



City Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 6:15 PM
Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber
149 Main Street
Watertown, MA

Agenda

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. This meeting will be held on March 12, 2024 at 6:15 P.M. Location: Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber
 - B. The meeting will be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television): <http://vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/watch-now?site=3>
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1. ROLL CALL
2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:15 P.M.
 - A. Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to Discuss Strategy with Respect to Collective Bargaining or Litigation if an Open Meeting May Have a Detrimental Effect on the Bargaining or Litigating Position of the Public Body and the Chair so Declares – Collective Bargaining - DPW Union, Watertown Municipal Employee Association, Library Union, Fire Union, Police Patrol Union, Police Supervisors Union
3. RETURN TO SESSION – 7:00 P.M.
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
5. PUBLIC FORUM
6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS AND MATTERS
 - A. Proclamation of March as Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month
7. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - A. Minutes from City Council Meeting February 27, 2024

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Referral to Committee

Update Noise Ordinance

Discussion on Status of Opioid Litigation Settlements

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. First Reading on a Proposed Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget

B. First Reading on a Proposed Ordinance regarding Planning Board Alternates

10. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$39,000 from the City Manager Full Time Salaries Account to the City Manager Contracted Services Account

B. Request to Repurpose Funds in the Amount of \$50,000 from Tax Revenue to Victory Field and Casey Park Projects

C. Consideration and Approval of Exemptions of Interests of Existing City Employees in Contracts with the City Including Summer, Winter, Holiday, and After-School Program Employment Positions in Response to Disclosures Filed with the City Clerk by Prospective Employees and Certification by the Recreation Director that No Employee of that Department is Available to Perform those Services as part of their Regular Duties in Accordance with G.L. c. 268A, sec 20(b)

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Committee on Rules and Ordinances Report Regarding its meeting on February 20, 2024 - Gannon, Chair

B. Committee on Personnel and City Organization Report regarding its meeting on February 26, 2024 - Bays, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To recommend that City Council approve the four recommendations described above, specifically:

1. Duties of the Blue Ribbon Committee
2. Desirable skills, background and/or characteristics of Committee members
3. Size of the Committee
4. Process to recruit and select members

C. Committee of the Budget and Fiscal Oversight Report regarding its meetings on February 1, February 22, and March 4, 2024 - Piccirilli, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To ask the City Council to adopt the above 54 conceptual recommendations.

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To ask the City Council to recommend that the City Manager maintain the FY2025 capital spending so that it does not exceed 8% of the submitted FY2025 operating budget, in order to meet the City Council's Budget Policy Guideline that the City should seek to make capital expenditures (including debt and exclusive of the school Building for the Future Initiative funding and enterprise funds) equal to at least 7.5-

8% of the operating budget.

12. NEW BUSINESS
13. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER
 - A. Request for Confirmation of Reappointment to the Planning Board
 - B. Request for Confirmation of Reappointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals
 - C. Request for Confirmation of Appointments to the Human Rights Commission
 - D. City Hall / Parker Annex / Senior Center Hours
14. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION/REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS
15. ANNOUNCEMENTS
16. PUBLIC FORUM
17. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mark S. Sideris,
Council President

Caroline Bays,
Councilor At Large
Nicole Gardner,
District A Councilor

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,
Vice President &
District C Councilor

John G. Gannon,
Councilor At Large
Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

John M. Airasian,
Councilor At Large

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