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Meeting Agenda
City Council Chambers
212 Main Street, Northampton
Thursday, April 13, 2023, 7 p.m.

This City Council meeting will be conducted in hybrid format with the option for both councilors and the public to either attend in person or participate remotely. 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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PASSCODE: 279430

1. Roll Call

2. Announcement that meeting is being Audio/Video Recorded

This meeting is being audio/video recorded.

3. Public Hearings

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 March 16, 2023 and March 30, 2023

Documents:

[03-16-2023_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

[03-30-2023_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

B. 23.276 Appointment to the Arts Council, positive recommendation, City Services - 4/3/2023

Arts Council

Ronald Smith, 14 Emily Lane, Northampton

Term: February 2023-June 2026

To fill a vacancy

Documents:

[23.276 Appointment to the Arts Council.pdf](#)

C. 23.284 An Order to Reprogram Funds for Ryan Road Fire Alarm Panel Repair - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to consent agenda - 3/30/2023

Documents:

[23.284 An Order to Reprogram Funds for Ryan Road Fire Alarm Panel Repair.pdf](#)

D. 23.285 An Order to Accept Smith College Gift to Conduct School Corridor Safety Study - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to consent agenda - 3/30/2023

Documents:

[23.285 An Order to Accept Smith College Gift to Conduct School Corridor Safety Study.pdf](#)

E. 23.287 An Order to Appropriate \$30,000 to Evaluate the Feasibility of Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to consent agenda - 3/30/2023

Documents:

[23.287 An Order to Appropriate 30,000 to Evaluate the Feasibility of Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems.pdf](#)

F. 23.292 Applications for Renewal of Secondhand Dealer Licenses

Applications for Renewal of Secondhand Dealer Licenses:

Antiques Corner, 81 Loudville Road

Applicant: Louis M. Farrick

Cancer Connection Thrift Shop, 375 South Street

Applicant: Christine Quinn

Cumberland Rare Books, 9 1/2 Market Street

Applicant: Hosea Baskin

Electric Eye Records, 52 Main Street, #6

Applicant: Andrew Crespo

The Family Jewels, 56 Green Street

Applicant: Richard J. Stone

Le Bonton, LLC, 150 Main Street, Suite 292

Applicant: Cigdem Turkomer

Roz's Place, 6 Bridge Street

Applicant: Timothy Saldo

The Vintage Cellar, 11 Bridge Street

Applicant: Daniel Egan

Documents:

[23.292 Applications for Renewal of Secondhand Dealer Licenses.pdf](#)

G. 23.293 Applications for Two (2) Taxicab Licenses, Charles Bandoh Ackeifi - Hampton Taxi Service LLC

Renewal Licenses for Taxicabs for the following vehicles:

- 2009 Chrysler Town & Country - Silver

- 2010 Chrysler Town & Country - Silver

Documents:

H. 23.294 Application for Business Owner's Permit - Charles Bandoh Acekifi, Hampton Taxi Service LLC

Renewal License for:

Charles Bandoh Acekifi, Hampton Taxi Service, LLC

Business Address: 19 Maple Street, Easthampton, MA 01027

Documents:

23.294 Application for Business Owners Permit - Charles Bandoh Acekifi, Hampton Taxi Service LLC.pdf

**I. 23.295 Appointments to Various Committees, for referral to City Services
Energy & Sustainability Commission**

Angela Gregory, 595 Haydenville Road, Leeds

Term: May 2023-June 2026

To fill a vacancy

Eric Winkler, 105 Pine Street, Florence

Term: May 2023-June 2026

To fill a vacancy

Urban Forestry Commission

Richard Parrish, 138 South Street, Northampton

Term: May 2023-June 2026

To fill a vacancy

Zoning Board of Appeals

Sherry Taylor, 25 Edwards Square, Northampton (Associate Member)

Term: May 2023-June 2026

To fill a vacancy

Documents:

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

J. 23.296 Petitions for Pool Table Licenses - Packard's

Renewal Licenses for:

Packards, 14 Masonic Street
Weekday and Sunday Pool Table Licenses
Applicant: Robert E. McGovern

Documents:

[23.296 Petitions for Pool Table Licenses - Packards.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. 23.290 An Order to Reprogram Funds for NHS Heating System Repair - 1st reading

Documents:

[23.290 An Order to Reprogram Funds for NHS Heating System Repair.pdf](#)

B. 23.291 An Order Authorizing Taking Parcel N to Expand the Connecticut River Greenway - 1st reading

Documents:

[23.291 An Order Authorizing Taking Parcel N to Expand the Connecticut River Greenway.pdf](#)
[23.291 Order of Taking.pdf](#)

C. 23.297 An Order to Reprogram Funds for City Wide Elevator Upgrades - 1st reading

Process note: Suspension of rules is respectfully requested to allow approval of the order at the same meeting at which it is introduced.

Documents:

[23.297 An Order to Reprogram Funds for City Wide Elevator Upgrades.pdf](#)

D. 23.298 An Order to Reprogram Funds for Ryan Road School Renovations - 1st reading

Documents:

[23.298 An Order to Reprogram Funds for Ryan Road School Renovations.pdf](#)

9. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

A. 23.289 An Order to Establish Water and Sewer Rates for FY2024 - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Finance Committee for public hearing and recommendation - 3/30/2023
- Public hearing held, positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 4/3/2023

Documents:

[23.289 An Order to Establish Water and Sewer Rates for FY2024.pdf](#)

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.

A. 17.240 Order to Lower Default Speed Limit to 25 mph

History:

- Referred to Transportation and Parking Commission (TPC) and Legislative Matters - 11/16/2017
- Discussed and continued, LM - 12/11/2017
- Neutral recommendation, LM - 2/12/2018
- No consensus reached so no recommendation returned - TPC

Documents:

[17.240 Order to Lower Default Speed Limit to 25 mph - redlined version.pdf](#)

[17.240 Order to Lower Default Speed Limit to 25 mph.pdf](#)

12. Ordinances

A. 23.278 An Ordinance to Reclassify Parking Meter Zones on Elm Street - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters (LM) - 3/30/2023
- Positive recommendation, LM - 4/10/2023

Documents:

[23.278 An Ordinance to Reclassify Parking Meter Zones on Elm Street.pdf](#)

B. 23.279 An Ordinance to Clarify Parking Garage Time Limits - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Legislative Matters (LM) - 3/30/2023
- Positive recommendation, LM - 4/10/2023

Documents:

[23.279 An Ordinance to Clarify Parking Garage Time Limits.pdf](#)

13. Zoning 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.

14. Zoning Ordinances

A. 23.247 An Ordinance to Clarify Reduced Lot Line Uses Allowed by Right - 2nd reading

History:

- Referred to Planning Board (PB) and Legislative Matters (LM) - 2/16/2023
- PB public hearing held; positive recommendation - 3/9/2023
- LM public hearing held; positive recommendation - 4/10/2023

Documents:

[23.247 An Ordinance to Clarify Reduced Lot Line Uses Allowed by Right.pdf](#)

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

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. Resolutions

18. Adjourn

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