



Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 6:30 PM
RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER,
149 Main Street, Watertown, MA 02472

Agenda

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. The meeting will be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television):
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 - B. The Public may join the virtual meeting online: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/92991331344>
 - C. Public may join the virtual meeting audio only by phone: (877) 853-5257 or (888) 475-4499 (Toll Free) and enter Webinar ID: 929 9133 1344
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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- A. In accordance with the Watertown City Charter and Council Rules, the Honorable City Council of the City of Watertown will meet, as the Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of holding public hearings on the City Manager's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

The Public Hearings on the City Manager's proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2026 will be held as follows:

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 – 6:30PM

Constituent Services

Procurement

Health and Human Services Departments

Public Buildings

Public Safety Departments

School Department

Non-Department Appropriations (Debt, Capital Projects, Etc.)

Tuesday, May 27, 2025 – 7:45PM

City Council

City Manager

City Attorney

City Auditor

City Assessor

Treasurer / Collector

Parking Lots & Meters

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 – 6:00PM
Library
Department of Public Works
Water & Sewer Enterprise Budgets
Community Development & Planning
Recreation Department
Human Resources
Information Technology
City Clerk / Elections

Department Heads will be available for questions at the above scheduled hearings.

Under this schedule, it's anticipated that the City Council will take formal action on the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget at its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

The Fiscal Year 2026 General Budget, as proposed, totals \$223,660,433. Additionally, the Fiscal Year 2026 Water and Sewer Enterprise Budgets, as proposed, total \$23,257,045.

The annual City Budget is the single most important policy decision made each year by the City Council. All citizens of the City are invited and encouraged to participate in these meetings to express the opinions of this budget and the priorities it establishes. A copy of the purpose budget is available for examinations at the City Clerk's Office and available on the City's website: www.watertown-ma.gov

3. 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

Order Confirmation

Marilyn Pronvost
 Watertown City Council
 149 Main Street
 Watertown, MA 02472

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LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Watertown City Charter and Council Rules, The City Council of the City of Watertown hereby gives notice that it will meet, as the Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of holding public hearings on the City Manager's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026. Each hearing will be held online and in-person (hybrid) in the Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber and online at the following link: <https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/92991331344> which may be found on the City of Watertown's website, on the following days:

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Interested parties are encouraged to participate in this HYBRID Public Hearing. A copy of the proposed budget is available for inspection at the Administration Building, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA 02472 in the City Clerk's Office Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. through 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday evening up to 7:00 p.m., and Friday 8:30 a.m. through 12:30 p.m., and on the City's website page: www.watertown-ma.gov.