



CITY COUNCIL  
**CITY OF NORTHAMPTON**  
MASSACHUSETTS

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**Meeting Agenda**  
**On-line Video Conference**  
**Meeting Date: May 21, 2020**  
**Meeting Time: 7 p.m.**

The May 21, 2020 City Council meeting will be held via remote participation. The public can follow the council's deliberations by watching the meeting live on Comcast channel 15, live-streaming it on youtube or joining the virtual meeting by phone or video conference. For the active youtube link, please see Northampton Open Media's website: <http://northamptonopenmedia.org/>

Live public comment will be available using telephone call-in or video conferencing technology beginning at 7 p.m.

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**+1 253 215 8782 US +1 301 715 8592 US Enter Meeting ID: 958 9984 0819 Password: 313462 and Participant #: # You will be invited to make your comment by the host in the order in which your call is received.**

**1. Announcement that Meeting is Being Held Via Remote Participation and Audio/Video Recorded**

This meeting is being held via remote participation and audio/video recorded.

**2. Public Comment**

### 3. Roll Call

### 4. Public Hearings

#### A. Announcement of Public Hearing - City Council Budget Hearings June 3rd and 4th, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, and in accordance with Section 7-4 of the Charter of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing to consider the Proposed FY2021 Budget commencing on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 5 p.m. by remote participation and continuing on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. by remote participation. Instructions for accessing the meetins will be posted on the agendas. The City Council will hear all persons who wish to be heard thereon. The budget is available for inspection by the public on the City of Northampton website at [www.northamptonma.gov](http://www.northamptonma.gov).

#### B. Announcement of Public Hearing - 20.048 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Park Hill Road (Petition #25763215 - two separate petitions, same #)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 4, 2020 @ 7:15 p.m. 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 #25763215 - Park Hill Road - two petitions). The hearing will be held via remote participation. Please see the agenda for the June 4, 2020 City Council meeting for instructions for accessing the hearing.

Documents:

[20.048A National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Park Hill Road.pdf](#)  
[20.048B National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Park Hill Road.pdf](#)  
[20.048 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)

#### C. Public Hearing on 20.047 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Fox Farms Road (Petition #29597581)

In accordance with the provisions of Section 22, Chapter 166 of the General Laws, a public hearing will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2020 @ 7:05 p.m. 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 #29597581 - Fox Farms Road.

Documents:

[20.047 DPW Recommendation.pdf](#)  
[20.047 National Grid-Verizon Pole Petition for Fox Farms Road.pdf](#)

### 5. Updates from Council President and Committee Chairs

**6. Recognitions and One-Minute Announcements by Councilors**

**7. Communications and Proclamations from the Mayor**

**A. FY2021 Budget Message**

Presentation by Mayor David J. Narkewicz

**8. Resolutions**

**9. Presentations**

**10. Consent Agenda**

**A. Minutes of May 7, 2020**

Documents:

[05-07-2020\\_City Council Minutes.pdf](#)

**B. Approve Pole Petition - 20.047 National Grid/Verizon New England Pole Petition for Fox Farms Road (Petition #29597581)**

See Documents under Public Hearing above.

**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. 20.052 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of Easements for Drainage Improvements on Rocky Hill Road (Route 66) - 1st reading**

**Process note:** Two readings are respectfully requested to accommodate a deadline for FEMA funding. Signatures of the City Council are needed on an Order of Taking to be recorded at the registry.

Documents:

[20.052 An Order Authorizing Acquisition of Easements for Drainage Improvements on Rocky Hill Road-Route 66.pdf](#)

[20.052 Ice Pond HMGP Application.pdf](#)

[20.052 Rocky Hill Road Order of Taking.pdf](#)

### 13. Financial Orders (on 2nd reading)

#### A. 20.049 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers - 2nd reading

**History:**

- Positive recommendation, Finance Committee - 5/7/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 5/7/2020

Documents:

[20.049 An Order for FY2020 Budget Transfers.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.

### 16. Ordinances

#### A. 20.037 An Ordinance Relative to Essential Services and Municipal Facilities - 2nd reading

**History:**

- Referred to Planning Board (PB) and Legislative Matters (LM) - 4/2/2020
- Joint PB/LM Public Hearing Held - 4/23/2020
- Adoption recommended, Planning Board - 4/23/2020
- Amended to add words "and are the only dimensional lot requirements necessary to be met," LM - 4/23/2020
- Positive recommendation, LM - 4/23/2020
- Passed 1st reading - 5/7/2020

Documents:

[20.037 An Ordinance Relative to Essential Services and Municipal Facilities.pdf](#)

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

### 18. New Business

### 19. Adjourn

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