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Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
212 Main Street, Northampton
Thursday, March 2, 2023, 7 p.m.

The public may follow the council's deliberations by attending in person, watching the meeting live on Comcast channel 15, live-streaming it on YouTube [here](#) or joining the virtual meeting by phone or computer. Live public comment is available beginning at 7 p.m.

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MEETING ID: 845 2122 8288

PARTICIPANT#: #

PASSCODE: 279430

1. Roll Call

2. Announcement that meeting is being Audio/Video Recorded

This meeting is being audio/video recorded.

3. Public Hearings

**A. Announcement of Public Hearing on 22.199 National Grid/Verizon Pole
Petition for North Main Street (Petition #30610121)**

Per M.G.L. Ch. 166, Section 22, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 7 p.m.** in Council Chambers, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA on National Grid/Verizon's petition to install two (2) jointly-owned stub poles on North Main Street. (Petition #30610121). Instructions for accessing the hearing remotely may be found on the March 16, 2023 City Council agenda to be posted on www.northamptonma.gov no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon.

Documents:

[22.199 DPW Memo.pdf](#)

[22.199 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for North Main Street.pdf](#)

B. Announcement of Public hearing re: Northampton Capital Improvement Program for FY2024 - FY2028 - Thursday, March 16, 2023

In accordance with Article 7, Section 7-5 of the Charter, the Northampton City Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 7:05 p.m. in City Council Chambers, Wallace J. Puchalski Municipal Building, 212 Main Street, Northampton, MA The City Council will consider the Capital Improvement Program for FY2024-FY2028, and hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon. The CIP is available for inspection online at wwwnorthamptonma.gov.

4. Public Comment

5. Announcements from Councilors and the Mayor

6. Presentations

7. Consent Agenda

Rule 4.4.4 There shall be no debate or discussion by any City Council member regarding any item on the Consent Agenda, beyond asking questions for simple clarification.

Rule 4.4.5 Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of any City Council member prior to the taking of a vote on the motion to approve it. All such items will be considered individually, in the order in which they were removed, immediately following consideration of the Consent Agenda.

A. Minutes of February 2, 2023

Documents:

[02-02-2023_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 23.249 An Order to Appropriate \$30,000 Free Cash for City Hall Campus Space Study - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to consent agenda - 2/16/2023

Documents:

C. 23.250 An Order to Appropriate \$30,000 Free Cash for Recreational Field Usage and Responsibility Study - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to consent agenda - 2/16/2023

Documents:

[23.250 An Order to Appropriate 30,000 Free Cash for Recreational Field Usage and Responsibility Study.pdf](#)

8. Financial Orders (on 1st reading)

Rule 2.6.1.1.1 Process. Financial orders will be introduced and discussed at a full City Council meeting and referred to either the consent agenda of a future meeting or the Finance Committee for more public input, discussion and recommendation.

A. 23.253 An Order to Approve FY23 COLA Increase for Retirees

Documents:

[23.253 An Order to Approve FY23 COLA increase for Retirees.pdf](#)

9. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

10. Orders

11. 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.

12. Zoning Ordinances (Not yet Referred)

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13. Zoning Ordinances

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

15. Resolutions

A. 23.252 A Resolution in Support of the Annual Observance of COVID-19 Remembrance Day - 1st reading

Process note: Sponsors respectfully request suspension of rules to allow the resolution to be approved tonight since the proposed COVID-19 Remembrance Day is the first Monday of March.

Documents:

[23.252 A Resolution in Support of the Annual Observance of COVID-19 Remembrance Day.pdf](#)

16. New Business

Rule 4.9 NEW BUSINESS. Any Councilor may introduce any written proposed

order, ordinance, or resolution to be considered by the Council at the next meeting, but not to be debated during new business.

17. Adjourn

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