



CITY OF CHELSEA, MA  
City Council

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**CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL**  
**MEETING AGENDA**  
**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**  
**7:00 P.M**

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- 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. CALLING THE ROLL OF MEMBERS**
- 3. MEMORIUMS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTIONS**
  - a. **ID#: 24R09** – Brenda Pena
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING**
- 5. PUBLIC SPEAKING**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. **ID#: 24M14** - Minutes of January 2, 2024 – Special Meeting
  - b. **ID#: 24M15** - Minutes of January 8, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- 7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**
  - a. **ID#: 24CM49** - Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, regarding approval of the Chelsea Creek Municipal Harbor Plan.
  - b. **ID#: 24CM50** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center Grant.
  - c. **ID#: 24CM51** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of appointment to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board
  - d. **ID#: 24CM52** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, regarding the retirement of Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard Albanese.
- 8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL**

- a. **ID#: 24C18** – Communication received from the Assistant Parking Clerk, requesting approval of Agenda items from the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission.

## 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **ID#: 24CR03** – Committee Report received from Council President De Jesus, chair of the Sub-Committee on Conference, regarding the meeting dated January 11, 2024.

## 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 11. SECOND READINGS

- a. **ID#: 24F24** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$89,828.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #01999959-598000 to the FY2024 Salaries Account 510200 to fund the FY24 Exempt Employee Cost of Living Adjustment, such payments to be allocated by the Department in the following manner.
- b. **ID#: 24F25** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the pursuant to Section 4-3(L) of the Chelsea City Charter, the Chelsea City Council approves the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with AFSCME Local 708, memorialized in the Memorandum of Agreement for Fiscal Years 2024-2026 ratified on December 15, 2023.
- c. **ID#: 24F26** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, formally accepting The Nature Conservancy's dedication of \$215,000 to the City of Chelsea and authorizes the City Manager to direct the funding to the Mill Creek Restoration Program including, but not limited to, the new park at 88 Clinton Street.
- d. **ID#: 24F27** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$149,837.00 representing the unexpended portion of the \$756,000.00 appropriated under the Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Plan for Early Learning Center Roof Replacement –School Stabilization - Account 55401708-583000, and which remains available after the completion of the project for which the fund was authorized and which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$149,837.00 for building improvements to the Fiscal Year 2024 CHS Cafeteria Renovation Project, Account 55402408-583000 series.
- e. **ID#: 24F28** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$345,860.00 representing the unexpended portion of the \$ 725,000.00 appropriated under the Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Improvement Plan for building improvements – Williams Middle School Rooftop HVAC Units - Account 554402104-583000, and which remains available after the completion of the project for which the fund was authorized and which is no longer needed to complete that project, is hereby transferred in the amount of \$345,860.00 for building improvements to the Fiscal Year 2024 CHS Cafeteria Renovation Project, Account 55402408-583000 series.
- f. **ID#: 24F29** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$175,000 appropriated under the Fiscal Year

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2018 Capital Improvement Plan for design improvements – Elementary School Expansion Project Account 55401803-530000 but which has not been undertaken is hereby abandoned/discontinued and funds transferred in the amount of \$175,000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 CHS Cafeteria Renovation Project, Account 55402408-583000 series.

- g. **ID#: 24F30** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, the sum of \$1,500,000 appropriated under the Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Improvement Plan for design improvements – Early Learning Center HVAC Project 55402206-583000 but which has not been undertaken is hereby abandoned/discontinued and funds transferred in the amount of \$1,500,000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 CHS Cafeteria Renovation Project, Account 55402408-583000 series.
- h. **ID#: 24F31** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorize the appropriation of \$495,000.00 from School Stabilization Account to the Fiscal Year 2024 CHS Cafeteria Renovation Project, Account 55402408-583000 series.
- i. **ID#: 24CM39** – Communication received from then-City Manager Ned Keefe, requesting approval of appointments to Boards and Commissions.
- j. **ID#: 24CM43** - Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of appointment to the Community Preservation Committee.

## 12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ID#: 24F32** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §53A, the Chelsea City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to accept the \$150,000 grant from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center.
- b. **ID#: 2466** - Order introduced by Councilor Recuperero, that the City Manager provide an update to the City Council as to the status of ARPA funds received by the City of Chelsea – including how much the City received, how much has already been allocated and how much remains.
- c. **ID#: 2467** – Order introduced by Councilor Recuperero, that the City Manager provide an update to the City Council on the status of streetlights in Chelsea – specifically, if all have been converted to LEDS and if all have been raised to the highest brightness level.
- d. **ID#: 2468** – Order introduced by Councilor Recuperero, that the City Manager instruct the Department of Public Works Commissioner to ensure the public bag dispensers used by residents to remove dog waste are filled on a regular basis.
- e. **ID#: 2469** - Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Elder Services, Veterans’ Affairs and Community Advancement be held to discuss the City’s planned programs for Memorial Day and Veteran’s Day.
- f. **ID#: 2470** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that a Sub-Committee on Conference be held with the City Manager to provide an update to the City Council to the administration’s plan for the first 100 days.

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- g. **ID#: 2471** – Order introduced by Councilor T. Garcia, that a Sub-Committee on Inspectional Services be held with the Director of Inspectional Services to discuss enforcement concerns in the City of Chelsea.
- h. **ID#: 2472** – Order introduced by Councilor Brown, that the City Manager provide an update on the sound study requested by the City Council related to noise from airplanes passing over Chelsea from Boston’s Logan International Airport.

13.PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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