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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. The meeting will be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television): <http://vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/?channel=3>
- 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 #
- D. Public may comment through email: vpiccirilli@watertown-ma.gov

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- 1. ROLL CALL
 - 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - 3. PUBLIC FORUM
 - 4. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION
 - A. Consideration and vote on Moxley Park Court Renovation Project Design Option
 - 5. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - A. City Council Meeting Minutes - February 23, 2022
 - 6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - 7. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION
 - A. Day Of Solidarity For Ukraine
 - 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - A. Public Hearing and Vote on a Petition from NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY for a Grant of Location for the Installation in Coolidge Hill Road Southerly from Pole 2/3, Approximately 248± Feet West of Kondazian Street a Distance of About 10± Feet of Conduit. This Work is Necessary to Provide OH/UG Electric Service to 19 Coolidge Hill Road. Upon Completion of the Department of Public Works Review, Said Work is Subject to the Recommendations and Conditions Set Forth Should the Grant of Location Be Approved for the Application

- B. Public Hearing and Vote on a Petition from NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a EVERSOURCE ENERGY for a Grant of Location for the Arsenal Street installation in and maintenance of approximately 150 linear feet of 4-5" PVC Pipes Type EB in concrete. This work is necessary to provide underground service to 85 Walnut Street. Upon Completion of the Department of Public Works' Review, Said Work Is Subject to the Recommendations and Conditions Set Forth Should the Grant of Location be approved for this application

9. MOTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDER, AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. First Reading on a Proposed Ordinance to Modify Hours of Operation of the Administration Building and Senior Center

- B. High School

First Reading on a Proposed Loan Order Authorizing the City Treasurer, with the Approval of the City Manager, to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of One Hundred Ninety-Eight Million Eight Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$198,844,252) for the purpose of constructing a new Watertown High School located at 50 Columbia Street in Watertown, Massachusetts, including the payment of all costs related to designing the project, demolishing the existing building, equipping and furnishing the school, site improvements, and all other costs incidental and related thereto (the "Project"), which appropriation shall be in addition to amounts previously appropriated to pay costs of the feasibility study and schematic design phase of the Project and which school facility shall have an anticipated useful life as an educational facility for the instruction of school children of at least 50 years, and for which the City may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (the "MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Watertown School Building Committee; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the City Manager, is authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to G.L. c.44, §7(1) or G.L. c.70B, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor; that the City acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the City incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the City; that any grant that the City may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) forty-nine and thirty-three one hundredths percent (49.33%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; that the amount of the borrowing authorized by this order shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in and received pursuant to the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the City and the MSBA; and that the design/bid/build delivery method is hereby authorized to carry out the Project pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c.149.

- C. Three Elementary Schools Project

First Reading on a Proposed Loan Order Authorizing the City Treasurer, with the Approval of the City Manager, to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of \$48,895,000 is appropriated to pay costs of renovating and constructing additions to the Lowell Elementary School and constructing the new Hosmer and Cunniff Elementary Schools, including the costs of equipping and furnishing the schools, making site improvements at the schools and all other costs incidental and related to such school projects, which appropriation shall be in addition to all amounts previously appropriated for such school projects; 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.

D. Streets and Sidewalks

First Reading on a Proposed Loan Order Authorizing the City Treasurer, with the Approval of the City Manager, to Borrow and/or Expend Monies in the Amount of \$2,500,000 is appropriated to pay costs of constructing, reconstructing, paving, repairing or otherwise improving streets and sidewalks, including if necessary, convenient or desirable improving underground ducts and conduits and paying all other costs incidental and related to such street and sidewalk work; 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.

E. Play Equipment

Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$551,044 from the Fiscal Year 2022 Debt Retirement – Planned Debt to the Fiscal Year 2022 Transfer To Capital Projects – Arsenal Park Improvement, to move forward with the Pre-Purchase of Play Equipment for Arsenal Park Phase B.

F. Arsenal Street Corridor

Resolution Authorizing a Transfer of Funds in the Amount of \$800,000 from the Fiscal Year 2022 City Council Reserve to the Fiscal Year 2022 Transfer To Capital Projects – Arsenal Street Corridor Improvements \$800,000 to move forward with the MassWorks Arsenal Street Corridor Matching Share of \$1.7 million.

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- A. Committee on Human Services Regarding Reappointment of Cynthia Galligan as a member of the Watertown Housing Authority.
Anthony Palomba, Chair

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Referral to the Personnel and City Organization Committee to Discuss and Recommend Council Compensation

12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

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

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. PUBLIC FORUM

16. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT