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## CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL

### MEETING AGENDA

Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023

7:00 P.M

**1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. CALLING THE ROLL OF MEMBERS**

**3. MEMORIUMS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTIONS**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

**5. PUBLIC SPEAKING**

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. ID#: 24M08 - Minutes of November 6, 2023 – Regular Meeting

**7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- a. ID#: 24CM27 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe requesting the City Council accept a \$50.00 donation from Lynne Ellis to the Chelsea Public Library.
- b. ID#: 24CM28 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe recommending the re-appointment of Ms. Alexandria Christmas and Ms. Monica Elias – both of Chelsea, MA to the Chelsea Public Library Board of Trustees.
- c. ID#: 24CM29 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe regarding the Fiscal Year 2024 Tax Rates.
- d. ID#: 24CM30 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe regarding a grant from Mystic Valley Elder Services.
- e. ID#: 24CM31 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe requesting approval for Departments to pay prior-year expenses.
- f. ID#: 24CM32 – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe requesting Council approval to fund the contract with the United Steelworkers Local 9427.

## 8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- a. **ID#: 24C12** – Communication received from Wakefield resident Gabriela Padilla regarding immigration policy.
- b. **ID#: 24C13** – Communication received from the Assistant Parking Clerk regarding the November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission.

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 11. SECOND READINGS

- a. **ID#: 24CM20** – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe recommending the appointment of Ms. Farah McCormack of Chelsea, MA to the Community Recreation Advisory Board.
- b. **ID#: 24CM23** – Communication received from City Manager Ned Keefe regarding appointments to Boards and Commissions.
- c. **ID#: 24F08** - Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64 budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY21 and FY23 were not paid and are owed to the vendors, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY24 budgets respectively as noted, that the City Council authorize expenditures to satisfy the unpaid balances from prior years.
- d. **ID#: 24F09** - Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that the Chelsea City Council endorses the project at 212 Congress Avenue for a PARC Grant; appropriates \$850,000 from the General Stabilization Fund; designates 212 Congress Avenue as open space parkland in perpetuity; authorizes the City Manager to utilize any surplus funds for current or future PARC funded improvements for open space within the City of Chelsea; certifies the City Manager's authority to enter into an agreement for the receipt of these funds; and directs the City Manager to take any and all necessary action to accomplish this project.
- e. **ID#: 2438** - Order introduced by Council President Robinson, approving the Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Everett governing the Island End Flood Resilience Project.
- f. **ID#: 24F10** - Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$225,000 from the Voke Park Renovations Project to the 88 Clinton Street Park Project, for the purpose of constructing a park on the recently acquired property, and authorizes the City Manager to utilize the remaining surplus funds of \$175,000 for open space projects within the City of Chelsea.

## 12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ID#: 24F11** - Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §53A, the Chelsea City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to accept a donation to the Chelsea Public Library in the amount of \$50.00 from Lynne Ellis.

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- b. **ID#: 2440** - Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board look into dedicating all affordable housing opportunities to Chelsea residents only.
- c. **ID#: 2441** - Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager direct the Department of Public Works Commissioner to remove the rubber mat obstructing the handicap ramp near the bus stop on Broadway at Everett Avenue.
- d. **ID#: 2442** - Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager direct the Department of Public Works Commissioner to ensure all speed bumps in Chelsea are visibly marked and painted to prevent accidents.
- e. **ID#: 24F12** – Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §53A, the Chelsea City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to accept the \$15,000 grant from Mystic Valley Elder Services, Inc.
- f. **ID#: 24F13** – Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that in accordance with M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64 budget management procedures, whereby costs incurred in FY21, FY22, and FY23 were not paid and are owed to the vendors, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY24 budgets respectively as noted, that the City Council authorize expenditures to satisfy the unpaid balance from prior years.
- g. **ID#: 24F14** – Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that pursuant to Section 4-3(I) of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the Chelsea City Council approves the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with USWA Local 9427, memorialized in the Memorandum of Agreement for Fiscal Years 2024-2026 ratified on November 1, 2023.
- h. **ID#: 24F15** – Order introduced by Council President Robinson, that to fund the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with the USWA Local 9427 for Fiscal year 2024, the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$175,858.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the FY2024 Regular Salaries Account 510200 to fund the FY2024 Contract Wage Increases.

### 13. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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