



FITCHBURG CITY CLERK

*Jun 21 2023 11:13 am*

**City of Fitchburg  
Massachusetts 01420**

**CITY COUNCIL**

**Councillors at Large**

Sally H. Cragin  
Marcus L. DiNatale  
Amy Green  
Samantha M. Squailia  
Anthonv M. Zarrella

**President**

Anthony M. Zarrella

**Vice President**

Andrew J. Van Hazinga

**Ward Councillors**

Ward 1 – Bernard J. Schultz III  
Ward 2 – Paul R. Beauchemin  
Ward 3 – Andrew J. Couture  
Ward 4 – Andrew J. Van Hazinga  
Ward 5 – Marisa R. Fleming  
Ward 6 – Derrick J. Cruz

The Special meeting of the City Council of the City of Fitchburg was held at the Legislative Building at 700 Main Street and over the Zoom meeting platform and live streamed at FATV Studios, Fitchburg, on June 8, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by President Zarrella at 10:22 P.M. The meeting opened with a salute to the Flag led by Councilor Dinatle. The City Clerk called the roll and 11 Councilors were present. Board consists of 11 members.

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**Council as a Whole Committee**  
**Oral Report**  
**Meeting of June 8, 2023**

**I. BUDGET ORDERS-FY 2024**

148-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the Mayor’s Fiscal Year 2024 Operating Budget:  
General Fund: \$ 159,048,407  
Water Enterprise: \$ 7,800,438  
Wastewater Enterprise: \$ 23,475,155  
Airport Fund: \$ 1,375,579

Amended Order adopted by vote of 8/3 (Cruz, Squailia, Van Hazinga). 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

149-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$700,000), same to be credited to the Fiscal Year 2024 TAX LEVY and charged against OVERLAY SURPLUS.

Order adopted by vote of 10/1 (Beauchemin). 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

150-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,300,000), same to be charged

against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to the Fiscal Year 2024 TAX LEVY in order to reduce the tax rate.

Order adopted by vote of 10/1 (Squailia). 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

151-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$138,000.00), same to be charged against PARKING METER/GARAGE RECEIPTS and credited to Fiscal Year 2024 accounts as follows:

Treasurer Personal Services	\$ 20,000.00
Treasurer Expenses	\$118,000.00

152-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$55,000), same to be charged against PEG ACCESS AND CABLE RELATED FUND RECEIPTS and credited to Fiscal Year 2024 accounts as follows:

Information Technology, PEG Expenses	\$55,000
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153-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000), same to be charged against CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES and credited to Fiscal Year 2024 accounts as follows:

Cemetery Personal Services	\$15,000
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154-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of SEVEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$7,800,438.00) same to be charged against WATER ENTERPRISE FUND RECEIPTS and crediting Fiscal Year 2024 Water Enterprise Fund accounts as follows:

Personal Services	\$2,199,873.00
Expenses	\$1,995,500.00
Indirect Costs	\$1,110,000.00
Debt Service	\$1,845,065.00
Capital Expenses	\$ 650,000.00

155-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of TWENTY-THREE MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$23,475,155.00), charging \$13,678,190.00 against WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND RECEIPTS and \$9,796,965.00 against WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND RETAINED EARNINGS, and crediting Fiscal Year 2024 Wastewater Enterprise Fund accounts as follows:

Personal Services	\$2,719,960.00
Expenses	\$4,904,250.00
Indirect Costs	\$1,210,000.00
Debt Service	\$6,493,145.00
Capital Expenses	\$8,147,800.00

156-23. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ONE MILLION, THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$1,375,579.00), same to be charged against

AIRPORT RECEIPTS RESERVED and credited to Fiscal Year 2024 Airport Fund accounts as follows:

Personal Services     \$ 330,029.00  
Expenses               \$1,045,550.00

157-23. ORDER THAT: the City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the following Revolving Funds authorized by city ordinance up to the amount available in the fund or \$100,000.00 (except Public Health Sustainability which shall have a limit of \$700,000.00 for FY2024), whichever is less:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorized Official</u>
Animal Control	Police Chief
Civic Days	Mayor or Mayor's Designee, Recreation Director
Communication Tower & Equipment	Fire Chief
Community Development	Community Development Director or Designee
Demolition	Community Development Director or Designee
Public Cemetery	Cemetery Superintendent, Public Works Commissioner
Public Health Sustainability	Public Health Director
Public Library	Library Trustees, Chief Librarian
Traffic Enforcement	Police Chief
Traffic Safety Equipment	Police Chief
Senior Center Activities	Executive Director of the Council on Aging
Sidewalk	Public Works Commissioner
Stormwater Maintenance	Public Works Commissioner

Orders 151-23 through 157-23 adopted by vote of unanimous consent 11/0. 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

Budget Orders can be viewed here:

[FY 24 - Orders](#)

[FY24 - Final Budget](#)

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The meeting adjourned at 10:25 P.M.

*Joanna Bilotta-Simeone*  
Joanna Bilotta-Simeone, City Clerk