



CITY COUNCIL
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Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
Walter J. Puchalski Municipal Building
212 Main Street, Northampton
Meeting Date: November 1, 2018
Meeting Time: 7:00pm

1. Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

This meeting may be audio/video recorded for broadcasting by Northampton Community Television.

2. Public Comment

3. Roll Call

4. Public Hearings

A. Announcement of Public Hearing - 18.169 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Dryads Green (Petition #27045389)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a public hearing will be held on November 15, 2018 @ 7:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, on the petition of National Grid/Verizon New England to erect poles and wires upon, along, under or

across one or more public ways. Pole Petition #27045389 - Dryads Green.

Documents:

[18.169 National Grid - Verizon Pole Petition for Dryads Green.pdf](#)
[18.169 DPW Recommendation re Dryads Green.pdf](#)

B. Public Hearing regarding FY2019 Tax Levy

Public Hearing Notice published October 18, 2018 and October 25, 2018 per M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 56.

The Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing to discuss the percentages of the local tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property within the City of Northampton for FY 2019 in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Information regarding this issue will be available for public inspection in the City Clerk's office on or before October 30, 2018 after 12:00 p.m.

Documents:

[FY2019 Tax Classification Hearing Presentation.pdf](#)

5. Updates from Council President & Committee Chairs

6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors

7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor

8. Resolutions

A. 18.186 A Resolution Reaffirming Northampton and Massachusetts Non-Discrimination Laws Prohibiting Discrimination in Places of Public Accommodation on the Basis of Gender Identity and Gender Expression - 2nd reading

History:

- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.186 A Resolution Reaffirming Northampton and MA Non-Discrimination Laws Prohibiting Discrimination in Places of Public Accommodation.pdf](#)

B. 18.197 A Resolution Opposing a Renewed Application for Expansion of the Pioneer Valley Chinese Immersion Charter School - 1st reading

Documents:

[18.197 A Resolution Opposing a Renewed Application for Expansion of the PPCI Charter School.pdf](#)

9. Presentations

10. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of October 18, 2018

Documents:

[10-18-2018_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 18.198 Appointments to Various Committees - for referral to City Services

Conservation Commission

Randy Krotowski, 171 Emerson Way, Florence

Term: October 2018-June 2019

To fill the unexpired term of Lisa Fusco

Housing Partnership

Alexander Jarrett, 8 High Street, Florence

Term: October 2018-June 2019

To fill a vacancy left by the resignation of Alison Brauner

Human Rights Commission

Jeromie Whalen, 31 Union Street, Northampton

Term: October 2018-June 2019

To fill the unexpired term of Christine Young

Documents:

[18.198 Appointments to Various Committees.pdf](#)

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

12. Financial Orders (on 1st reading pending Finance review)

Rule 2.6 requires the Finance Committee to consider certain financial matters.

A. 18.192 An Order to Establish a Tax Classification for FY2019 - 1st Reading

Documents:

[18.192 An Order to Establish a Tax Classification for FY2019.pdf](#)

B. 18.193 An Order to Authorize Supplemental Appropriation from Water Stabilization Fund for Storage Building at WTP - 1st reading

Process note: The Mayor's office requests two readings as the bid is only good for a certain period of time.

Documents:

[18.193 An Order to Authorize Supplemental Appropriation from Water Stabilization Fund for Storage Building at WTP.pdf](#)

C. 18.194 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days - 1st reading

Documents:

[18.194 An Order to Suspend Parking Fees on Certain Days.pdf](#)

13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 18.176 An Order to Reprogram AOM Capital Project Surplus to AOM Stage Door Handicapped Access Capital Project - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.176 Order to Reprogram AOM Capital Project Surplus to AOM Stage Door Handicapped Access Capital Project.pdf](#)

B. 18.177 An Order to Increase Senior Tax Work-Off Program Maximum Abatement - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.177 An Order to Increase Senior Tax Work-Off Program Maximum Abatement.pdf](#)

C. 18.178 An Order to Increase Veterans Tax Work-Off Program Maximum Abatement - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.178 An Order to Increase Veterans Tax Work-Off Program Maximum](#)

D. 18.180 An Order to Authorize PILOT Agreement with Syncarpha Solar, LLC - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.180 An Order to Authorize PILOT Agreement with Syncarpha Solar, LLC.pdf](#)

E. 18.181 An Order to Approve the Purchase of 119 Acres on Marble Brook, Leeds - 2nd reading

Process note: Bond counsel has requested amendments to the order to reflect new provisions of the Municipal Modernization Act.

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.181 An Order to Approve the Purchase of 119 Acres on Marble Brook, Leeds.pdf](#)

[18.181 An Order to Approve the Purchase of 119 Acres on Marble Brook, Leeds - as amended by bond counsel.103118.pdf](#)

F. 18.185 An Order to Reprogram Radio Hardware Funds for Radio Hardware and Radio Consulting - 2nd reading

History:

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 10/18/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18.2018

Documents:

[18.185 An Order to Reprogram Radio Hardware Funds for Radio Hardware and Radio Consulting Services.pdf](#)

14. Orders

15. Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

Rule 5.2.3 provides that no ordinance shall be voted on by the City Council until it has been considered by the Committee on Legislative Matters.

A. 18.195 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Grove Avenue

History:

- Positive recommendation, Transportation & Parking Commission - 10/16/2018

Documents:

B. 18.196 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Wilder Place

History:

- Positive recommendation, Transportation & Parking Commission - 10/16/2018

Documents:

[18.196 An Ordinance Relative to Parking on Wilder Place.pdf](#)

16. Ordinances

A. 18.125 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312-104 of the Code Book - 2nd reading

History:

- referred by City Council to Legislative Matters and Transportation & Parking Commission (TPC) - 6/21/2018
- Positive recommendation contingent on positive recommendation from TPC, Legislative Matters - 10/09/2018
- Positive recommendation, TPC - 10/16/2018
- Passed 1st reading - 10/18/2018

Documents:

[18.125 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 312-104 of the Code Book.pdf](#)

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

18. New Business

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