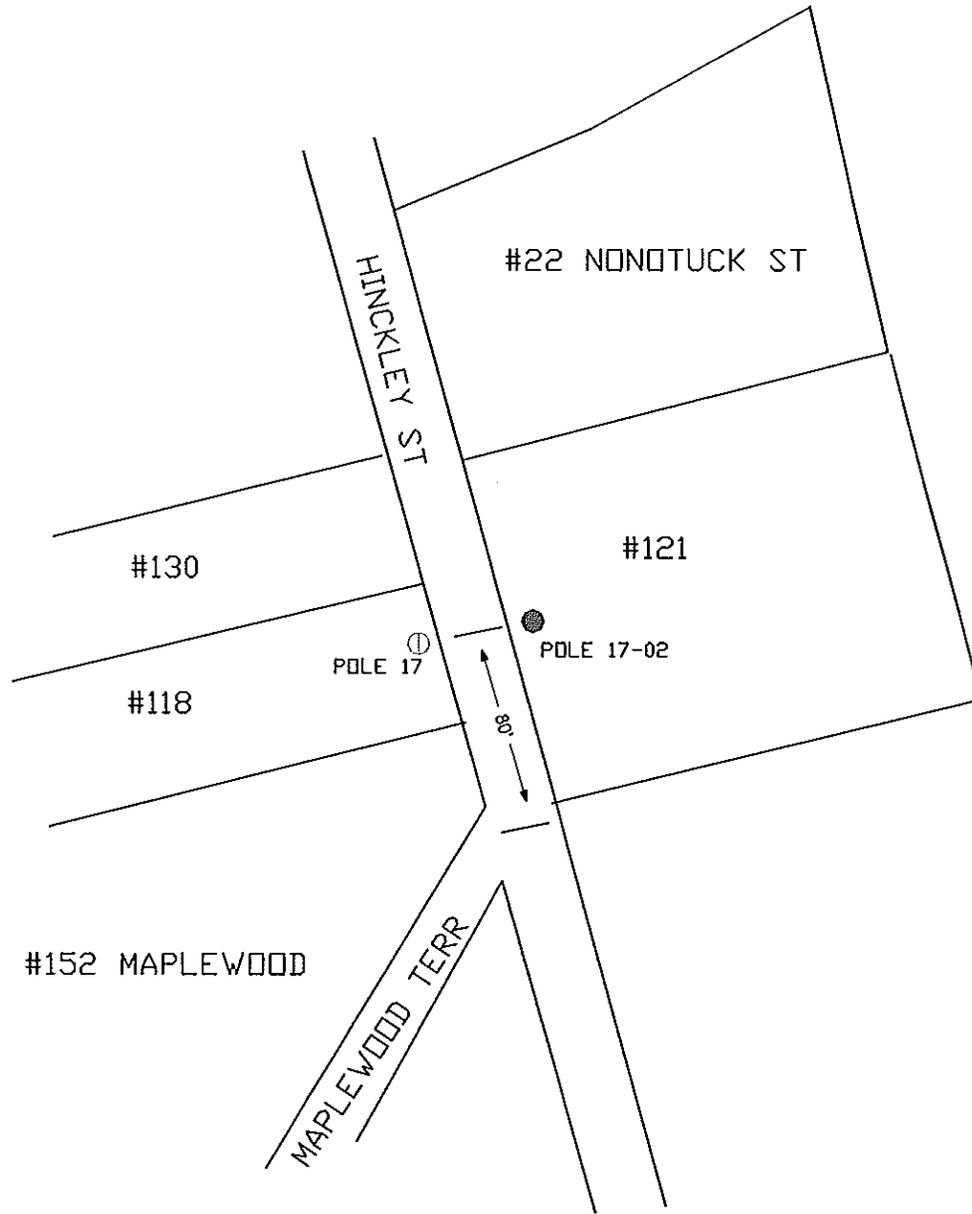
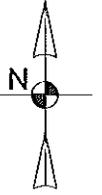
Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked – Hinckley St-Northampton Massachusetts .

22975210 November 18, 2016

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire, police, telephone, and telegraph signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

NATIONAL GRID
BY 
Engineering Department



POLE PETITION

nationalgrid

- Proposed NGRID Pole Locations
- Existing NGRID Pole Locations
- Proposed J.O. Pole Locations
- Existing J.O. Pole Locations
- Existing Telephone Co. Pole Locations
- Existing NGRID Pole Location To Be Made J.O.
- Existing Pole Locations To Be Removed

Date: 10/25/16

Plan Number: 22975210

To Accompany Petition Dated:

To The: CITY OF NORTHAMPTON

For Proposed: 1 Pole: 17-02 Location: HINCKLEY ST

Date Of Original Grant:

DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE

Electra

ORDER FOR POLE AND WIRE LOCATIONS

In the City of Northampton Massachusetts

Notice having been given and public hearing held, as provided by law,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

that NATIONAL GRID and be and it is hereby granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as said Company may deem necessary, in the public way or ways hereinafter referred to, as requested in petition of said Company dated the 18th day of November 2016

All construction under this order shall be in accordance with the following conditions:

Poles shall be of sound timber, and reasonable straight, and shall be set substantially at the points indicated upon the plan marked – Hinckley St-Northampton Massachusetts.

22975210 Dated: November 18, 2016. Filed with this order

There may be attached to said poles such wires, cables, and fixtures as needed in their business and all of said wires and cables shall be placed at a height of not less than twenty (20) feet from the ground.

The following are the public ways or part of ways along which the poles above referred to may be erected, and the number of poles which may be erected thereon under this order:

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I hereby certify that the foregoing order was adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City/Town of _____, Massachusetts held on the _____ day of _____ 20 _____.

Massachusetts City/Town Clerk.
20 _____

Received and entered in the records of location orders of the City/Town of _____
Book _____ Page _____

Attest:

City/Town Clerk

I hereby certify that on _____ 20 _____, at _____ o'clock, M

At _____ a public hearing was held on the petition of

NATIONAL GRID

for permission to erect the poles, wires, and fixtures described in the order herewith recorded, and that we mailed at least seven days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which the Company is permitted to erect Poles, wires, and fixtures under said order. And that thereupon said order was duly adopted.

City/Town Clerk.

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Board or Council of Town or City, Massachusetts

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the location order and certificate of hearing with notice adopted by the _____ of the City of Massachusetts, on the _____ day of 20 and recorded with the records of location orders of the said City, Book _____, and Page _____. This certified copy is made under the provisions of Chapter 166 of General Laws and any additions thereto or amendments thereof.

Attest:
City/Town Clerk

City

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City/Town Clerk



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

125 Locust Street
Northampton, MA 01060

413-587-1570
Fax 413-587-1576

Donna LaScaleia
Director

Memorandum

To: Donna LaScaleia 
From: Felix Harvey 
Date: June 20, 2016
Re: National Grid Pole Petition #22975210 (121 Hinckley Street)

Donna:

I have reviewed DPW records and visited the site to view the proposed installation of pole #17-02 on Hinckley Street at #121. It is approximately 80 feet north of the intersection of Maplewood Terrace, on the east side of Hinckley street.

This proposed pole location is shown on page 7/13 of the Site Plan approved by the Planning Board, and that location should be held at 8 feet from the edge of the road, so as to maintain a >5' separation from an underground City Drain line located there.



In the City Council, January 19th, in the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen

Upon the recommendation of Councilor Alisa F. Klein and Councilor Maureen Carney

R-17.234

A Resolution

Declaring Northampton a Fair Employment City

WHEREAS, the residents of and visitors to the City of Northampton annually spends hundreds of thousands of dollars purchasing food, apparel and other goods; and

WHEREAS, locally owned businesses provide essential employment opportunities and contribute to the character and unique identity of our community; and

WHEREAS, ensuring fair employment practices in Northampton provides workers with the rights to which they are entitled under both state and federal law, consumers with the knowledge that those who serve them are treated ethically, and local businesses an enhanced opportunity to make a positive economic and social impact in our communities; and

WHEREAS, ensuring decent working conditions and fair wages for workers is an essential part of investment in local economies and sustainable employment practices; and

WHEREAS, the practice commonly known as “wage theft”- improperly withholding payment from employees and failing to pay them in accordance with state and federal wage and hour laws - harms the well-being of workers, their families, and their communities, as well as the reputation of employers; and

WHEREAS, low income and immigrant workers, and workers who are non-native English speakers are most vulnerable to this practice; and

WHEREAS, workers in the hospitality service industry are also vulnerable to this practice; and

WHEREAS, the misclassification of employees as independent contractors presents one of the most serious problems facing affected workers in the construction industry and misclassified workers often are denied access to critical benefits and protections to which they are entitled, such as the minimum wage, overtime compensation, family and medical leave, unemployment insurance, and safe workplaces; and

WHEREAS, the high cost of wage theft to the City, its business community, and its residents impedes the City's economic development and growth; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton has the opportunity to lead by example and present a model of economic and social responsibility and sustainability, and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton expresses its support for sustainable and equitable commerce, construction, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to ensure that potential and current recipients of licenses issued under G.L. chapter 138 and chapter 140, and recipients of Community Preservation Act funds and Tax Increment Financing comply with applicable wage laws;

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton in its **Buy Local/Buy Fair Resolution** (April 17, 2008), recognizes the important role that local businesses have in the diversity and sustainability of our economy and is strongly committed to protecting our local business base; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Northampton, Massachusetts decrees Northampton a "FAIR EMPLOYMENT CITY" in the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as authorized under M.G.L. c. 30B and c. 149, Section 44, the City of Northampton should award bids for goods and services and public construction to responsible contractors alone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the City of Northampton, vendors and/or contractors who violate the state and federal wage and hour laws should be deemed not responsible and therefore, should not be awarded contracts from the City of Northampton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we endorse an Executive Policy Order addressing these issues with regard to procurement and Tax Increment Financing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call on the City of Northampton License Commission to ensure that applicants for licenses pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138 or M.G.L. c. 140 certify compliance with applicable wage laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call on the Community Preservation Committee to ensure that applicants for Community Preservation Act funding, as well as any contractors and subcontractors on these publicly-supported projects, certify compliance with applicable wage laws and ensure that contractors used don't have a recent history of wage theft and tax fraud.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrative Assistant to the City Council shall cause a copy of this resolution to be sent to the City of Northampton Community Preservation Committee and the City of Northampton License Commission.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WALLACE J. PUCHALSKI MUNICIPAL BUILDING
212 MAIN STREET, NORTHAMPTON
Northampton, MA

Roll Call

A regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by City Council President William H. Dwight. At 7:00 p.m. pm on a roll call the following City Councilors were present:

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| At-Large Councilor William H. Dwight | At-Large Councilor Ryan R. O'Donnell |
| Ward 1 Councilor Maureen T. Carney | Ward 2 Councilor Dennis P. Bidwell |
| Ward 3 Councilor James Nash | Ward 4 Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra |
| Ward 5 Councilor David A. Murphy | Ward 6 Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge |
| Ward 7 Councilor Alisa F. Klein | |

Councilor Dwight announced that tonight's meeting was not going to be able to be streamed as the NCTV website is currently not available. Tonight's meeting is still available live on the public access channel.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing:

Public Hearing
Announced for
Pole Petition
received from
National Grid for
proposed pole
on Hinckley
Street

Councilor Dwight made the following announcement:

A Public Hearing regarding a pole petition received from National Grid will be held on January 19, 2017 at 7:05 pm. The hearing will take place in City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA. The petition is from National Grid who is requesting to erect poles and wires upon, along, under, or across one or more public ways in the City of Northampton. The petition concerns a pole located in front of a new development to #121 Hinckley Street. The Petition # is 22975210.

The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Recognitions
and One-Minute
Announcements
by Councilors

Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

None

Communications
and
Proclamations
From the Mayor

Communications and Proclamations From the Mayor:

Annual City
Council and NPS
Joint Meeting
Announced

Mayor Narkewicz announced that the annual joint meeting of the City Council and the Northampton School Committee will take place on Tuesday, January 31 at 7:00 pm. At JFK Middle School in Florence. The Mayor reported that usually the event takes place on the fourth Thursday in January; however, the fourth Thursday is too close to Gov. Baker's submission of his budget. The Mayor wanted a little more time to analyze the State budget as highlights will likely be touched upon in his budget presentation.

Human Rights
Commission
Resolution
Presentation

On a different topic, Mayor Narkewicz reports that the Human Rights Commission adopted a resolution at their November 30th meeting. The resolution was communicated to various state elected officials; members of the Commission asked to come before the City Council to present the resolution.

Lori Loisel, a member of the Human Rights Commission, spoke about the resolution. Two months ago the Commission took up the resolution at the suggestion of a resident of Florence.

Human Rights
Commission
Resolution
Presentation
continued

In December the resolution was sent out by the committee. Ms. Loisel read the resolution in Council.



HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
City of Northampton
210 Main Street Room 12
Northampton, MA 01060-3199
(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275

Human Rights Commission Resolution supporting Northampton's recommitment to
Sanctuary City status and the values of a Democratic nation

Whereas, in 2014, Mayor David J. Narkewicz adopted an Executive Order declaring Northampton a sanctuary city insofar as its police force would not "honor and enforce any detainer request from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) that is non-criminal" and also committed to city policies and procedures that "ensure the highest level of public safety while building trust between law enforcement and community residents and visitors," and that it will be "the continuing policy of the City of Northampton to assure equal, just, and fair treatment of all person who live in and visit the city;" and

Whereas, on Nov. 20, 2014, the City Council unanimously endorsed the Mayor's Executive Order with a resolution stating the city "has been, and continues to be enriched by the contributions of community members who have traveled from all points of the globe to make their homes here;" and

Whereas, the City Council on Nov. 17 endorsed a resolution declaring its commitment "to protecting this community's residents from racist, Islamophobic, anti-Semitic, misogynistic, homophobic, transphobic, anti-immigrant and anti-refugee sentiment and acts and all other targeting of residents based on their identities or perceived identities;" and

Whereas, the Northampton Human Rights Commission has thrown wholehearted support behind the city's commitment to resettle refugees through a program of the Catholic Charities; and

Whereas, the Northampton Human Rights Commission condemns bigotry in all its forms and supports civil liberties of people without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, gender identity, ability, citizenship or immigration status; and

Whereas, the President-elect while campaigning repeatedly espoused beliefs and support of policies that would demean, target, discriminate against and endanger people from all of those groups and more.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Northampton Human Rights Commission stands solidly behind the Mayor in his efforts to maintain the city's status as a Sanctuary City even if it means losing federal funding; and

Be it further resolved that because the loss of said funds could endanger populations of people who are particularly vulnerable, we encourage our city leadership to make every effort to find alternate sources of money to make up for such losses; and

Be it further resolved that we implore federal leadership to not withhold federal funds that are a vital part of the safety net within our city; and

Be it further resolved that the Northampton Human Rights Commission fully agrees with the

Human Rights
Commission
Resolution
Presentation
Continued

City Council's statement that our city "has been, and continues to be enriched by the contributions of community members who have traveled from all points of the globe to make their homes here;" and

Be it further resolved that the Northampton Human Rights Commission articulates its commitment to welcoming any residents who feel targeted or unsafe based on their identities or perceived identities to share their experiences with the Commission so it may offer support and guidance of where to get help; and

Be it further resolved that the Northampton Human Rights Commission is guided in its work by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in 1948 by the United Nations and now hereby recommits to being a city body dedicated to education about the values and ideals espoused by that document; and

Be it further resolved that the Northampton Human Rights Commission stands behind the City Council's resolution that rejects authoritarianism and white supremacy and "redoubles its commitments to the values of freedom, justice and equality that bind us as a community and to protecting those whose security and wellbeing may be threatened in the current political and social climate."

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to President Barack Obama; U.S. President-Elect Donald Trump; U.S. Senators Elizabeth Warren and Ed Markey; U.S. Representatives Richard Neal and Jim McGovern; Massachusetts Governor Charles Baker; Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey; Massachusetts Senate President Stanley Rosenberg; Massachusetts State Representative Peter Kocot; the Northampton City Council and Mayor David Narkewicz.

Approved by the Northampton Human Rights Commission on this day, Nov. 30, 2016

Clerk's Note: This is not a City Council Resolution and therefore requires no vote by the City Council. It is presented here for informational purposes only.

After presenting the resolution, Ms. Loisel spoke as a citizen of Northampton and further indicated that she was not speaking for the Human Rights Commission. She explained that she read a real news story recently about a woman in Boston who started her own housecleaning business. The woman has been living in Boston for fourteen years on a work permit. Even though her ten-year old daughter is a US citizen, she is fearful about her place here. There are people like her in Northampton. The policies proposed by President-elect want to simplify people as either legal or illegal. Ms. Loisel believes that this is not how it works. Words matter. Words of hate should never go unchallenged, and as a community, Ms. Loisel believes that people need to speak out against hateful words and actions. She notes that hateful words espoused by the President-elect should never seem normal.

Councilor Dwight thanked Ms. Loisel for the resolution and noted that he is grateful for her personal statement. He agrees that people do need to speak up; if not, it gives the impression that we are consenting or allowing unconscionable words or actions.

Councilor Klein has been serving as a liaison to the Human Rights Commission. She thanked the Human Rights Commission for the resolution; Councilor Klein believes that it is well worded. Sitting with the Human Rights Commission for the past year, Councilor Klein has recognized the work of this group. They are developing a really ambitious agenda for the next year.

Councilor LaBarge thanked Ms. Loisel for the work of the Commission. In future resolutions, Councilor LaBarge would like to see people with disabilities added as part of the language.

Councilor Sciarra recognized another resolution that was part of the resolution, which was the resolution welcoming Syrian refugees. She notes that resolution had an incredibly real impact.

Councilor Bidwell reports that he recently received a call from a friend in Newburyport. There was a City Councilor in Newburyport who wanted to see Northampton's resolution as an

<p><u>Human Rights Commission Resolution Presentation continued</u></p>	<p>example, with the possibility of adopting such legislation in that community.</p> <p>Councilor Bidwell has been in touch with the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington. They are forming a network of City Councilors, Selectmen and Aldermen from around the country who are part of municipalities that declare themselves 'sanctuary cities'. They are actively forming a coalition and Councilor Bidwell reminds us that there is power in numbers.</p> <p>Councilor Klein reports that Easthampton and Amherst are also working on sanctuary city resolutions.</p> <p>Councilor Dwight notes that a letter was received by Congressman McGovern affirming and applauding the intent of the Northampton City Council resolution and reaffirming the intent of the document.</p>
<p><u>Resolutions</u></p>	<p><u>Resolutions:</u></p> <p>None</p>
<p><u>Presentations</u></p>	<p><u>Presentations:</u></p> <p>None</p>
<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve Consent Agenda</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>Consent Agenda</u></p> <p>Councilor Klein moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.</p> <p>The following item was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes of the December 19, 2016 City Council meeting
<p><u>Recess for Committee on Finance Meeting</u></p>	<p>At 7:20 p.m. the City Council recessed for the Committee on Finance meeting. The City Council reconvened at 7:51 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Financial Orders</u></p> <p><u>16.226 An Order to authorize expenditure of \$3,120 from Senior Services Gift Fund - 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion to approve 16.226 in 1st Reading</u></p> <p><u>Motion Carried</u></p>	<p><u>Financial Orders</u></p> <p><u>16.226 An Order to authorize expenditure of \$3,120 from Senior Services Gift Fund - 1st Reading</u></p> <p>Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.</p> <p><u>See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.</u></p>

16.227 An Order to authorize payment of a prior year bill in the amount of \$1,379 for legal work - 1st Reading

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Motion to approve 16.227 in 1st Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Motion Carried

See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.

16.216 An Order to authorize the purchase of 5.5 acres on Burts Pit Road - 2nd Reading

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Motion to approve 16.216 in 2nd Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Motion Carried

The following Order passed second reading:

Upon the recommendation of the Mayor David J. Narkewicz and the Conservation Commission

16.216

An Order

To authorize the purchase of 5.5 acres on Burts Pit Road

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the *Open Space and Recreation Plan: 2011-2018* recommends preserving open space on Burts Pit Road to preserve Northampton's only bog and rare species habitat and provide for a multiuse trail to serve the area;

WHEREAS, the City Council has already approved the purchase of 110+/- acres on Burts Pit Road, Stone Ridge Road and Overlook Drive for the purposes of habitat preservation as well as creation of affordable housing;

WHEREAS, Burt's Bog is an environmentally and historically important location that also provides opportunities for trail and habitat connections;

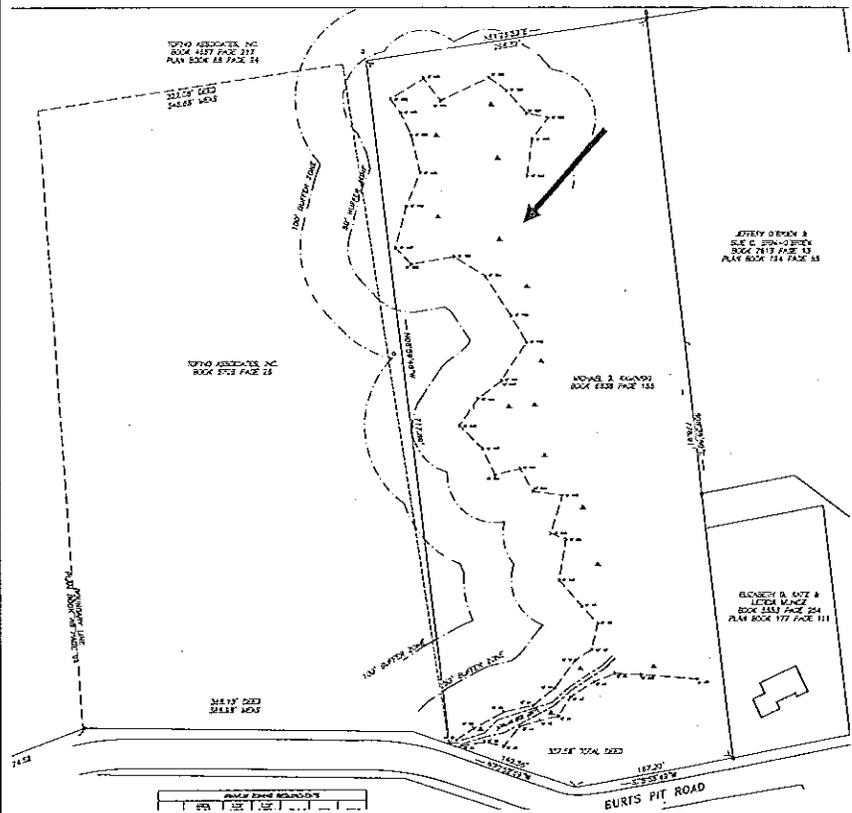
WHEREAS, Michael D. Kaminski has offered to sell 5.5 acres +/- on Burts Pit Road directly adjacent to the Burts Bog acquisition (Map 29-007) for \$110,000

WHEREAS, no general fund appropriation is requested;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

The City of Northampton, through its Conservation Commission is authorized to purchase or otherwise acquire any fee, easement, and/or any other interest in the above land for the purposes of open space preservation and creation of a multiuse recreational trail. The Mayor is authorized to grant a conservation restriction (per M.G.L. C. 184 Section 31) on said land.

16.216 Continued



16.216 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Community Preservation Committee Recommendations for Funding - 2nd Reading

Community Preservation Committee Recommendations for Funding - 2nd Reading

Motion to approve 16.218, 16.219, 16.220, 16.221, 16.222, 16.223, 16.224, 16.225 as a group

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the following orders as a group in second reading; Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention (Councilor Murphy).

Motion Carried

The following order passed second reading:

16.218 An Order regarding Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway Improvements, Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association: \$16,947

16.218 An Order regarding Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway Improvements, Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association: \$16,947

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.218 Continued

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

16.218

An Order

Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway Improvements, Broad Brook
Coalition and Leeds Civic Association: \$16,947

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association submitted a CPA application for rehabilitation of a six acre portion of the Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway, including a wildlife blind, trails, picnic tables and habitat improvements;

WHEREAS, the project has a great deal of public support, and will increase public accessibility to a unique conservation area;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will leverage the volunteer work of members of the Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association, two of the City's valued open space partners;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$16,947 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$16,947 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association for the Beaver Brook/Broad Brook rehabilitation project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$16,947 is appropriated from the Undesignated Fund Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

16.218 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed second reading:

16.219 An Order
regarding Burts Bog
Affordable Housing
and Open Space,
Office of Planning
and Sustainability:
\$234,700

16.219 An Order regarding Burts Bog Affordable Housing and Open Space, Office of
Planning and Sustainability: \$234,700

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

16.219

An Order

Burts Bog Affordable Housing and Open Space, Office of Planning and
Sustainability: \$234,700

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.219 Continued

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Northampton Conservation Commission and Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability submitted a CPA application for the Burt's Bog project to create three affordable homeownership lots, as well as permanently protect 120 acres of critical open space;

WHEREAS, the housing lots will be restricted to individuals and families earning 100% of area median income or below;

WHEREAS, Burt's Bog is an environmentally and historically important location that also provides opportunities for trail and habitat connections;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will be used as a match for \$256,256 in state Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity grant funds;

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, the Housing Needs Assessment, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multiuse Trail Plan to provide affordable housing, protect open space, and provide for passive recreation;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$234,700 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$234,700 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Commission and Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability for the Burts Bog project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$150,000 is appropriated from the CPA Affordable Housing Reserve (account #2344930-359933), and \$84,700 is appropriated from the CPA Undesignated Fund Reserve (account #2344930-359930)

16.219 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed second reading:

16.220 An Order
regarding Broad
Brook to Beaver
Brook Acquisition,
Northampton
Conservation
Commission:
\$40,000

16.220 An Order regarding Broad Brook to Beaver Brook Acquisition, Northampton Conservation Commission: \$40,000

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.220 Continued

16.220

An Order

Broad Brook to Beaver Brook Acquisition, Northampton Conservation
Commission: \$40,000

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Northampton Conservation Commission and Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability submitted a CPA application for purchase of a 18-acre parcel to add to the Broad Brook Greenway.

WHEREAS, this parcel will serve as the first connection from Fitzgerald Lake west to the Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway.

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multiuse Trail Plan to protect open space and provide for passive recreation.

WHEREAS, the parcel provides opportunities for trail connections from Haydenville Road to Fitzgerald Lake, and will increase access opportunities to the Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway.

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$40,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$40,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Commission and Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability for the Broad Brook Connection project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$40,000 is appropriated from the CPA Undesignated Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

16.220 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed second reading:

16.221 An Order
regarding
Connecticut River
Greenway
Improvements,
Northampton Office
of Planning and
Sustainability:
\$90,000

16.221 An Order regarding Connecticut River Greenway Improvements, Northampton
Office of Planning and Sustainability: \$90,000

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.221 continued

16.221

An Order

Connecticut River Greenway Improvements, Northampton Office of
Planning and Sustainability: \$90,000

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability submitted a CPA application for completion of necessary paving and installation of an accessible boarding pier at the Connecticut River Greenway Riverfront Park;

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multiuse Trail Plan regarding continued development of a park and boathouse with riverfront access;

WHEREAS, significant public and private funds have already been invested in the site, and the project will allow more people to access the River;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will be used as the local match for a \$90,000 federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will be used first for pier accessibility and paving to match accessible sidewalk elevations, and then to complete paving on the rest of the site;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$90,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$90,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Office of Planning and Sustainability for the Connecticut River Greenway project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$90,000 is appropriated from the CPA Undesignated Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

16.221 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed second reading:

16.222 An Order
regarding
Hampshire County
Courthouse
Restoration,
Hampshire Council
of Governments:
\$100,000

16.222 An Order regarding Hampshire County Courthouse Restoration, Hampshire
Council of Governments: \$100,000

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.222 Continued

16.222

An Order

Hampshire County Courthouse Restoration, Hampshire Council of
Governments: \$100,000

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Hampshire Council of Governments submitted a CPA application for stabilization and preservation of the Hampshire County Courthouse;

WHEREAS, the project provides a broad public benefit to the Citizens of Northampton and the region by preserving a historically important civic building;

WHEREAS, CPA funds will only be used as a match for state Capital Bond Bill funds.

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$100,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$100,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Hampshire Council of Governments for the Hampshire County Courthouse Restoration project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$100,000 is appropriated from the CPA Historic Preservation Reserve (account #2344930-359932).

16.222 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.223 An Order
regarding 51 Main
Street Historic
Building Study,
Smith Charities:
\$10,000 - 2nd
Reading

16.223 An Order regarding 51 Main Street Historic Building Study, Smith Charities:
\$10,000 - 2nd Reading

The following order passed second reading:

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.223 Continued

16.223

An Order

51 Main Street Historic Building Study, Smith Charities: \$10,000

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Smith Charities submitted a CPA application for a historic building study of the Smith Charities Building at 51 Main Street;

WHEREAS, the Smith Charities have operated continuously since 1865 from the building, which was designed by noted architect William Fenno Pratt, and is located within the Downtown National Register Historic District;

WHEREAS, the study will identify the most critical needs for future restoration and rehabilitation of the building to ensure that it will remain a unique part of the downtown streetscape in the future;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$10,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$10,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Smith Charities for the Smith Charities Building historic study. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$10,000 is appropriated from the CPA Historic Preservation Reserve (account #2344930-359932).

16.223 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

The following order passed second reading:

16.224 An Order
regarding Mineral
Hills Acquisition,
Northampton
Conservation
Commission:
\$240,000

16.224 An Order regarding Mineral Hills Acquisition, Northampton Conservation Commission: \$240,000

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.224 Continued

16.224

An Order

Mineral Hills Acquisition, Northampton Conservation Commission, \$240,000

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Northampton Conservation Commission and Office of Planning & Sustainability submitted a CPA application for purchase of a 53 acre parcel in the southern Mineral Hills;

WHEREAS, this is an environmentally important location that includes a coldwater stream, and will provide opportunities for trail and habitat connections;

WHEREAS, the threat of residential development exists in an area that is not an appropriate location, resulting in lost wildlife protection opportunities;

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Sustainable Northampton Plan, Northampton Community Preservation Plan, and Open Space, Recreation and Multiuse Trail Plan to protect open space and provide for passive recreation, and will also create affordable housing opportunities;

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee voted unanimously to recommend that \$240,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$240,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Commission and Office of Planning and Sustainability for the Mineral Hills to Barnes Aquifer Open Space Acquisition Project. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$150,000 is appropriated from the CPA Open Space Reserve (account #2344930-359931), and \$90,000 is appropriated from the CPA Undesignated Reserve (account #2344930-359930).

16.224 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

16.225 An Order
regarding
Conservation Fund,
Northampton
Conservation
Commission:
\$80,000

The following order passed second reading:

16.225 An Order regarding Conservation Fund, Northampton Conservation Commission: \$80,000

Upon the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee

16.225

An Order

Conservation Fund, Northampton Conservation Commission: \$80,000

Community
Preservation
Committee
Recommendations
for Funding - 2nd
Reading
continued

16.225 Continued

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the Northampton Conservation Commission submitted an application for Community Preservation Act funding for the Conservation Fund.

WHEREAS, the fund makes possible increased acquisition or protection of open space parcels in Northampton by supporting fast action on time-sensitive real estate opportunities.

WHEREAS, the project may leverage additional public and/or private funds

WHEREAS, the project meets the goals of the Northampton Sustainability Plan for protection of open space and agricultural lands.

WHEREAS, the applicant has used these funds effectively in the past towards the protection of several hundred acres of open space, reflecting the goals established by the Community Preservation Committee.

WHEREAS, all land purchases will be reviewed and approved by the Conservation Commission and the City Council.

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2016, the Northampton Community Preservation Committee, voted unanimously to recommend that \$80,000 in Community Preservation Act funds be used to support this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That \$80,000 be appropriated from Community Preservation Act funding to the Northampton Conservation Fund. And, that the grantee meets the conditions approved by the Community Preservation Committee, the Mayor, and City Council.

Specifically, \$80,000 is allocated from the CPA Undesignated Reserve (account #2344930-359930)

16.225 Enrolled

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

Orders

16.228 An Order to declare surplus space at NHS for the purpose of leasing to public access television - 1st Reading

Motion to approve 16.228 in 1st Reading

Motion Carried

Orders

16.228 An Order to declare surplus space at NHS for the purpose of leasing to public access television - 1st Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.

16.229 An Order to authorize a five-year contract for ticket processing services - 1st Reading

Motion to approve 16.229 in 1st Reading

Motion Carried

16.229 An Order to authorize a five-year contract for ticket processing services - 1st Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.

16.230 An Order to accept a storm drain easement on Holyoke Street - 1st Reading

Motion to approve 16.230 in 1st Reading

Motion Carried

16.230 An Order to accept a storm drain easement on Holyoke Street - 1st Reading

Councilor O'Donnell moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention (Councilor Murphy).

See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.

17.231 An Order To authorize the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property - 1st Reading

Motion to approve 17.231 in 1st Reading

Motion Carried

17.231 An Order To authorize the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property - 1st Reading

Councilor LaBarge moved to approve the order in 1st Reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a roll call vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

See minutes of January 19, 2017 for second reading.

17.232 An Order to modify City Council Rules - Requires only one reading

Motion to approve 17.232 in 1st Reading

17.232 An Order to modify City Council Rules - Requires only one reading

Councilor Klein moved to approve the order in first reading; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion.

17.232
Continued

Motion to refer to
Committee

Councilor Murphy moved to refer the item to the Committee on Legislative Matters; Councilor LaBarge seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Motion Carried

Councilor O'Donnell noted that the order to amend the rules deals with the process of referral to Legislative Matters. In a sense the changes are superficial and cause the order to reflect what was previously in the language of the council rules. He suggests that the Council could debate the rules tonight.

Councilor Murphy explained that the recent changes made to the Council's rules have received a lot of public attention. He would like to add a little more due process and notes that the item has been placed preemptively on the committee's agenda for Monday, January 9.

Councilor LaBarge explained that she has received calls about the proposed changes and notes that there are great concerns. She would like to see the order go to the Committee on Legislative Matters for review. She would like to have the people come in and this would allow for transparency.

Councilor O'Donnell stated that while he suggested that the order need not be referred, he doesn't oppose referring it. He would like to have the order reviewed tonight so that it was clear what changes were being proposed. Councilor Bidwell asked for an explanation and context of the changes.

Councilor O'Donnell explained that the order switches back to previous convention that matters would not originate in committees. When certain rule changes were made, committees had the power to bring matters up and put things forward without things being referred to them by City Council. The value, in Councilor O'Donnell's opinion, was that of initiative. City Council committees were given the opportunity to have something to do besides acting as receptacles for things that were submitted to them. In reaction to concerns raised, Councilor O'Donnell is now attempting to switch back to the former language of the order. The order before Council tonight stipulates that a referral would be required of all ordinances before the Legislative Matters committee acted upon them. He notes that a referral by itself does not guarantee transparency. Transparency is given when things are posted on an agenda in advance allowing people to know and comment about it and to give ample time for debate. If people think that a referral creates the appearance of due process, Councilor O'Donnell feels that this is important as well.

Councilor LaBarge states that people have issues with the new language in the proposed order. In addition to the changes described by Councilor O'Donnell, people are uncomfortable with other language in the order, especially in section 2.6.1.4.1. People feel that ordinances should be reviewed for legal form and character. Councilor LaBarge believes that what has caused the problem has to do with the due process with the stormwater utility fee. If the order goes to Legislative Matters, people can come and talk about what their concerns are.

Councilor O'Donnell stated that he does not oppose referring the order to committee. He notes that the rules do ask the solicitor to review ordinances for form and character; this is called out in a separate part of the rules.

Councilor Dwight notes that there are not a lot of phone calls about this, but there is a group of people who have expressed a concern. They will likely show up at Legislative Matters in order to have a more expansive conversation about this. He notes that these are the City Council's rules by which the Council governs itself. As such, the Council is setting up conditions for itself with the intent to create and extend transparency and access. The only reason Councilor Dwight would vote to send this to committee is to allow citizens who have expressed an interest to at least be apprised about what the intent, purpose and effect of the changes would be.

17.232 Continued

Councilor Murphy states that as Chair of the Legislative Matters committee, he speaks with the City Solicitor about items on the agenda to be sure Attorney Seewald has reviewed everything and is comfortable moving forward with the items. This also allows him the opportunity to know whether things on the agenda require the Solicitor's attendance or not.

Councilor Bidwell asked as a practical matter, would this mean that nothing would be taken up by Legislative Matters without having been referred by City Council? Councilor Dwight explained that items would have to be referred to the committee by City Council. Councilor Bidwell recognizes scheduling concerns posed by first having items come through Council; however as a newcomer on the Council, he finds it helpful that the Council's agenda serves as a gate keeping function.

Councilor Dwight notes that the other thing that is being worked on is a way to track the lifespan of a bill.

Councilor Murphy explained that he received feedback today as well. The point that was made was that the Council agenda is closely watched. If there is something of interest that goes out from City Council to committee, then someone can attend the committee meetings where people can talk longer than the three minutes allowed during public comment in a City Council meeting. When it comes back to the City Council floor, the public comments have been heard by at least the committee members. If it comes from a committee and the public doesn't know it is there, it comes back to City Council ready to be voted on. At committee there is give and take; at Council the public has only three minutes to speak without give and take.

Councilor Sciarra notes that no one has contacted her about the changes. She points out that this is reverting back to what has always been done and that Legislative Matters has never been bypassed in any way. Also, in section 5.2.5 there is a spelling error "mater" should be "matter".

The Committee on Legislative Matters will take up the order on Monday, January 9, 2017.

Ordinances

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17.233 An Ordinance Relative to School Zones - Refer to Transportation and Parking Commission and the Committee on Legislative Matters

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Motion to refer 17.233

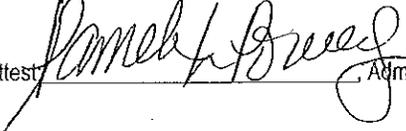
Councilor Klein moved to refer the Ordinance to the committees as noted; Councilor O'Donnell seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Motion Carried

Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

Councilor Dwight reminded the Council that the MMA Conference is coming up later in the month. There is also a Million Women March planned on January 21st.

<u>Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests</u>	<u>Information Requests (Charter Provision 2-7) and Information Study Requests</u>
	None
<u>New Business</u>	<u>New Business:</u> None
	At 8:12 p.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Councilor LaBarge and seconded by Councilor Klein. The vote to adjourn passed on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.
	Attest:  , Administrative Assistant to the City Council

2016 - 2017 ROLL CALL RECORD FOR NORTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

Record of City Council Votes for January 5, 2017		Blidwell	Carney	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	Nash	O'Donnell	Sclarra	Total
Roll Call by Pamela L. Powers, Administrative Assistant to the City Council @ 7:00 pm.		Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	9 Present, 0 Absent
16.226	An Order To Authorize Expenditure Of \$3,120 From Senior Services Gift Fund	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No
16.227	An Order To Authorize Payment Of A Prior Year Bill In The Amount Of \$1,379 For Legal Work	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No
16.216	An Order to authorize the purchase of 5.5 acres on Burts Pit Road	Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

Record of City Council Votes for January 5, 2017		2nd Reading	Bitwell	Carney	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	Nash	O'Donnell	Sotara	Total
16.218	Beaver Brook/Broad Brook Greenway Improvements, Broad Brook Coalition and Leeds Civic Association: \$16,947.		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve as a group Yes	Second Abstain	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention
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16.223	51 Main Street Historic Building Study, Smith Charities: \$10,000											

Record of City Council Votes for January 5, 2017		Bitwell	Carney	Dwight	Klein	LaBarge	Murphy	Nash	O'Donnell	Sciarra	Total
16.228	An Order to declare surplus space at NHS for the purpose of leasing to public access television	1st Reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No
16.229	An Order to authorize a five-year contract for ticket processing services	1st Reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No
16.230	An Order to accept a storm drain easement on Holyoke Street	1st Reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Abstain	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention
17.231	An Order To authorize the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property	1st Reading	Yes	Yes	Yes	Motion to approve Yes	Yes	Yes	Second Yes	Yes	Motion Carried 9 Yes, 0 No

At 8:12 p.m. Councilor LaBarge motioned to adjourn. Councilor Klein seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a voice vote of 9 Yes, 0 No.

Recorded By: Pamela L. Powers, Administrative Assistant to the City Council (413) 587-1210 / ppowers@northamptonma.gov



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DATE: November 28, 2016
TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz
SUBJECT: **Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions**

Please find the attached appointments and re-appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Community Preservation Committee:

- Linda Morley, 244 Prospect Street, Northampton – January 2017 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Council on Aging:

- Donna Park, 205 Prospect Street, Northampton – term November 2016 – June 2019 (replacing the expired term of Walter Bak)
- Mark NeJame, 47 High Street, Florence – term November 2016 – June 2019 (replacing the expired term of Margo Welch)

Historical Commission:

- Barbara Blumenthal, 39 Chapel Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- Bruce Kriviskey, 23 Ice Pond Drive, Florence – term September 2016 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- David Drake, 321 Locust Street, Florence – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- Martha Lyon, 313 Elm Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- Dylan Gaffney, 23 Marshall Street, Northampton – term September 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)

Zoning Board of Appeals:

- Bob Riddle, 47 Water Street, Leeds- term March 2015 – June 2018 (reappointment)
- Sara Northrup, 147 Hinckley Street, Florence – term March 2016 – June 2019 (reappointment)
- David Bloomberg, 86 Vermon Street, Northampton- term March 2015 – June 2018 (reappointment)

Cc: City Clerk, Wendy Mazza

11/17/2016

City of Northampton Mail - Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions



City of Northampton

Recap - term exp Jan 2017
Mayor of Northampton Mass. <mayor@northamptonma.gov>

Community Preservation Committee

Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

1 message

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Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

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First Name	Linda
Last Name	Morley
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	244 Prospect Street
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413-586-0108
Work Phone	Field not completed.
Cell Phone	413-320-7543
Occupation & Place of Employment	Retired, except for some part-time work, as in-house counsel to HAP, Inc.
Email	lmlindamorley@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	42
Age	60 - 69
Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	caucasian

Boards and Committees Community Preservation Committee

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? I would like to continue serving on the Community Preservation Committee for a second term. My particular expertise is in the field of affordable housing. I served as in-house counsel to HAP, Inc. for over 30 years, handling a broad range of issues related to affordable housing and nonprofit governance. At HAP, Inc. I was involved with issues relating to the administration of various housing subsidies, development of single family and multi-family affordable housing, homelessness, domestic violence, homeownership for first-time buyers, and community engagement.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Currently serving on the Community Preservation Committee

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Signature Linda Morley

Date 11/17/2016

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First Name*	Last Name*	Title, if applicable
Donna	Park	

Address1*

205 Prospect Street

Address2

City*	State*	Zip*
Northampton	Mass.	01060

Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone
413-584-6015		

Occupation & Place of Employment

retired teacher

Email

Sex

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

Male Female

Years Lived in Northampton

50+

Age

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- Under 29
- 30 - 39
- 40 - 49
- 50 - 59
- 60 - 69
- 70 plus

Racial / Ethnic Background

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Boards and Committees

Please indicate the boards and committees you have an interest serving on.

- Agricultural Commission
- Almoners, Board of
- Arts Council
- Assessors, Board of
- Central Business Architecture Committee
- Community Preservation Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Council on Aging
- Disability Commission
- Energy & Sustainability Commission
- Health, Board of
- Historical Commission
- Housing Partnership
- Human Rights Commission
- License Commission
- Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Planning Board
- Public Shade Tree Commission
- Public Works Commission
- Redevelopment Authority
- Registrars, Board of
- Transportation & Parking Commission
- Trust Fund Committee
- Youth Commission
- Zoning Board of Appeals

Please list "other" board or committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?*

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?*

- No
- Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on

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Signature*

Donna Park

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First Name	Mark
Last Name	NeJame
Title, if applicable	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Address1	47 High St
Address2	<i>Field not completed.</i>
City	Florence
State	Massachusetts
Zip	01062
Home Phone	4135843927
Work Phone	4135842675
Cell Phone	4132705152
Occupation & Place of Employment	Attorney, NeJame & Kling Law Offices, 90 Conz Street, Northampton, MA 01060
Email	mark_nejame@verizon.net
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	30
Age	50 - 59
Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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Boards and Committees Council on Aging

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? I served on the Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Zoning Board. My practice as an attorney includes Estate Planning and Probate.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Zoning Board

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Signature Mark A. NeJame

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First Name	Barbara
Last Name	Blumenthal
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address 1	39 Chapel Street
Address 2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	Field not completed.
Work Phone	Field not completed.
Cell Phone	Field not completed.
Occupation & Place of Employment	Field not completed.
Email	Field not completed.
Sex	Field not completed.
Years Lived in Northampton	Field not completed.
Age	Field not completed.
Racial / Ethnic Background	Field not completed.
Boards and Committees	Historical Commission
Please list "other" board or	Field not completed.

committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? I have a long-time interest in "historical assets" in the City, having also been involved with Historic Northampton for decades.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Field not completed.

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Signature Barbara B. Blumenthal

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First Name	Bruce
Last Name	Krviskey
Title, if applicable	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Address1	23 Ice Pond Drive
Address2	<i>Field not completed.</i>
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	413/587-7979
Work Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Cell Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Occupation & Place of Employment	Architect and Historic Preservation Planner, Retired
Email	alisonbruce@verizon.net
Sex	Male
Years Lived in Northampton	Eleven
Age	70 plus
Racial / Ethnic Background	White
Boards and Committees	Central Business Architecture Committee, Historical Commission

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? Over forty years experience as an architect, architectural historian, and historic preservation planner.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Historical Commission and Central Business Architecture Committee. Former Chair of CBAC.

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Signature Bruce M. Kriviskey

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First Name	David
Last Name	Drake
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	321 Locust St.
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	Field not completed.
Work Phone	413 562 9500
Cell Phone	413 537-6932
Occupation & Place of Employment	Headmaster, White Oak School, Westfield MA
Email	Davidd321@yahoo.com
Sex	Male
Years Lived in Northampton	26
Age	60 - 69
Racial / Ethnic Background	Field not completed.
Boards and Committees	Historical Commission
Please list "other" board or	Field not completed.

committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? Extensive service on the Historical Commission; familiarity with procedures and responsibilities of the Commission; familiarity with many of the historical resources in the community; served as Chair of the Commission for the past several years.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Community Preservation Committee; currently serving until 2018

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Signature David R. Drake

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Community Preservation Committee, Historical Commission

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First Name	Martha
Last Name	Lyon
Title, if applicable	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Address1	313 Elm Street
Address2	<i>Field not completed.</i>
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413-586-4178
Work Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Cell Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Occupation & Place of Employment	Landscape Architect/Martha Lyon Landscape Architecture, LLC
Email	mhl@marthalyon.com
Sex	Female
Years Lived in Northampton	19
Age	50 - 59
Racial / Ethnic Background	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Boards and Committees	Community Preservation Committee, Historical Commission
Please list "other" board or	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? Licensed landscape architect; principal of design, preservation and planning firm; 19-year resident of Northampton; served on the Historic District Commission and then the Historical Commission (post merger); reside in the historic district; have worked with many Massachusetts communities on CPA-funded projects; prepared the master plan for the Bridge Street Cemetery; provided pro-bono design services for creation of the memorial park at the former Northampton State Hospital site.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on Historic District Commission; Historical Commission

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Signature Martha H. Lyon

Date 9/19/2016

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Historical Commission

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First Name	Dylan
Last Name	Gaffney
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	23 Marshall Street
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	4135873954
Work Phone	4135871013
Cell Phone	Field not completed.
Occupation & Place of Employment	Forbes Library
Email	dgaffney@forbeslibrary.org
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	46
Age	40 - 49
Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	Field not completed.

Boards and Committees Historical Commission

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? Twenty years of library experience with a local history and archives focus. Extensive experience researching historical houses, movements, neighborhoods and residents of the city, including giving historical talks, walks and presentations & creating physical and digital exhibits about the history of the area and its people. Home owner and lifelong resident of the city. Served as archivist for the city's 350th Anniversary Celebration.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on *Field not completed.*

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Signature Dylan Gaffney

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First Name*	Last Name*	Title, if applicable
BOB	RIDDLE	

Address1*

47 WATER ST BOX 175

Address2

City*	State*	Zip*
LEEDS	MA	01053

Home Phone	Work Phone	Cell Phone
413 584 9442		387 5526

Occupation & Place of Employment

SELF EMPLOYED MUSEUM PREPARATOR

Email

Are you a Northampton resident?

- Yes
- No

Years Lived in Northampton

40

Age 72

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

Sex MALE

This information is optional and will be used for diversity purposes only. Complete it only if you wish to do so.

- Under 29 50 - 59 Male Female
 30 - 39 60 - 69
 40 - 49 70 plus

Racial / Ethnic Background

WHITE
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Boards and Committees

Please indicate the boards and committees you have an interest serving on.

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Almoners, Board of | <input type="checkbox"/> License Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Affordable Housing Trust
Fund Board of Trustees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assessors, Board of | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks and Recreation Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Business Architecture
Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Board |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Preservation Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Shade Tree Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council on Aging | <input type="checkbox"/> Registrars, Board of |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation & Parking Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy & Sustainability Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Trust Fund Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health, Board of | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historical Commission | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning Board of Appeals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Partnership | |

Please list "other" board or committee of interest

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?*

AM CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE ZBA

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?*

- No Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on

PLANNING BOARD

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Signature*



Date*

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First Name	Sara
Last Name	Northrup
Title, if applicable	PE
Address 1	147 Hinckley St
Address 2	Field not completed.
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	413-586-0787
Work Phone	413-522-1272
Cell Phone	413-522-1272
Occupation & Place of Employment	Civil Engineer, Capital Project Manager at UMASS Amherst
Email	senorthrup@comcast.net
Sex	Female
Years Lived in Northampton	30
Age	50 - 59
Racial / Ethnic Background	White
Boards and Committees	Zoning Board of Appeals
Please list "other" board or	Field not completed.

committee of interest

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	Civil Engineer, versed in plan review and permitting procedures. I have studied the ordinance and building code. Current Zoning Board member serving several years, chairing periodically.
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Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee?	Yes
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Please list other city committees you have served on	Field not completed.
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Signature	Sara E Northrup
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Date	9/21/2016
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First Name	David
Last Name	Bloomberg
Title, if applicable	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Address1	86 Vernon Street
Address2	Suite 4
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	413 586 7098
Work Phone	413 584 8067
Cell Phone	413 478 7597
Occupation & Place of Employment	Attorney, Fierst, Kane & Bloomberg LLP, 64 Gothic Street, Northampton MA 010160
Email	dbloomberg@fierstkane.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	23
Age	50 - 59
Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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Boards and Committees Zoning Board of Appeals

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? 10+ years of experience on the ZBA, current member; full time real estate attorney for 31 years

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on ZBA

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Signature David Bloomberg

Date 11/2/2016

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MAYOR DAVID J. NARKEWICZ

City of Northampton

Office of the Mayor

210 Main Street Room 12

Northampton, MA 01060-3199

(413) 587-1249 Fax: (413) 587-1275

mayor@northamptonma.gov

DATE: December 13, 2016

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz

SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please find the attached appointments and re-appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Public Shade Tree Commission:

- Molly Hale, 96 Oak Street, Florence MA – term December 2016 - June 2018
(Filling the unexpired term of Andrew Smith)

Cc: City Clerk, Wendy Mazza



City of Northampton

Mayor of Northampton Mass. <mayor@northamptonma.gov>

Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

1 message

noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com>
To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

Tue, Nov 29, 2016 at 2:06 PM

Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Molly
Last Name	Hale
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	96 Oak Street
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Florence
State	MA
Zip	01062
Home Phone	4135850791
Work Phone	4135850791
Cell Phone	4135850791
Occupation & Place of Employment	Field not completed.
Email	hellomolly@comcast.net
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	25+
Age	50 - 59
Sex	Female
Racial / Ethnic Background	caucasian

Boards and Committees Public Shade Tree Commission

Please list "other" board or committee of interest *Field not completed.*

What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment? I'm very familiar with tree identification and ecology. I am a wildlife biologist/naturalist who is self-employed as a land conservation consultant. I do habitat assessments, species inventories, ecological management plans, and education nature programs. I have experience working with a private consulting forester doing timber marking and inventory. I have been involved in climate change activism for many years, including the Northampton Unitarian Climate Action Group (chair), Climate Action Now of Western MA, Transition Northampton, and the Retire your Dryer campaign. I have also served on the Board of the Broad Brook Coalition. I believe strongly in the power of neighborhood organizing, having seen the result of my own organizing efforts in my neighborhood. The climate related benefits of street trees are the strongest benefits for me, and I'm excited about helping to plan and promote this effort.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? No

Please list other city committees you have served on Florence

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Signature Molly Hale

Date 11/29/2016

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City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council January 5, 2017

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

16.226

An Order

to authorize expenditure of \$3,120 from Senior Services Gift Fund

Ordered, that

The following expenditure from the Senior Services Gift Fund (2522541-57806) be approved:

\$3,120 for 13 software licenses for use by seniors in the Senior Center computer room

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

January 5, 2017

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

16.227

An Order

to authorize payment of a prior year bill in the amount of \$1,379 for legal work

BE IT ORDERED

that the Council authorize payment of a prior fiscal year bill (FY2016) in the amount of \$1,379 to Jankowski and Spencer, P.C. for legal work relative to a land acquisition project.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, January 19, 2017

Upon the recommendation of Councilor Alisa Klein and Councilor Maureen Carney

17.235

An Order

Wage compliance certificates in License

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the practice commonly known as "wage theft" – improperly withholding payment from employees and failing to pay them according to required schedules – harms the well-being of employees, their families, and their communities; and

WHEREAS, low income, immigrant, and limited English proficient workers are most vulnerable to this practice; and

WHEREAS, workers in the hospitality service industry are also vulnerable to this practice; and

WHEREAS, the high cost of wage theft to the City, its business community, and its residents impedes the City's economic development and growth; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to ensure that potential and current recipients of licenses issued under G.L. chapter 140 comply with applicable wage laws;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the City Council of the City of Northampton by St. 2012, c. 277, Art. 2, and every other power hereto enabling, the City Council hereby orders and directs as follows:

WAGE COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATES IN LICENSES

The Northampton City Council, in issuing licenses under G.L. c. 140, may consider whether a

potential or current licensee has been subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act in determining whether to issue, re-issue, modify, suspend or revoke a license. The City Council may require a wage bond or insurance be posted by any potential licensee who has been subject to a federal or state criminal or civil judgment, administrative citation, order or final administrative determination resulting from a violation of G.L. c. 149, c. 151, or the Fair Labor Standards Act. Licensees that are subject to a state or federal debarment for violation of the above laws, either voluntarily or involuntarily, or that have been prohibited from contracting with the Commonwealth or any of its agencies or subdivisions shall be prohibited from holding, or continuing to hold, licenses issued under G.L. c. 140, for the entire period of debarment or other stated time period.

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council January 5, 2017

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

16.228

An Order

to declare surplus space at NHS for the purpose of leasing to public access television

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, the School Department has leased out space at Northampton High School to Northampton Cable TV (NCTV) since 2006 and currently has a lease with NCTV ending August 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, before the space can be leased again, the School Committee and the City Council must vote to declare that the space is not needed for school department purposes, and the School Department must obtain permission from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to lease the surplus space;

WHEREAS; School Administrators feel there is substantial benefits to the students to having a public access television station located in the building;

WHEREAS; an RFP will be issued to lease the space for public access television purposes;

WHEREAS, M.G.L. c. 30B, s. 16 requires a vote of the City Council to surplus any interest in public property prior to its disposal,

Ordered that,

the space at Northampton High School currently occupied by NCTV is declared surplus and available to be leased for public access television purposes for a period not to exceed ten years.

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council _____ January 5, 2017

Upon recommendation of the Mayor

16.229

An Order

to authorize a five-year contract for ticket processing services

Ordered, that

Whereas, ticket processing services are a necessity to efficiently operate our parking enforcement program;

Whereas, a five year contract is necessary for continuity and consistency for ticket processing services, and provides the best value to the City,

Now therefore be it ordered,

That the Treasurer/Collector's Parking Enforcement Division is authorized to enter into a five-year contract for provision of ticket processing services.



City of Northampton

Massachusetts

In City Council, January 5, 2017

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

16.230

An Order

to accept a storm drain easement on Holyoke Street

Ordered, that

- WHEREAS, A brick Market Street to Mill River storm sewer, built in circa 1846, is located on the property that was formerly the site of Northampton Lumber Company at Pleasant and Holyoke Streets, shown as Parcel 171 on Assessors Map 32C, and now or formerly owned by Gail M. Labarge (“Northampton Lumber Property”); and
- WHEREAS, The storm sewer has no recorded easement where it crosses the Northampton Lumber Property; and
- WHEREAS, The City received a MassWorks grant that will allow us to replace 310 feet of that storm sewer, both replacing legacy infrastructure and leveraging economic development; and
- WHEREAS, Valley Community Development Corporation, which is under contract to purchase the Northampton Lumber Property, has offered to donate an easement for the replacement storm sewer system on that property;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the City of Northampton City Council authorizes the Mayor to acquire by gift storm drain easements in, on and under the Northampton Lumber Property on such terms and conditions as the Mayor deems advisable.



City of Northampton

Massachusetts

In City Council, January 5, 2017

Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

16.231

An Order

To authorize the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property

Ordered, that

WHEREAS, In 2009, City Council authorized the City, through the Conservation Commission, to accept a deed or deeds to the buffer on the outside of the developed Village Hill area at the former Northampton State Hospital on the north campus; and

WHEREAS, Sturbridge Development, LLC owns land on the northwest corner of Village Hill Road in Village Hill more particularly shown as 2016 Assessors Map ID 31C-017; and

WHEREAS, Sturbridge Development, LLC, has offered, through the land use permitting process, to donate one or more Public Right of Way Easement(s) to allow access from their housing development to the open space on the northerly side of their development for pedestrian access and an eventual multi-use trail;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

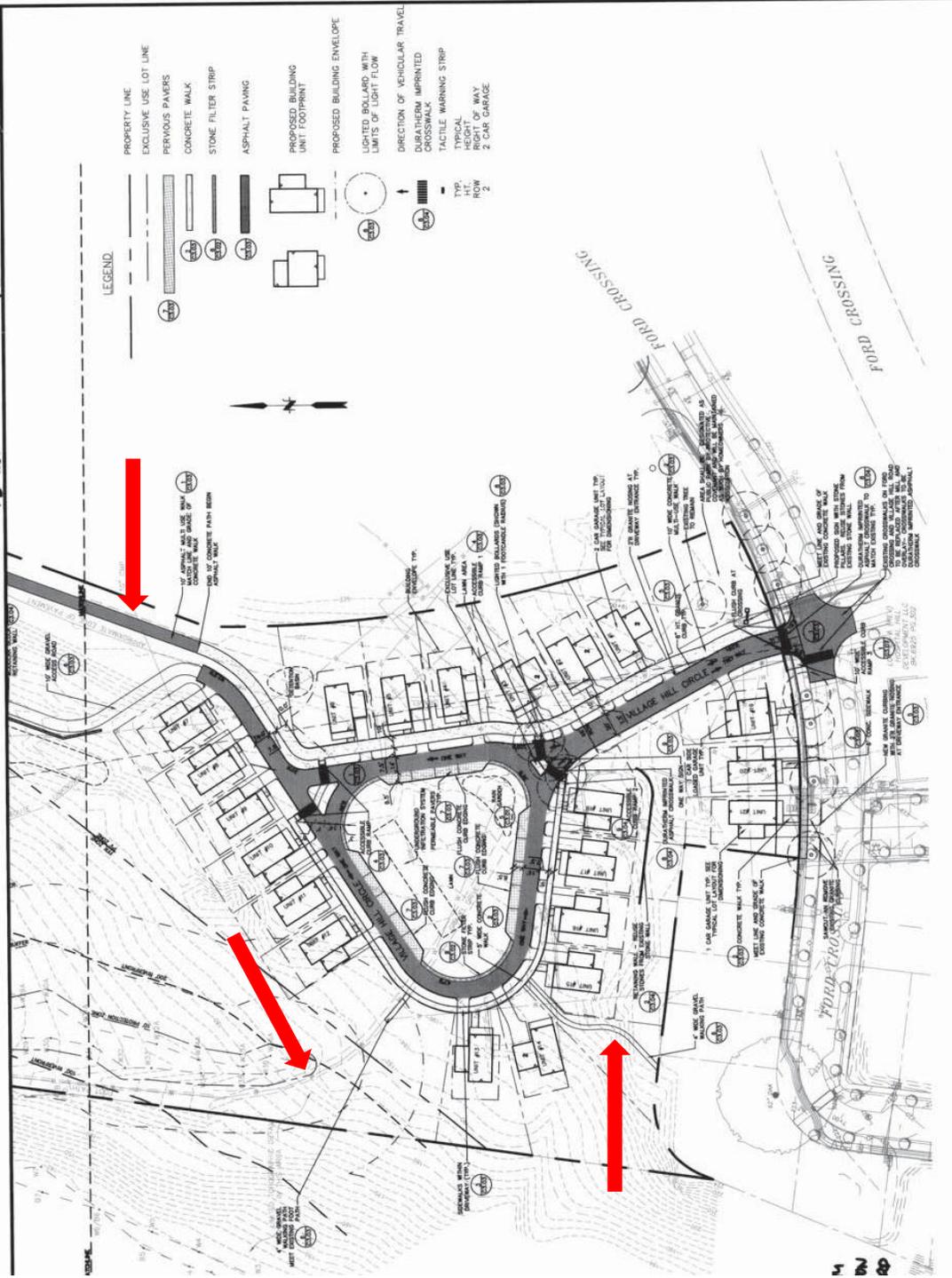
That the City of Northampton City Council authorizes the Mayor to acquire by gift one or more public right of way easements on the Sturbridge Development LLC property on such terms and conditions as the Mayor deems advisable.



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KENT PECOY & SONS CONSTRUCTION, INC.
SITE LAYOUT PLAN
VILLAGE HILL NORTHVIEW LOT - DEFINITIVE PLAN
NORTHAMPTON MASSACHUSETTS

FUSS & O'NEILL
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
115 WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 200
NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01060
TEL: 413.253.1111
WWW.FUSSANDONEILL.COM

SCALE	HORIZ. 1" = 40'
VERT.	1" = 10'
DATE	09/22/2016
VERT.	1" = 10'
GRAPHIC SCALE	



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CITY OF NORTHAMPTON MASSACHUSETTS

In the City Council, January 5th, 2017

Upon the Recommendation of Councilors Ryan R. O'Donnell and William H. Dwight

O-17.232 AN ORDER

TO AMEND THE COUNCIL RULES

Ordered, that the following amendments to the Rules be adopted:

2.6.1.4. COMMITTEE on LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

2.6.1.4.1. Upon referral by the City Council, ~~t~~The Committee shall have the power to make recommendations on ordinances, orders, resolutions and the rules of the City Council. ~~The Committee shall also make~~ **Such** recommendations ~~on all proposed ordinances;~~ **shall be made** in consultation with the City Solicitor.

2.6.1.4.2. The Committee may choose to be the last committee to review any matter that is also referred to another Council committee. The Committee shall not be required to wait to receive the report of any executive commission.

2.6.1.4.3. The Committee shall consist of four Councilors.

2.6.1.4.4. Related departments, boards and agencies: Legal Services; City Clerk; License Commission; and any other department, board or agency.

2.6.2.6. Duty to report. ~~For the purposes of this section,~~ **“To report”** shall mean transmitting a positive/**favorable**, negative/**unfavorable** or neutral recommendation and associated votes as well as any suggested textual amendments and related documents.

2.6.2.6.1 For matters referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters, among others: All committees other than the Committee on Legislative Matters shall report to the Committee on Legislative Matters and the City Council within 60 days, whereupon the Committee on Legislative Matters shall report to the full City Council within an additional 30 days.

2.6.2.6.2 For matters referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters exclusively: The Committee on Legislative Matters shall report to the full City Council within 60 days.

2.6.2.6.3 For matters referred to committees not including the Committee on Legislative Matters: Committees shall report to the full City Council within 90 days.

2.6.2.6.4 Committees shall make all reports in writing.

5.2. REFERRAL OF MATTERS TO COMMITTEES.

5.2.1. In general, all matters may be referred to Council committees **or executive multiple-member bodies, which shall constitute a request for a report on such matters.** ~~or their report.~~

5.2.2. Financial orders. No order or resolution authorizing a loan, the levying of a tax or the expenditure of money (with the exception of the printing of the annual reports) shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Finance. It shall be the duty of such committee to report on the relation of such order, resolution, levy or expenditures to the finances of the City, but new provisions shall not be added to such resolution, order, levy or expenditure by the Committee unless directly connected with the financial features thereof, and then by recommendation only.

5.2.3. Ordinances. No ordinance shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Legislative Matters.

5.2.4. Licenses and permits. Licenses and permits may be referred to the Committee on Community Resources for the committee's recommendation.

5.2.5 Should a committee fail to report within the time set forth in Section 2.6.2.6, or if a multiple-member body fails to report within 45 days of referral to that body, the City Council shall be authorized to proceed with the matter in absence of such report.

5.1.2 PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL, MAYOR. Every new ordinance, order and resolution or other matter ~~proposed by a City Councilor, Council committee, the Office of the Mayor including City Departments and Executive Commissions~~ to be submitted for City Council action shall be forwarded to the Mayor, Council President and Administrative Assistant to the City Council, ~~for placement on the agenda of the City Council.~~

5.3 SOLICITOR REVIEW OF ORDINANCES. At or before the meeting at which the Committee on Legislative Matters considers any matter for approval and/or recommendation the City Solicitor **shall be requested to** examine the matter's form and legal character.

**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS**

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of the Department of Public Works.

**16.184
AN ORDINANCE**

**RELATIVE TO THE OPERATION OF
HEAVY VEHICLES**

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

That the § 312-75 of the Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

§ 312-75 Compression release engine brake use; operation of heavy commercial vehicles.

~~C. Warnings and penalties for repeated use of truck detours. Operators of heavy commercial vehicles as defined in § 312-1 may first be issued an informational warning for using established truck detours on Lincoln Avenue and Phillips Place for the purpose of correcting a navigation error that would otherwise have led the vehicle to a prohibited route. However, operators who have previously received such a warning within the last two years shall be subject to a fine of \$300.~~

**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS**

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra

**16.213
AN ORDINANCE**

**RELATIVE TO PARKING ON CENTER STREET
AND MARKET STREET**

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

That the § 312-104 of the Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

§ 312-104 Schedule III: Limited-Time Parking.

Center street	Northerly	15 mins./8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Monday through Saturday	A point 161 feet easterly from Center Court	A point 179 feet easterly from Center Court
<u>Center Street</u>	<u>Southerly</u>	<u>15 mins./8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Monday through Saturday</u>	<u>A point 214 feet easterly from Masonic Street</u>	<u>A point 229 feet easterly from Masonic Street</u>
<u>Market Street</u>	<u>North-easterly</u>	<u>15 mins./8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Monday through Saturday</u>	<u>A point 155 feet southeasterly from Graves Avenue</u>	<u>A point 173 feet southeasterly from Graves Avenue</u>



**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON
MASSACHUSETTS**

In the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen

Upon the Recommendation of the Department of Public Works.

**16.214
AN ORDINANCE**

RELATIVE TO A YIELD SIGN ON MAPLE STREET

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

That the § 312-113 of the Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

§ 312-113 Schedule XII: Stop and Yield Intersections.

C. Isolated yield signs. Yield intersections are established at the following locations:

Name of Street	Direction of Travel	At Intersection of
Maple Street	Northeast	Nonotuck Street

Final Report to the Northampton City Council on the Committee Study Request on the Local Economy (Issued on March 3, 2016)

City Council Committee on Community Resources
January 12, 2017

City Councilor Gina-Louise Sciarra, Chair
City Councilor Dennis Bidwell, Vice-chair
City Councilor Maureen Carney
City Councilor Alisa Klein

OVERVIEW

In March, 2016, the City Council's Community Resources Committee was asked by the Council's President and Vice President to "study issues relative to the local economy, with a focus on businesses and workers in downtown Northampton and downtown Florence, for the purpose of identifying practical recommendations, if any, that the City Council could pursue to strengthen the local economy." As detailed in the Committee's July 18 interim report to the City Council, between March and June the Committee held four public forums to hear concerns and recommendations from a broad range of different constituencies, received reports and testimony from several members of the Mayor's staff, and received reports and commentary from various outside experts and groups as well.

At the Committee's meetings in September, October and November, the Committee deliberated on possible recommendations going forward. This report lays out those recommendations, which consist of:

- Seeking the cooperation of the Mayor in convening a forum
- Asking the Mayor to convene a task force
- Preparing a draft Council resolution and order
- Referral for consideration by other committees or agencies
- Public education efforts through newspaper opinions pieces, etc.

ARTS, DOWNTOWN EVENTS, PROMOTION

The Committee heard a great deal of commentary about the value of downtown events, the major contributions of artists and arts organizations to the City's vitality and economy, and the need for even more of these events, combined with even greater levels of promotion. Specific comments and recommendations expressed at the Committee's forums addressed topics such as: better promotion of Arts Night Out; development of a year-round downtown market in a permanent home; greater visibility on travel websites; more festivals and events at different locations downtown; more "pop-up" art in non-traditional locations; more arts venues.

Recognizing that the City and various non-profit arts organizations already provide a broad range of exciting and well-promoted events, and are already addressing many of the issues cited above, **the Committee recommends that, with the cooperation of the Mayor, the Committee join with other groups to host a one-time forum on the topics of downtown arts, events promotion, and how City government (i.e. City Council, the Mayor's Office, City staff and City committees and commissions) can potentially play an enhanced role in these realms. We would propose that a small working group, including one of our Committee members, organize a forum designed to include all arts-related organizations and organizations involved in downtown events planning and promotion.**

Possible topics for such a forum would be:

- Report from the Regional Tourism Council on their marketing efforts, with updated data on tourism-related spending
- Is there a need for a specific downtown marketing strategy?
- Are there revenue streams that could be dedicated to downtown marketing?
- Updates on downtown arts and events programming for 2017
- Review of arts programming and events planned for Florence Center
- Updates on mechanisms for coordinating the activities of all groups and their promotion
- Is there a master calendar for the planning of such events?
- Outreach for volunteers (for events, for board vacancies, etc.)
- Soliciting support of media in events promotion and volunteer recruitment
- What can the City Council and other City offices, committees and commissions do to be of additional help?

AT-RISK DOWNTOWN POPULATIONS AND “PANHANDLING”

The Committee heard a great deal of commentary from a broad range of downtown stakeholders over multiple meetings on the topic of the at-risk and marginalized downtown populations and solicitation for money, or “panhandling.” Many comments centered on the needs of the individuals, while many other comments were directed towards the perceived issues around actions, particularly solicitation for money. The complexity of this issue, and the extreme sensitivity required to address it, was made clear. As a committee, we are committed to the constitutionally-protected rights of all people in public spaces, and recognize the contributions of all to the fabric and vibrancy of our community. We recognize the impact the opioid crisis is having on the at-risk community, and how potential cuts to social services in federal and state funding may expand that community.

The Committee recommends that the Mayor convene a task force of city employees, representatives from social service, housing and advocacy organizations, downtown stakeholders, and a member of this Committee, to explore non-ordinance and non-punitive ways of addressing the needs of downtown at-risk populations and ways that expanded resources can be directed towards the agencies and organizations doing direct work with our at-risk populations.

Possible topics to be tackled by such a task force might include:

- Coordinating services to at-risk populations
- Additional resources for social service outreach professionals to increase their current work connecting personally with potentially at-risk individuals downtown
- Finding effective ways to facilitate contributions to agencies and organizations providing services to at-risk populations
 - Effective messaging
 - Use of new technologies

- Alternative donation locations
- What can the City Council and other City offices, committees and commissions do to be of additional help?

At an appropriate time, we would envision a City Council resolution in support of the approaches recommended by such a task force.

WORKER ISSUES

The Committee heard a great deal of commentary about working conditions facing some restaurant workers and some construction workers. Comments ranged from some employers not paying minimum wage, some workers not being paid for overtime, fear of retaliation by managers, and dangerous working conditions. The Committee also heard concerns about painting all employers, especially restaurant owners, with the same brush.

Councilors Klein and Carney have been meeting with the Mayor and the City Solicitor to develop City responses addressing wage theft related issues. **The Committee recommends that a draft Executive Order being prepared by the Mayor, and a proposed Council Resolution and Order, be brought to the Council.**

The Committee also expressed interest in supporting one or more resolutions supportive of state legislation aimed at strengthening the Attorney General’s ability to enforce worker condition and wage-related statutes.

OVERALL STATE OF THE DOWNTOWN ECONOMY

The Committee heard considerable commentary expressing concerns about the state of Northampton’s downtown economy, ranging from the number of retail vacancies and high rents on Main Street, to the effects of e-retail and the looming Springfield casino project. The Committee also heard appreciation for the Council’s unwavering support of a single tax rate, for the generous support shown local non-profits by downtown businesses, and for the City’s investment in improvements at the Academy of Music. (Pulaski Park hadn’t yet opened at the time of these forums.)

The Committee also heard presentations from the City’s Economic Development Director, from realtors, and from the Chamber of Commerce, all providing various data points and perspectives on the state of downtown.

The Committee recommends that it communicate its view of the state of Northampton’s Downtown Economy in one or two opinion pieces to appear in the local press.

Perhaps one such piece might summarize the facts about downtown occupancy rates, public and private investments, recent successful business transitions, hotel/meal tax trends, etc. It might

also be appropriate in such a piece to highlight the Council's unanimous and consistent support for the Factor of One property tax.

Another opinion piece might cover such topics as:

- The fact that Northampton's downtown is the envy of almost all other cities our size
- The need to be aware of the looming impacts of the Springfield Casino and the ever-present effects of on-line commerce
- Innovative ways of encouraging "shop local"
- The need to support the Downtown Northampton Association.
- An encouragement to landlords to show restraint regarding rents (And a reminder that the Council is limited in doing more than that)
- A recognition that the vast majority of restaurants play by the rules and are worthy of our patronage
- Encourage more businesses to validate for the garage parking
- The importance of pressing for long-awaited commuter rail service

At the appropriate time, the Committee imagines a Council resolution supportive of measures to further strengthen an already strong and resilient downtown.

REFER TO TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION

A variety of issues came up that the Committee recommends be referred for study to the Transportation and Parking Commission, such as:

- **Request an update for North-South commuter rail**
- **Review of loading zone ordinance**
- **Review the parking ticket appeals process**
- **Explore whether the Council should seek a seat on the PVTA Board**

IN CONCLUSION

With submission of these recommendations, the Community Resources Committee concludes its study of the local economy pursuant to the March, 2016 Committee Study Request. However, the Committee looks forward to staying involved in all of these issues and making further recommendations in the months ahead, as necessary, to continue drawing attention to the need for a vibrant and healthy downtown Northampton and Florence Center economy.



**CITY COUNCIL
NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

January 19, 2017

Dear Chair Murphy and Members of the Committee on Finance,

As you know, the Charter requires the City Council to hold public hearings and to vote on both the city budget and the capital improvement program as part of the annual budget process. Unfortunately, for the last two years, these hearings have garnered little to no attendance by the public.

Because the budget is a document of central importance that the community should consider and understand, the City Council should be active in its outreach to the public as part of its responsibilities in the budget process.

Therefore pursuant Section 2.3.8 of the Council Rules, please consider this request that the Committee on Finance discuss and propose a plan to increase citizen participation and engagement in the City Council's budget hearings for fiscal year 2018, and report back to the full Council.

Sincerely,

William H. Dwight
City Council President

Ryan R. O'Donnell
City Council Vice President