



**City Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 7:00 PM**  
**Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber**

**Agenda**

**ACCESS INFORMATION:**

- A. This meeting will be held on May 12, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. Location: Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber - 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA 02472
- B. This is an in-person meeting - any remote access is provided solely as a courtesy and may not be relied upon as alternative access. Therefore, any interruption in remote access technology shall not interrupt the meeting, and the meeting will proceed accordingly in person. In the event of such interruption, in-person attendance is available and encouraged.
- C. The in-person meeting will also be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television): <http://vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/watch-now?site=3>
- D. The public may join the in-person meeting online: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/92991331344>
- E. The public may join the in-person meeting audio only by phone: (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (Toll Free) and enter Webinar ID: 929 9133 1344
- F. Public may comment through email: [wscd@watertown-ma.gov](mailto:wscd@watertown-ma.gov)
- G. Please Visit the City Council Website here: <https://www.watertown-ma.gov/350/City-Council>

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- 1. ROLL CALL
  - 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  - 3. PUBLIC FORUM
  - 4. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
    - A. Minutes from City Council Meeting April 28, 2026
  - 5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
    - A. Endorsement of Policy Statement from Previous City Council Meeting
  - 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS
    - A. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances Regarding Non-Union Personnel Compensation and Leave
    - B. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Loan Order that the sum of \$2,300,000 is appropriated to pay costs of reconstructing Forest Street and Springfield Street, as more fully described in Line 289 of the City's Fiscal Year 2026 through 2031 Capital Improvement Plan, and the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is

authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

- C. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Loan Order that the sum of \$2,100,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing and overseeing the connector roads and longer streets project at Forest Street and Springfield Street, as more fully described in Line 318 of the City's Fiscal Year 2024 through 2028 Capital Improvement Plan, and the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto; and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

7. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Consideration and Action on the Expenditure of \$100,000 in Community Preservation Act Funds for One Off-Cycle Project - Old Burying Ground and Common Street Cemetery Landscape Architecture Services
- B. Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$75,000 from the Fiscal Year 2026 City Council Reserve to the Fiscal Year 2026 Litigation account
- C. Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$824,277 from the 2026 City Council Reserve to various Fiscal Year 2026 Snow and Ice accounts
- D. Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$14,768,576 from the Fiscal Year 2026 Watertown High School Stabilization Transfer Out to Other Funds account to the Fiscal Year 2026 Watertown High School Transfer In from Other Funds account

8. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- A. Committee on Rules and Ordinances Report regarding its meeting on March 12, 2026 - Gardner, Chair
- B. Committee on Rules and Ordinances Report regarding its meeting on April 21, 2026 - Gardner, Chair
- C. Committee on Rules and Ordinances Report regarding its meeting on May 5, 2026 - Gardner, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To recommend the City Council refer the matter of vibration to the Committee on Rules and Ordinances for further study, including the legal considerations, and report back with a recommendation

9. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- A. Request for Confirmation of Appointment to the Historical Commission
- B. Request for Confirmation of Appointments to the Watertown Cable Access Corporation - Board of Directors
- C. Request for Confirmation of Reappointment to the Cultural Council
- D. Request for Referral - Watertown Housing Plan 2026 - 2030
- E. Request for Referral - Affordable Housing Incentive Studies
- F. Request for Extension of Contract Negotiation Period

10. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION/REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS
11. ANNOUNCEMENTS
12. PUBLIC FORUM
13. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Mark S. Sideris,  
Council President

John G. Gannon,  
Councilor At Large  
Nicole Gardner,  
District A Councilor

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,  
Vice President &  
District C Councilor  
Theophilus Offei,  
Councilor At Large  
Lisa J. Feltner,  
District B Councilor

Caroline Bays,  
Councilor At Large

Anthony Palomba,  
Councilor At Large  
Emily Izzo,  
District D Councilor