



CITY OF CHELSEA, MA
City Council

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CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
Monday, March 4th, 2024
7:00 P.M

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
CITY OF CHELSEA, MA

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALLING THE ROLL OF MEMBERS

3. MEMORIUMS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTIONS

- a. ID#: 24R13 – Retirement of Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard Albanese
- b. ID#: 24R14 – Women's History Month

4. PUBLIC HEARING

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. ID#: 24M18 - Minutes of February 12, 2024 – Regular Meeting

7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- a. ID#: 24CM64 - Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, regarding the appointment of John Quatieri as the next Fire Chief of the City of Chelsea.
- b. ID#: 24CM65 – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of appointments to Boards and Commissions.
- c. ID#: 24CM66 – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of the City Manager's designee to the Retirement Board.
- d. ID#: 24CM67 – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, regarding the establishment of the Women's Commission.
- e. ID#: 24CM68 – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, regarding the launch of Chelsea's Fair Housing Plan.

- f. **ID#: 24CM69** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, responding to Council Order #2478 informing residents about street closures/diversions due to construction and infrastructure work.

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- a. **ID#: 24C23** – Communication received from City Council President De Jesus, announcing the appointment of a Special Committee on Youth Sports in Chelsea.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **ID#: 24CR06** – Committee Report received from Council President De Jesus regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on February 12th, 2024.
- b. **ID#: 24CR07** – Committee Report received from Councilor Sanatage regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Public Safety held on February 12th, 2024.
- c. **ID#: 24CR08** – Committee Report received from Councilor Recupero regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Elder Affairs, Veteran's Services and Community Advancement held on February 12th, 2024.
- d. **ID#: 24CR09** – Committee Report received from Council President De Jesus regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on February 20th, 2024.
- e. **ID#: 24CR10** – Committee Report received from Councilor Brown regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Rules and Administration held on February 26th, 2024.
- f. **ID#: 24CR11** – Committee Report received from Councilor Taylor regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Ways and Means held on February 27th, 2024.
- g. **ID#: 24CR12** – Committee Report received from Council President De Jesus regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on February 27th, 2024.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. SECOND READINGS

- a. **ID#: 24CM62** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of appointments and reappointments to Boards and Commissions.
- b. **ID#: 24F34** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, approving the revocation of the vote to establish a Special Purpose Stabilization Fund for Opioid Settlements in the amount of \$231,524.36 and approves the transfer of said funds to a Special Revenue Fund for opioid settlement funds.
- c. **ID#: 24F35** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$160,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Road Improvements Account #0142258-583100.

- d. **ID#: 24F36** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$31,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Parking Department – Automobiles Account #0129358-585200.
- e. **ID#: 24F37** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$40,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Contract Services Account #0142252-530600.
- f. **ID#: 24F38** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$332,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Other Capital Account #0142258-587000 for construction activity to restore the Quiet Zone in Chelsea.
- g. **ID#: 24F39** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$400,000.00 from Free Cash to the CIP Fiscal Year 2022 Central & Willow Water/Sewer/Roadway – Construction Account #55402229-584500 for utility work related to the Central Avenue Project surrounding the Times Development.
- h. **ID#: 24F40** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$10,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Street Lights Account #0142252-521300.
- i. **ID#: 24F41** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$8,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Traffic Signals Account #0142252-521400.
- j. **ID#: 24F42** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$22,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Structures and Grounds – Lighting Account #0147052-521200.
- k. **ID#: 24F43** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$40,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Vehicle Maintenance Account #0142252-524400.
- l. **ID#: 24F44** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$40,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Solid Waste – Trash-Pickup/Disposal Account #0143052-524600 for debris disposal.
- m. **ID#: 24F45** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$170,000.00 from Water Retained Earnings to the Fiscal Year 2024 Water Enterprise – Other Capital Account #601058-587100 for the Admiral's Hill Water Pump Station fire suppression system.
- n. **ID#: 24F46** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$86,500.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Legislative Department – Regular Salary Account #0111052-510200.
- o. **ID#: 24F47** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$35,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Structures and Grounds – Overtime Account #0147051-510400.

- p. **ID#: 24F48** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$100,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Streets and Sidewalks – Overtime Account #0142251-510400.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ID#: 24F49** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the various capital projects and equipment purchases shown under the heading of Grant Funding on the Schedule attached hereto (the “Schedule”), and consisting of Miscellaneous Grants (\$16,181,417) and Chapter 90 (\$620,000), for a total of \$16,801,417, shall be undertaken and financed by grants or other funds as shown on the Schedule, such grants to be expended under the direction of the City Manager and that the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to apply for, accept and expend any state or federal grants that are or may become available for these purposes.
- b. **ID#: 2480** - Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference be held with the City Manager and Department of Public Works Commissioner to provide an update to the City Council on planned construction-related street closures and the process by which the City informs residents about closures and detours.
- c. **ID#: 2481** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that the City Manager provide to the City Council a report of the number of abatements provided by the City, with the report listing the amount the City had to rebate for each category as opposed to the name of the specific landlord.
- d. **ID#: 2482** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that the City Council President contact the City’s representative on the Northeast Metro Regional Vocational School Committee and provide an update to the Council on the Committee’s last meeting.
- e. **ID#: 2483** – Order introduced by Councilor Teshe, that a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Parks and Public Works be held with the Department of Public Works Commissioner to discuss current and planned infrastructure projects in Chelsea.
- f. **ID#: 2484** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager instruct relevant Departments to look into the design, purchase and installation of “Welcome to Chelsea” signs to be installed at the Chelsea Street and Meridian Street Bridge.
- g. **ID#: 2485** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager provide an update to the City Council on traffic configuration plans for the intersection of Congress Avenue, Park Street and Pearl Street.
- h. **ID#: 24R15** – Resolution introduced by Councilors Kelly Garcia and Tanairi Garcia calling for a ceasefire in the Israel – Gaza War.

13. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS