



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, Room 202
4 Summer Street

Present – President Michitson, Councillors Barrett, Vargas, McGonagle, Bevilacqua, LePage, Daly O’Brien, Macek and Sullivan.
City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. Opening Prayer
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
The minutes of September 12 & 19 were approved Yeas 9, Nays 0
4. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting
Councillor Barrett was assigned the minutes.

MAYOR FIORENTINI SPOKE ABOUT THE HURRICANE DEVASTATION IN PUERTO RICO AND URGED RESIDENTS TO GO TO THE CITY WEBSITE FOR A LINK TO UNITED FOR PUERTO RICO FUND.

5. Communications from the Mayor

Mayor Fiorentini and Noah B Koretz, *Transformative Development Fellow for MassDevelopment*, will be at this City Council meeting to discuss the *Bloomberg Mayors Challenge*

MAYOR FIORENTINI GAVE THE BACKGROUND ON THE BLOOMBERG MAYORS CHALLENGE. LAST U.S. CHALLENGE WAS IN 2013 AND WON BY PROVIDENCE, RI. THE MAYOR HAS IDENTIFIED GANGS AS A PRIORITY FOCUS. CITY HAS TO FIND INNOVATION SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEM OF GANGS. HAVERHILL WAS ONE OF THE FIRST 300 CITIES TO APPLY AND QUALIFIED FOR AN IDEA ACCELERATOR WORKSHOP WHICH WAS HELD LAST WEEK. NOAH KORETZ REVIEWED THE POWER POINT PRESENTATION. 35 CITIES WILL BE SELECTED FOR UP TO \$100K TO TEST IDEAS & BUILD LOCAL SUPPORT. 5 CITIES WITH BEST IDEAS WILL RECEIVE MILLIONS IN GRANT MONEY FOR IMPLEMENTATION. APPLICATION IS DUE OCT. 20TH. THE MAYOR WILL HAVE FOCUS GROUPS. COUNCILLORS SUGGESTED STAKEHOLDERS TO INCLUDE*

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 11H

Mayor Fiorentini requests to have Steven S Bucuzzo, *Purchasing Director* for the City of Haverhill, give an update on the Haverhill Police Station windows project

MR. BUCUZZO’S OVERVIEW INCLUDED THIS IS PART OF MULTI-PHASE PROJECT. 24 WINDOWS HAVE ALREADY BEEN REPLACED. 42 WINDOWS REMAINING. ESTIMATE TO COMPLETE WINDOWS AND MASONRY IS \$1.2MILLION. GALE ASSOCIATES ARE WORKING ON SPECIFICATIONS FOR REMAINING WORK. HAVE TO GO OUT TO BID. WOULD LIKE TO START IN EARLY SPRING WITH 6 MONTHS TO COMPLETE. MAYOR STATED WINDOWS CAN NOT BE REPAIRED.

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 11I

Mayor Fiorentini requests to have Orlando Pacheco, *Energy Consultant* for the City of Haverhill, give an update on streetlights and solar on landfill

MR. ORLANDO’S UPDATE INCLUDED THAT WE HAVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT & PURCHASE AND SALES AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL GRID. FINAL CHECK HAS NOT BEEN SENT TO NATIONAL GRID. NOW ANALYZING SECOND OPTION TO HAVE NATIONAL GRID UNDERTAKE LED CONVERSION. THERE IS A NEW TARIFF ISSUED BY DEPT. OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. CITY EVALUATING OPTIONS FOR UNDERGROUND UTILITIES COST FOR IMPLEMENTATION. MASS SAVE REBATES AVAILABLE.

MR. ORLANDO’S UPDATE ON SOLAR LANDFILL INCLUDED THAT NEW RFP HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH DUE DATE OF OCT. 2. ANTICIPATE MOVING FORWARD WITHIN 2 WEEKS OF AWARD.

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 11J

Mayor Fiorentini submits a letter from Robert Moore, *Environmental Health Technician*, regarding conservation restriction granted from *Greenbelt* to BTA/BOLT Inc. on *Bailey Farm Property* on Kingsbury Avenue/Chadwick Pond as well as the municipal certification

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN TO APPROVE RESTRICTION Yeas 9, Nays 0 11K

6. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees
7. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)
8. Hearings and Related Order
9. Public Participation- Requests under Council Rule 28

Gary Ortiz, 14 Emerson st requests to speak regarding parking meters on Emerson st; requested by Emerson st business owners as downtown employees park their cars on Emerson st leaving no parking spaces for clients

MR. ORTIZ REQUESTED THAT THE 2 HOUR PARKING ORDINANCES ON EMERSON STREET BE ENFORCED. ALSO CITY CONSIDER PARKING METERS ON EMERSON ST. & MAKING ONE SIDE 2 HOUR PARKING AND OTHER SIDE 1 HOUR PARKING

LETTER TO MAYOR ASKING FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND PARKING COMMISSION REVIEW SUGGESTIONS BY MR. ORTIZ

Yeas 9, Nays 0 36G

10. Appointments:
No Schedule

11. Petitions:
No Schedule

Applications

Application from *Dale Rogers Studio & Over the Moon Cakes*/authorized persons Eric Karlstad and Sheryl Folk requesting to hold the “*American Dog Show*” – a temporary installation of the *American Dog Sculptures* by Dale Rogers; on the Bradford Common, October 20-22, 10:00AM to 6:00PM; and also requests fees be waived
Has Police, Fire, Building Inspector, Public Works approval
MR. KARLSTAD GAVE AN OVERVIEW OF THE SHOW. THERE WILL BE 20 EIGHT FOOT DOGS INSTALLED IN THE PARK. THEY ARE COLLABORATING WITH CREATIVE HAVERHILL.
GRANTED & FEES WAIVED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Abstain 1 (Barrett) 72B

Applications/Handicap Parking Signs:

Roseann Moschetti – *new*, 38 Hall st
REFERRED TO PLANNING Yeas 9, Nays 0 3L
Fawn Gale – *renewal*, 48 Wilson st
GRANTED & PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 3M
Ana Albino – for son Marcos Albino – *renewal*, 7 Tremont st, Apt A
GRANTED & PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 3N
William Mahoney – *renewal*, 9 Thorndike st
GRANTED & PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 3O

Tag Days:

No Schedule

Annual License Renewals:

No Schedule

12. Motions and Orders

ORDERED – That the sum of \$45,000 be transferred from the following accounts in the amounts stated to the General Fund Account, *Municipal Parking* to pay for Parking Enforcement Services:

Budget Reserve \$4,000.00 *Police Salaries* \$41,000.00

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BARRETT TO POSTPONE ONE WEEK FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION.

POSTPONED TO OCT 3 2017 Yeas 9, Nays 0 29Z

ORDERED – That in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 64, authorize the payment of bills of the previous years and to further authorize the payment from current year departmental appropriations as listed below:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Account</u>	
G & L Labs (4)	\$ 145.00	Recreation	
John M Burke, PE	\$ 500.00	Municipal Parking	
Rooter-Man	\$2,420.00	Highway	
Toshiba	\$ 148.00	Wastewater	
The Mason Group	\$1,510.00	Law Department	

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 17J

Monthly Reports

No Schedule

13. Communications from Councillors

Communication was received from Council President Michitson requesting to introduce Henry Schlothman to address dangerous Rt. 495 off-ramp to upper Main Street toward Haverhill

MR. SCHOLTHAN SPOKE ABOUT HOW DRIVERS DO NOT STOP AT THE END OF EXIT 51A OFF RAMP. HIS PROPERTY IS NEXT TO THE OFF RAMP. HE HAS WORKED WITH MASS DOT. MASS DOT HAS WORKED WITH FEDERAL AGENCY WHO HAS ADVISED THAT THERE WILL BE NO MITIGATION AT THAT RAMP. PRESIDENT MICHITSON GAVE STATISTICS PROVIDED BY HAVERHILL POLICE DEPARTMENT. DISCUSSION INCLUDED POSSIBLY REALIGNING LAST 60 FEET TO T STOP.

LETTER TO MAYOR TO SEEK CITY ENGINEER’S INVOLVEMENT AND SEND TO STATE DELEGATION

Yeas 9, Nays 0 103T

Communication was received from Councillor Sullivan requesting to recognize the Haverhill Garden Club for their ongoing contributions to the City of Haverhill

FRANCES PORIER & JENNIFER CHAPMAN ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL. THE GARDEN CLUB MAINTAIN FLOWERS AT CITY HALL, CITIZENS CENTER, WELCOME SIGNS TO HAVERHILL AND PARKS ON LINCOLN AVE. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS AND ENCOURAGED RESIDENTS TO KEEP PROPERTY CLEAN AND ATTRACTIVE AS IT RAISES PROPERTY VALUES. CITATION PRESENTED BY COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 103U

Communication was received from Councillor Sullivan requesting to introduce Christine Rau, *Director of Haverhill’s Brightside Program*, to present *Brightside’s 2017-2018 Summary Report*

CHRISTINE RAU’S OVERVIEW INCLUDED THAT THERE ARE 81 ADOPT-A-PARKS WITH ALL NEW SIGNAGE; 32 PLANTERS HAVE BEEN ADOPTED; EARTH DAY CLEAN UP FOCUSED ON HISTORIC SITE ON MILL STREET; NEW PARK HAS BEEN CREATED NEAR GROVELAND BRIDGE WHICH FEATURES ANCHOR FROM NANTUCKET LIGHTSHIP; OVER 300 VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED IN

CITY WIDE CLEAN UP; BRADFORD BURIAL GROUND HAS BEEN LISTED ON NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES THANKS TO EFFORTS OF BARRON TENNEY & TENNEY FAMILY ASSOCIATION

PLACED ON FILE Yeas 9, Nays 0 103V

Communication was received from Councillor Vargas requesting to introduce Tom Grannemann to discuss the Haverhill dropout rate and its implications for public safety and allocation of City funds
ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR LEPAGE TO POSTPONE TO OCT. 17th COUNCIL MEETING.

POSTPONED TO OCT 17 2017 Yeas 9, Nays 0 103W

Communication was received from Councillor Macek requesting a discussion relative to downtown business district pavement markings

COUNCILLOR MACEK REPORTED THAT THE STRIPING, PAINTING OF LINES DESIGNATING PARKING SPACES AND GLASS BEADS WILL BE ADDED TO THE CROSSWALKS THIS FALL

Communication was received from Councillor McGonagle requesting the removal of a handicap parking space at 5 Dustin st that is no longer needed

REFERRED TO PLANNING FOR ORDINANCE Yeas 9, Nays 0 103Y

14. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings

Document 103-O; Communication from Councillor LePage requesting a discussion regarding the *Mass Save Energy Assessment Program* and its benefits to residents and the City

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR LEPAGE TO POSTPONE TO A DATE TO BE DETERMINED
POSTPONED

Yeas 9, Nays 0 103O

15. Resolutions And Proclamations

16. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

17. Documents Referred To Committee Study

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: Linda Koutoulas
City Clerk

*Doc. 11-H – Handout from Mayor Fiorentini – Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayors Challenge