



City Council Meeting
Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:15 PM
Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber - Second Floor

Agenda

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. This meeting will be held on April 14, 2026 at 6:15 P.M. Location: Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber - Second Floor
- B. This is an in-person meeting - any remote access is provided solely as a courtesy and may not be relied upon as alternative access. Therefore, any interruption in remote access technology shall not interrupt the meeting, and the meeting will proceed accordingly in person. In the event of such interruption, in-person attendance is available and encouraged.
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- 1. ROLL CALL
 - 2. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:15 P.M.
 - A. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel (City Manager Contract)
 - 3. RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION 7:00 P.M.
 - 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - 5. PUBLIC FORUM
 - 6. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - A. Minutes from Committee of the Whole Meeting March 24, 2026
 - B. Minutes from City Council Meeting March 24, 2026
 - 7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - 8. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS AND MATTERS

- A. Proclamation Commending Ethan Ho
 - B. Arbor Day Proclamation
9. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- A. Public Hearing and Vote on a Petition from NStar Electric DBA Eversource for a Grant of Location in Templeton Parkway westerly from pole 228/15, approximately 80 feet south of Belmont Street, to install approximately 8 feet of conduit. This work is necessary to provide electrical service for 198-200 Belmont Street. The recommendations and conditions set out by the Department of Public Works shall be required upon approval of this application.
 - B. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Pet Shop Ordinance
 - C. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Loan Order that the sum of \$1,000,000 is appropriated to pay costs of installation of storm water management improvements, electrical and telecommunication improvements, and catenary pole removal along the corridor in connection with the Mount Auburn Street Transportation Improvement Project for the Department of Public Works, as more fully described in the City's Fiscal Year 2026 through 2030 Capital Improvement Plan, including all other costs incidental and related thereto; and that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c.44, §7(1), or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

10. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. First Reading of a Proposed Ordinance Repealing Sections of the Code of Ordinances

11. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- A. Committee on Economic Development and Planning Report regarding its meeting on March 24, 2026 - Gannon, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To recommend the City Council confirm Jan Taylor for appointment to the Public Arts and Culture Committee to a term expiring November 15, 2028

- B. Committee on Public Works Report regarding its meeting on April 7, 2026 - Piccirilli, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To recommend that the City Council approve the appointment of Dimitri Petrosian to the Memorialization Committee for a term ending on September 15, 2027

ACTION ITEM:

To recommend that the City Council approve the appointment of Ani Aroyian to the Memorialization Committee for a term ending on September 15, 2026

- C. Committee on Rules and Ordinances Report regarding its meeting on March 26, 2026 - Gardner, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To confirm the reappointment of John Labadini as a member of the Licensing Board to a term expiring February 15, 2029

ACTION ITEM:

That the sustainability staff appear at a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Ordinances to discuss training procedures and materials prior to the training of restaurant workers and patrons

ACTION ITEM:

To refer back to the City Council for adoption of the Skip the Stuff Ordinance as initially recommended to the City Council

- D. Committee on Human Services Report regarding its meeting on April 8, 2026 - Palomba, Chair

ACTION ITEM:

To reappoint Susan Musinsky to the Human Rights Commission with a term expiring April 1, 2029

ACTION ITEM:

To reappoint Lisa LaPlante to the Human Rights Commission with a term expiring April 1, 2029

ACTION ITEM:

To reappoint Mel Poindexter to the Human Rights Commission with a term expiring April 1, 2029

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- A. Request for Confirmation of Appointment to the Conservation Commission
- B. Request for Confirmation of Appointment to the Board of Election Commissioners
- C. Submission of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

13. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION/REVIEW OF LIST OF PENDING MATTERS

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Legislative Update - Senator Brownsberger

15. PUBLIC FORUM

16. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mark S. Sideris,
Council President

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,
Vice President &
District C Councilor

Caroline Bays,
Councilor At Large

John G. Gannon,
Councilor At Large
Nicole Gardner,
District A Councilor

Theophilus Offei,
Councilor At Large
Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

Anthony Palomba,
Councilor At Large
Emily Izzo,
District D Councilor