



Chelsea City Council

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CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL

MEETING AGENDA

October 18, 2021

7 P.M.

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City Council Packet is available for view at the Chelsea City Council Office during business hours.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. CALLING THE ROLL OF MEMBERS
3. MEMORIALS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTION
 - a. **ID#: 22R10** Resolution introduced by Councilor Recuperio regarding Italian Heritage Month
 - b. **ID#: 22R11** Resolution introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding Arbor Day
 - c. **ID#: 22R12** Resolution introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding Honoring Marianne Ramos for Service in Elder Affairs
4. PUBLIC HEARING
 - a. The Chelsea City Council is holding a Public Hearing regarding a Home Rule Petition introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding proposed Charter amendments recommended by the Charter Review Committee (a copy of the Home Rule Petition can be found at the Chelsea City Council Office, 500 Broadway #306 Chelsea, MA 02150 or email fmelara@chelseama.gov)
5. PUBLIC SPEAKING
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. **ID#: 22M3** Regular meeting minutes of October 4, 2021.
7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER
 - a. **ID#: 22CM26** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Streetlights

- b. **ID#: 22CM27** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Flooding Issues
 - c. **ID#: 22CM28** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Parking Lots located at 15 Williams and 2-4 Pembroke
 - d. **ID#: 22CM29** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Fines for Fireworks
 - e. **ID#: 22CM30** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding FY22 PARC Grant – Quigley Park
 - f. **ID#: 22CM31** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Information on Workforce Development Expenditures
 - g. **ID#: 22CM32** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Fiscal Year 2022 Tax Rates
8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL
- a. **ID#: 22C10** Communication received from C. Gabriel Santiago Esq. regarding internal police matters
 - b. **ID#: 22C11** Communication received from Parking Clerk Jeannette Cintron White regarding the approval of actions at the October 5, 2021 Traffic and Parking Commission
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
10. SECOND READING
- a. **ID#: 22CM20** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Re-Appointment to Chelsea Tree Board
 - b. **ID#: 22CM24** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Appointment to Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board
 - c. **ID#: 22CM19** Communication received from City Manager Tom Ambrosino regarding Vote on the Construction of New Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational High School
 - d. **ID#: 22F7** Order introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding that the Chelsea City DISAPPROVES the \$317,422,620 borrowing and debt authorized on September 9, 2021 by the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District Committee for the purpose of paying costs of designing, engineering, constructing and equipping the New Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School and related athletic facilities

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and expressly does NOT authorize the payment of any share of the District's debt for this purpose

- a. **ID#: 22C9** Communication received from Peter A. Rossetti, Secretary of Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School District regarding appropriation of \$317,422,620 for the purpose of paying costs of designing, engineering, constructing and equipping the New Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School
- b. **ID#:22HR2** Home Rule Petition introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding proposed Charter amendments recommended by the Charter Review Committee (a copy of the Home Rule Petition can be found at the Chelsea City Council Office, 500 Broadway #306 Chelsea, MA 02150 or email finelara@chelseama.gov)
1. Amendment introduced by Councilor Robinson regarding inserting in Part 2– Legislative, Section 2-1 Composition; Eligibility; Election and Term, *“There shall be a city council composed of 9 members which shall exercise the legislative powers of the city. Four members, to be known as councilors-at-large, shall be nominated and elected by and from the voters at large. Five members, to be known as ward councilors, shall be nominated and elected by and from the voters of each district, one such district councilor to be elected from each of the five wards into which the city is divided in accordance with section 7-4.”*
 2. Amendment introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding inserting in Part 2– Legislative, Section 2-1 Composition; Eligibility; and Election and Term, *“Any write in candidate must receive at least 25 votes to be elected.”*
 3. Amendment introduced by Councilor Zabot regarding inserting in Part 2– Legislative, Section 2-3 General Powers and Duties, *“Council Members shall forfeit their office by failing to attend three consecutive regular meetings of the Council without being excused by the Council. Members of the Council may ask to be excused by following the procedure described in this paragraph.*

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The member shall contact the City Council President prior to the meeting and state the reason for their inability to attend the meeting. If the member is unable to contact the City Council President, the member shall contact the City Council Vice President. Following the call to order, the President or Vice President shall inform the Council of the member's absence, state the reason for such absence, and inquire if there is a motion to excuse the member. This motion shall be non-debatable. Upon passage of such motion by a majority of members present, the absent member shall be considered excused and the City Clerk will make an appropriate notation in the minutes."

4. Amendment introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding inserting in Part 3– School Committee, Section 3-1 Composition; Eligibility; and Election and Term; Powers and Duties, *“Any write in candidate must receive at least 25 votes to be elected.”*
5. Amendment introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding inserting in Part 7– City Elections; Preliminary and General, Section 7-1 *“The City shall make available to registered voters the ability to vote early in person weekdays during the preceding week and second Saturday preceding the regular city election held in November”*
6. Amendment introduced by Councilor Recuperero regarding replacing the paragraph in Part 6– Administrative Organization, Section 6-3 (b), *“All rules and regulations promulgated by authorized vote of the Traffic and Parking Commission, except for temporary or emergency rules and regulations promulgated for no more than 90 days, shall only become effective if and when the city council affirmatively approves such rule and/or regulation by a majority vote of the full city council. Traffic Commission may vote to approve a temporary or emergency rule or regulation to take effect immediately provided that such temporary or emergency rule or regulation shall expire after 90*

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days, unless the city council has voted in the interim to reject the rule, in which case it shall expire immediately upon such vote”

11. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ID#: 22R13** Resolution introduced by Councilor Recupero regarding Quigley PARC Grant
- b. **ID#: 2220** Request introduced by Councilor Recupero regarding that the City Manager instruct the electrical company to fix all streetlights within the city and install automatic sensor
- c. **ID#: 2223** Order introduced by Councilor Recupero regarding that a Subcommittee on Public Safety be held to discuss the public safety of the city
- d. **ID#: 2224** Order introduced by Councilor Recupero regarding that the City Manager look into putting necessary funds in the budget for the City Council to hire a part time legal counsel
- e. **ID#: 2225** Request introduced by Councilor Robinson regarding that the City Manager consider increasing the hours of part-time ISD Building Inspectors to full time positions, and consider doing so in the FY22 by utilizing Free Cash once it is certified
- f. **ID#: 2226** Request introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding that the Traffic and Parking Commission place on their agenda the designation of 3 parking spaces on Washington Ave between Addison St and Orange St for 2-hour parking only including residents from the hours of 9am – 5pm Monday through Saturday
- g. **ID#: 2227** Order introduced by Councilor Avellaneda regarding that a Subcommittee on Conference be held to discuss the ARPA civic engagement process
- h. **ID#: 2228** Request introduced by Councilor Taylor regarding that the City Manager investigate, due to numerous concerns and complaints from residents, possible solutions both at the local and state level, to our coyote control problem within the city

12. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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