



FITCHBURG CITY CLERK

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WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

January 16, 2024

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**Fitchburg Legislative Building
700 Main Street
Fitchburg MA 01420**

7:00 PM

This meeting can also be viewed live on FATV. Go to www.fatv.org/watch-fatv for more information on accessing this meeting.

This is intended to help you understand the meeting format and assist you with the rules of the Council as they pertain to your participation.

All meetings of the Fitchburg City council are open to the public. This does not mean that the public participates in all aspects of the meeting. It simply means that the meeting itself, including all discussions and votes, is open for public view.

Executive Session

The only time a Council meeting can be closed to the public is when the Council votes for Executive Session in order to discuss sensitive matters in private, such as pending litigation. Any votes taken however, must be taken in open session.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK DURING A COUNCIL MEETING:

Public Forum

The Public Forum occurs immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance. The President will ask if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on any matter appearing on the Agenda. If you wish to address the Council, you must stand and be recognized and follow these rules before speaking:

1. State your name and city of residence.
2. Approach the center table and either stand or sit. This allows you to be seen and heard clearly by everyone in attendance.
3. You may speak only on items appearing on the agenda for no more than (2) minutes. Copies of the agenda are available on the center table prior to the meeting.
4. Please state the petition, order, ordinance, or resolution number to which you refer.

Public Hearings

Public hearings are held on various issues such as Special Permits and Zoning changes. The same rules apply with the following exceptions:

1. You must stand and be recognized either "in favor" or "in opposition" when asked by the Council President.
2. You need not refer to the petition number.

If you have any questions or comments either before or after the meeting, any Councilor would be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your interest!

I. PUBLIC FORUM

This meeting will be open to the public. Persons who wish to participate remotely in the Public Forum portion of the meeting may request a remote attendance link by contacting the City Clerk at cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov by 12:00 PM (noon) on the day of meeting.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. REPORT OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Appointments Committee

Oral Report

Meeting of January 16, 2024

New Appointment:

Permanent Full-Time Firefighter

For the City of Fitchburg

Ian B. Wilder

IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS

V. COMMUNICATION

Her Honor the Mayor

1. Promotion letter:

Captain Patrick G. Haverty to Provisional Deputy Chief

2. Promotion letter:

Lieutenant Jude Lambert to Captain

3. Promotion letter:

Lieutenant Kristopher J. Maillet to Captain

4. Promotion letter:

Firefighter John A. Girouard to Lieutenant

5. Promotion letter:

Firefighter Sean M. Joubert to Lieutenant

6. Promotion letter:

Firefighter Francisco Robles III to Lieutenant

VI. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Public Safety Committee

Meeting of January 16, 2024

Oral Report

274-23. Intercar Motors Group Corp., to petition for a Class II Dealer's License located at:
556 River Street - Fitchburg - Ma – 01420

VII. ORDERS – FINANCE

- 008-24. ORDER THAT: the City of Fitchburg hereby appropriates and transfers the sum of \$42,240 (FORTY-TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS) from LAW DEPARTMENT- PERSONAL SERVICES to LAW DEPARTMENT- EXPENSES for the appointment of the City Solicitor.

VIII. ORDINANCE

- 009-24. AN ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE: Amending Article VIII entitled “Snow or Ice on Motor Vehicles” as outlined in the enclosed Ordinance. Chapter 157-94 shall be amended as outlined in the enclosed Ordinance. Chapter 169-10 entitled “Violations and penalties” shall be renumbered to be Chapter 169-11. A new Chapter 169-10 entitled “Duty to remove snow or ice from motor vehicles” shall be inserted and read as outlined in the enclosed Ordinance.
(Refer to Legislative Affairs)

IX. PETITIONS

- 010-24. Counselor Fleming on behalf of Mary Lotze at 349 Pearl Hill Rd. To install a berm that has deteriorated over the years which is now causing flooding onto personal property.
(Refer Public Works)
- 011-24. Confirming that the City is to proceed with Phase II of the Twin Cities Rail Trail Project and to take all necessary actions to appropriate funds, conduct takings of easements as identified on the 100% Plans and any further DOT approved Plans, and any further actions necessary, convenient, and helpful to facilitate the completion of the Phase II project.
[100% Plans](#)
(Refer to City Property)

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 7:00 PM