



**CITY OF HAVERHILL  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

**Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer St., Room 202**

**In-Person/Remote Meeting**

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Present – President Jordan, Councillors Barrett, Bevilacqua, Sullivan, Michitson, Lewandowski, Rogers, and Toohey

Absent – Councillor McGonagle

Administrative Assistant – Laurie Brown

City Clerk – Linda Koutoulas

Assistant City Clerk – Kaitlin Wright

**1. OPENING PRAYER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING**

*Motion by Councillor Rogers to approve 12/6/22 minutes, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED Placed on File All in Favor*

*Motion by Councillor Barrett to approve 12/20/22 minutes, second Councillor Bevilacqua*

*PASSED Placed on File All in Favor*

**4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

*Councillor Bevilacqua assigned minutes.*

President Jordan thanked all those including his fellow council members for all their support and attending the services for his Mother, Mary Dwyer Jordan and also offered a moment of silence for multiple city employees including Jerry Poore, Joe Spero, Carma Selvaggio.

**5. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL:**

*Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Rogers to nominate Timothy Jordan as president.*

*Motion by Councillor Michitson to close, second Councillor Rogers*

*PASSED Yeas 7, Nays 0, Present 1 (Bevilacqua), Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

**6. ELECTION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL:**

*Motion by Councillor Lewandowski, second Councillor Barrett to nominate John Michitson as Vice Present.*

*Motion by Councillor Toohey to close, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

**7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

**8. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS TO INTRODUCE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:**

**9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28**

**10. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

**11. UTILITY HEARING(S) AND RELATED ORDER(S):**

**12. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:**

- 12.1. Document 122; Guy Bresnahan for Broco Oil, requests to Discontinue Hale st from Burke and Norfolk Streets *Tabled from December 20 2022*



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*Favorable conditional recommendation from Planning Board and Director  
Related communication from applicant to continue matter to January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting*

12.1.1. Document 122-B; Order – Discontinue a portion of Hale st as a public way

*Motion by Councillor Barrett to postpone, second Councillor Bevilacqua*

*PASSED to be heard 1/24/23 All in Favor*

- 12.2. Document 130; CCSP 22-14 Attorney Paul Magliocchetti for applicant Robert Ferreira Jr for a Flexible Development – Sunset Oaks – a single family home development of 10 homes at 0 Scotland Hill rd and Snow rd  
*City Dept comments are included.*

#### **President Jordan opened the hearing.**

Paul Magliocchetti, Attorney; Robert Ferreira, Jr., Owner; and Bill Hall, Engineer, presenting before the Council the proposal for a Flexible Development at Snow Road and Scotland Hill Road for 10- new residential single-family homes. The proposed development is designed to follow the guidelines of a flexible development. Will have dedicated open space, a looped trail system, fire suppression systems, and infrastructure improvements extending city water and sewer. Received approval from City Departments.

#### **President Jordan asked if anyone would like to speak in favor?**

Those speaking in favor were Jim Parker, Mark Gosslin, Brian McAteer, Paul Brenna, Michael Drew, and Eric Alaimo.

#### **President Jordan asked if anyone would like to speak in opposition?**

Those speaking in opposition were Lisa Saunders, Susan Terry, and Howard Combs.

#### **President Jordan closed the hearing.**

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan for passage with discussion, second by Councillor Toohey.*

Councillor comments included favorable for the open space, no wet lands, helps elevate some of the housing shortage issues, model for flexible development, concerns about water pressure for existing homes, construction truck traffic, present road conditions.

*President Jordan stated conditions:*

*Councillor Barrett condition that Mr. Ferreira is responsible for a pump station if found deficient determined by the city's water/wastewater department.*

*PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

*And No construction before 7:30 a.m. and to end at 5:00 p.m.*

*PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*



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*Councillor Bevilacqua condition that the developer be required to improve roadway conditions to the satisfaction of the City Engineers office.*

PASSED

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

**President Jordan: Three Conditions added. Now will Vote on flexible development.**

PASSED

*Yeas 7, Nays 1 (Sullivan), Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

### 13. APPOINTMENTS:

13.1. **Confirming Appointments:**

13.2. **Non-Confirming:**

13.2.1. Mayor Fiorentini submits the following 2023 subordinate officers – to expire December 31 2023:

Yenise Rozon, Treasurer & Collector of Taxes

William Cox, City Solicitor

William Macek, Mayor's Deputy Chief of Staff

Shawn Regan, Mayor's Office Communications Director

Lisa Yarid Ferry, Mayor's Executive Director Assistant

Robert Pistone, Lock-Up Keeper

Robert Ward, Tree Warden, Gypsy Moth Superintendent & Fence Viewer

Carly Fowler, Poundkeeper

Karin Devlin, Inspector of Animals

Thomas Bridgewater, Inspector of Buildings

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Rogers*

PASSED

*All in Favor*

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13.3. **Resignations:**

### 14. PETITIONS:

14.1. Hearing request – CCSP 22-15: from Martin Murphy for applicant JV Hostetter Family LLC, for property located at 261 River st that is in two different zones; IG Zone and RU zone. Owner requests to build an addition 80' x 130' to one of its existing on-site buildings, in IG Zone to be used for warehouse purposes with a portion to be used as an ancillary commercial office.

**Hearing Feb 14, 2023**

*Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Barrett*

PASSED to be heard February 14, 2023 *Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

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14.2. **Applications Handicap Parking Sign:** *with Police approval*

14.3. **Amusement/Event Application** - *with Police approval*

14.4. **Auctioneer License:**



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- 14.5. **Tag Days:** *with Police approval*
- 14.5.1. *HHS Boys Crew, April 28, 29, 30* 3
- 14.5.2. *HHS Girls Crew, September 8, 9, 10* 3-B
- Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Rogers*
- PASSED All in Favor*
- 14.6. **One Day Liquor License:**
- 14.7. **Annual License Renewals:**
- 14.7.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2023 - Fixed location** – *with approvals*
- 14.7.1.1. Lisa Wright, FIXD 22-03, for 0 Nettleton av – outside  
Haverhill Stadium to sell hot dogs, chips and soda; starting May 1  
2023; 11 to 4 pm Monday – Sunday
- Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Rogers*
- PASSED All in Favor* 4
- 14.7.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals** - *with Police approvals*
- 14.7.3. **Drainlayer License Renewals** -*with City Engineer approval*
- 14.7.3.1. James Boraczek 5
- 14.7.3.2. Daniel Briscoe 5-B
- 14.7.3.3. Paul Busby 5-C
- 14.7.3.4. Daniel Deloury 5-D
- 14.7.3.5. Rocci DeLucia Jr. 5-E
- 14.7.3.6. Bruce Hoehn 5-F
- 14.7.3.7. Peter Holland 5-G
- 14.7.3.8. Ralph Meola 5-H
- 14.7.3.9. Doug Robbins 5-I
- 14.7.3.10. William Sawyer 5-J
- Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Toohey*
- PASSED All in Favor*
- 14.7.4. **Christmas Tree Vendor** – *with Police approval*
- 14.7.5. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2022:** *with Police approval*
- 14.7.6. **Taxi/Limousine License** *with Police approval:*
- 14.7.7. **Junk Dealer License** *with Police approval*
- 14.7.8. **Pool Tables**
- 14.7.9. **Sunday Pool**
- 14.7.10. **Bowling**
- 14.7.11. **Sunday Bowling**
- 14.7.12. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles** *with Police approval*
- 14.7.13. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing**
- 14.7.14. **Pawnbroker license**
- 14.7.15. **Fortune Teller** - *pending Police approval*



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- 14.7.16. **Buy & Sell Old Gold**
- 14.7.17. **Roller Skating Rink**
- 14.7.18. **Sunday Skating**
- 14.7.19. **Exterior Vending Machines/Redbox Automated Retail, LLC**  
*pending Police approval*
  - 14.7.19.1. *CVS Pharmacy, 150 Lafayette sq*  
*Market Baskets, A & B, 2 Water st, 285 Lincoln av, 400 Lowell av*  
*Walgreens, A & B, 800 River st*

*Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Rogers*  
**PASSED** *All in Favor*

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- 14.7.20. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars with Police approval**

**15. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:**

- 15.1. Order - Appropriate \$512,000.00 from Hunking Middle School and High School Pool roof accounts for the purpose of paying costs of the roof replacement project at the Moody School, 59 Margin st *Assistant Superintendent Mike Pfifferling will be at the meeting to answer questions*  
*Related communication from Mayor Fiorentini*

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Sullivan*  
**PASSED** *Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

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- 15.2. Order - Transfer \$40,000.00 from the Hunking Middle School Capital Project Fund to pay the cost of feasibility study to replace the boiler at the Moody School *Related communication from Mayor Fiorentini*

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett*  
**PASSED** *Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

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- 15.3. Order - Transfer \$40,000.00 from the Hunking Middle School Capital Project Fund to pay the cost of feasibility study to replace the boiler at the Silver Hill School. This appropriation will be eligible to apply for a grant from the MA School Building Authority (MSBA)  
*Related communication from Mayor Fiorentini*

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett*  
**PASSED** *Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

7-C

- 15.4. Order - Transfer \$30,000 from FY 2023 Free Cash to the City Beautification account for (31) tree and flower planter boxes in the Washington/Wingate Streets area. \$37,000 is also being contributed for this purpose from CDBG.



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*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

7-D

15.5. Order – Transfer \$238,088.58 from FY 2023 Miscellaneous Revenue to the Opioid Stabilization Fund. These funds represent additional funds received from the National Opioid settlement. Total funds received to date equal \$435,832.07 *Related communication from Mayor Fiorentini*

*Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

7-E

15.6. Order – Transfer \$96,747.00 from Free Cash and appropriated to procure three electric vehicles *Related communication from Mayor Fiorentini*

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

7-F

### 16. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)

### 17. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

17.1. Councillor Sullivan requests a discussion regarding giving private contract snow plow operators a fuel allowance per each snow and/or snow emergency.

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan to refer to A&F, second Councillor Bevilacqua*

*PASSED referred to A&F*

*All in Favor*

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17.2. Council President Jordan and members of the City Council wish to acknowledge the retirement of City Clerk, Linda Koutoulas

The Council thanked City Clerk Koutoulas for all her service and wished her well in her retirement.

Placed on File

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### 18. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:

18.1. Document 118-H; Councillor Lewandowski and Council Vice President Michitson request a discussion on funding resources for mental health services, including local preventative and addiction treatment services.  
*Tabled from December 20 2022*

Dr. Maddox addressed the Council. He commented on unprecedented funding resources for mental health in Haverhill including preventative and addiction



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treatment services; states there appear to be about \$3.7 million to invest -- \$810K in cannabis impact fees, \$1.7 million in excise tax, and \$436K in opioid settlement fee, \$500K in youth services account, \$250K for mental health. Working on programs to use opioid settlement; want tuition reimbursement of \$350K immediately or on process on reimbursement; update on timeline and budget information and would like to see a full-time employee dedicated to the drug free community grant.

*Motion by Councillor Michitson, second by Councillor Barrett to have a plan provided to the Council in 30 days, hire a director to oversee all efforts regarding mental health and drug abuse and proposal for drug free community grant, \$350K transfer to school department, detailed plan on how to allocate \$500K youth services and \$250K mental health and monthly updates to the Council.*

*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

- 18.2. Document 42-H; Loan Order - \$750,000 to finance a lead water service program *Filed December 21 2022*

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 (McGonagle)*

Councillor Bevilacqua asked if the Federal Government provides a lead water replacement.

President Jordan confirmed Mr. Ward stated it is a grant and will be a reimbursement with no cost to the City.

Councillor Rogers wanted clarification if old lead pipes are being cleaned up and fixed? President Jordan suggested emailed Mr. Ward for answer.

**19. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

**20. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**21. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY**

**22. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST**

**23. ADJOURN :**

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Rogers*

*PASSED*

*All in Favor*

Adjourned 21:29 pm