



Watertown City Council

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District B Councilor

Emily Izzo,
District D Councilor

CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022 AT 7:00 PM RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 149 MAIN STREET 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. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - A. Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting - April 27, 2022
 - 5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - A. Consideration and Vote on Selection of City Manager Candidate – Finalists for Consideration: John Curran, Norman Khumalo, George Proakis.
After the meeting, the City Council Will Go Into Executive Session
 - 6. PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS AND MATTERS
 - A. Proclamation Honoring Police Chief Michael Lawn on His Retirement
 - B. Proclamation Celebrating June as Pride Month - 2022
 - 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - A. Public Hearing and a Vote on a Proposed Order Authorizing the Sum of \$500,000 Is Appropriated to Pay Costs of Installing and Replacing a Water Main Located at Partridge Street and Highland Avenue through Ridgelawn Cemetery to Warren

Street, Including All Costs Incidental and Related Thereto; 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, §8(5), or Pursuant to Any Other Enabling Authority, and to Issue Bonds or Notes of the City Therefor; that the Treasurer, with the Approval of the City Manager, Is Authorized to Borrow All or a Portion of Such Amount from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (the “Authority”) Pursuant to the Authority’s Local Water Service Assistance Program and in Connection Therewith to Enter into a Loan Agreement and/or Financial Assistance Agreement with the Authority and Otherwise to Contract with the Authority with Respect to Such Loan and for Any Grants or Aid Available for the Project or for the Financing Thereof; and That the City Manager is Authorized to Accept and Expend Any Grants or Aid Available for the Project or for the Financing thereof, Provided that the Amount of the Authorized Borrowing for the Project Shall Be Reduced by the Amount of Any Such Grants or Aid Received

- B. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Order Authorizing the Sum of \$300,000 is Appropriated to Pay Costs of Replacing Lead Pipes that Connect Service Lines to Water Mains, Including All Costs Incidental and Related Thereto; 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; That the Treasurer, With the Approval of the City Manager, Is Authorized to Borrow All or a Portion of Such Amount from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (the “Authority”) Pursuant to the Authority’s Lead Service Line Replacement Program and in Connection Therewith to Enter into a Loan Agreement and/or Financial Assistance Agreement With the Authority and Otherwise to Contract with the Authority With Respect to Such Loan and for Any Grants or Aid Available for the Project or for the Financing Thereof; and That the City Manager Is Authorized to Accept and Expend Any Grants or Aid Available for the Project or for the Financing Thereof, Provided that the Amount of the Authorized Borrowing for the Project Shall Be Reduced by the Amount of Any Such Grants or Aid Received
- C. Public Hearing and Vote on a Proposed Order Authorizing the Sum of \$750,000 is Appropriated to Pay Costs of Designing, Engineering and Constructing Sewer System Improvements, Including All Costs Incidental and Related Thereto; 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

8. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. Presentation of the Final Commercial Development and Housing Nexus Study Prepared by Karl F. Seidman Consulting Services and ConsultEcon, Inc., and a Request for the Administration to Draft Language for Council Consideration of a Home Rule Petition Authorizing the City to Establish a “Linkage Fee” on New Large-Scale Commercial Development for the Funding of Affordable Housing.

9. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- A. Committee on Parks and Recreation Report Regarding a Special Needs Baseball/Softball Diamond, Dark Sky Lighting for All City Parks, and Park Signage
- Anthony Palomba, Chair

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Referral to the Committee on Rules and Ordinances to Make Recommendations on a Tree Protection Ordinance as Advocated by the Watertown Environment and Energy Efficiency Committee and Trees for Watertown

11. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- A. Request for Confirmation of Reappointments to the Licensing Board.
- B. Request for Confirmation of Reappointments to the Planning Board.
- C. Request for Confirmation of Reappointment to the Board of Election Commissioners.
- D. Request for Confirmation of Reappointment to the Board of Assessors.
- E. Request for Confirmation of Appointment to the Environment & Energy Efficiency Committee.

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

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. PUBLIC FORUM

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Executive Session Pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(2) - To Conduct Strategy Sessions in Preparation for Negotiations with Nonunion Personnel – City Manager Candidate

16. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT