



FITCHBURG CITY CLERK

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WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL!

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 address.
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 Councillor would be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your interest!

I. PUBLIC FORUM

As the meeting location will not be open to the public, the public is invited to participate in the Zoom webinar of April 20, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time.

Topic: Fitchburg City Council Meeting

Register in advance for the Public Comment/Hearing portion of the Agenda by going to:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_LM9yep1RSmylZ8VUTANvHA

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about logging in to join the webinar.

II. REPORT OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Appointments Committee Oral Report Meeting of April 20, 2021

New Appointment:

Fitchburg Cultural Council

(Term to expire April 1, 2024)

Mr. Derrick Cruz

Full-Time Student Police Officer

For the City of Fitchburg

Angelo J. Ramos, Jr.

III. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS

IV. COMMUNICATION

His Honor the Mayor

Re-Appointment Letters

1. Mr. Richard Liberatore, as a member of the Airport Commission, term to expire July 1, 2022.
2. Mr. Clayton R. Raymond, as a member of the Airport Commission, term to expire February 1, 2024.

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Crocker School Building Committee

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Council as a Whole Committee

Meeting of April 13, 2021

- 068-21. AN ORDINANCE: Amending the Fitchburg City Code, Chapter 44, re: Fire Chief.
- 069-21. AN ORDINANCE: Amending the Fitchburg City Code, Chapter 44, re: Fire Chief.

073-21 Council President Anthony Zarrella: to set the salary of the Fire Chief, pursuant to City Code § 23-26 which instructs that, "The compensation of the Chief Engineer shall be fixed by the Council, with the approval of the Mayor and in accordance with the provisions of the Civil Service Act."

Legislative Affairs Committee
Meeting of April 13, 2021

- 128-20. Councillor Paul Beauchemin, to petition that all applications for a Dealer's License must be for ten (10) cars, minimum.
- 020-21. Vincent P. Pusateri, II, Esquire, to Convert False alarm notifications fees to a municipal charge lien, as outlined in the enclosed petition.
- 046-21. Councillor Marcus DiNatale, to petition that the new Fitchburg City Hall Legislative Building be named the "David Clark Legislative Building" in honor of former School Committee Member, City Councillor, WEIM/WPKZ radio and FATV Sports Broadcaster David Clark for his many decades of public service to the City of Fitchburg.
- 070-21. Councillor Amy Green, on behalf of the Board of Directors of FATV, Mike Flynn and "Broadcast Buddies" of Dave Clark to petition to have the booth named and dedicated in Dave Clark's name.
Amended to read as follows:
- Councillor Amy Green, on behalf of the Board of Directors of FATV, Mike Flynn and "Broadcast Buddies" of Dave Clark to petition to have the booth at Crocker Field named and dedicated in Dave Clark's name.
- 044-21. AN ORDINANCE: Strike § 3-208, entitled "Deputy Procurement Officer" in its entirety and replace with the following:
3-208 Procurement Support Staff

The Chief Procurement Officer shall be authorized to fill any administrative support staff position that is provided for and funded by appropriation.

172-20. AN ORDINANCE: amending the Zoning By-Law be amended by striking the By-Law in its entirety and inserting in its place the attached Zoning By-Law represent phase one of rewriting the City's Zoning By-Law.

(Reference Petition #29-2020, Petition #221-20, and Petition #005-21)
(First Reading, as Amended was completed April 7, 2021)

Final Amendment, please see links below:

https://www.fitchburgma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/7869/Final-Zoning-Ordinance-with-all-Amendments-FINAL_041521

Minutes of the Legislative Affairs Meeting April 13, 2021:

<http://www.ci.fitchburg.ma.us/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Minutes/04132021-2336>

VII. ORDERS-FINANCE

- 075-21. ORDERED THAT: The City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, Firefighter Safety Equipment grant in the approximate amount of \$19,075.00 (NINETEEN THOUSAND, SEVENTY-FIVE AND 00/100 DOLLARS) for the purpose of said grant, which is to upgrade communications equipment in the Fire Department.
- 076-21. ORDERED THAT: The City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Sustainable Materials Recovery Program grant in the approximate amount of \$42,000.00 (FORTY-TWO THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS) for the purpose of said grant, which is to continue to provide residents with more robust information about waste disposal and recycling, purchase additional carts for the curbside program, expand the current program, and reduce, reuse, and recycle in school cafeterias.
- 077-21. ORDERED THAT: The City of Fitchburg approves the expenditure of funds from the Massachusetts Collaborative for Action, Leadership, and Learning 3 Substance Misuse Prevention grant in the approximate amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$250,000.00) for the purpose of said grant, which is to prevent and reduce misuse of substances of first use (alcohol, nicotine, cannabis) among youth.
- 078-21. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is transferred from within the sum of TWENTY TWO THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$22,698.00) same to be transferred from HEALTH, PERSONAL SERVICES, FOOD AND MILK INSPECTOR and credited to HEALTH, EXPENSES, FOOD CONSULTANT EXPENSES.
- 079-21. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is appropriated the sum of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$25,000) same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to HEALTH, EXPENSES, FOOD CONSULTANT EXPENSES to cover the duties of the Food & Milk Inspector.
- 080-21. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$45,000.00) same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, CAPITAL, BUILDING RENOVATION for the purpose of installing a new roof over the DPW Office Building.
- 081-21. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$400,000.00) same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to DPW ADMIN. EXPENSES, STORMWATER CONTRACT SERVICES.
- 082-21. ORDERED THAT: There be and hereby is appropriated the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$300,000.00) same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, CAPITAL, STREET REPAIR for the purpose of paving a portion of Oak Hill Road.

VIII. PETITIONS

083-21. Councilor Anthony Zarrella to Adopt Chapter 48, Section 57G of Massachusetts General Law.

VIX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 4th, 7:00 PM