



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202

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

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Daly O’Brien was assigned the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

4. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Communication from Economic Development and Planning Director, William Pillsbury, requesting hearing regarding additional Minor changes to Zoning Ordinance – Stevens st - Chapter 40R Overlay District and related Zoning Amendment to Table of Allowed Uses: With 2 related Zoning Ordinances

REFERRED TO PLANNING BOARD

COUNCIL HEARING OCTOBER 20, 2015

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 255

An Ordinance Relating to Zoning

Table of Use and Parking Regulations

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that Article XIV Downtown Smart Growth Overlay District (DSGOD) Chapter 255, being and is hereby further amended as follows:

Section 255-122, Overlay District: The map entitled downtown smart growth overlay district dated August 8, 2006 (“the DSGOD map”) be amended to include a new subzone A-1 (high density 220) to include the westerly side of Stevens Street as shown on the DSGOD map.

All standards and requirements of the Article XIV shall be applied to this expanded area

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 255

An Ordinance Relating to Zoning

Table of Use and Parking Regulations

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that Chapter 255, Table 1, Table of Use and Parking Regulations, being and is hereby further amended as follows:

Section 255, Zoning Table 1: In as much as (A Portion of) the remaining IG zone (Stevens Street – west side only (Little River Side) is an area in significant transition all uses except residential, mixed residential/ commercial and performing arts in this portion of this IG zone where the table is currently “P” Permitted shall be changed to “S” – Special Permit by the City Council.

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ANNOUNCE AN EVENT ON SATURDAY, OCT 3

Yeas 9, Nays 0

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN STATED THERE WILL BE A MARCH FOR PEACE ON OCT 3, 3:00PM TO 6:00PM AT GAR PARK, FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SPONSORED BY HAVERHILL EXCHANGE CLUB.

MOTION TO GRANT APPLICATION FOR PERMIT FOR HAVERHILL VIOLENCE INTERVENTION & PREVENTION TEAM

GRANTED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

28P

5. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)

No Schedule

6. Appointments

Confirming Appointments

No Schedule

Non-confirming Appointment

No Schedule

Resignations:

No Schedule

7. Petitions:

No Schedule

8. Applications/Handicap Parking Signs

No Schedule

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9. One Day Liquor Licenses
One Day Beer and Wine license
No Schedule

10. Applications for Permit
No Schedule

11. Tag Days
No Schedule

12. Annual License Renewals:
No Schedule

13. Hawker/Peddler:
No Schedule

14. Drainlayer 2015 License:
No Schedule

15. Hearings and Related Orders:

Document 95, Petition from Attorney Robert Harb for applicant Joseph Franciosa requesting a Special Permit to build within the Watershed Protection District; 2 single-family dwelling units; at unnumbered Liberty st and unnumbered Crystal st. Favorable recommendation from Planning Board and Planning Director William Pillsbury

HEARING OPENED, ATTORNEY HARB REPRESENTED THE APPLICANT. HE STATED THAT THE 3 LOTS ARE CONTIGUOUS FORM A LOTS AND THAT WAS THE REASON THEY HAD TO GET A SPECIAL PERMITAPPROVAL FROM CITY COUNCIL. THEY WILL BUILD ON 2 LOTS AND WILL DONATE/DEED 36.8 ACRES TO THE CITY. PHIL CHRISTIANSEN, ENGINEER, ANSWERED QUESTIONS. MONICA CORBETT RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT NEARBY POND THAT CONNECTS INTO THE WATER SUPPLY. HEARING CLOSED.

On motion of Councillor Macek to modify the Special Permit to reflect 20 feet frontage access to lot 3A on map to be provided at a future date to Planning Director.

MOTION PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

SPECIAL PERMIT PASSED WITH CONDITIONS

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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16. Motions and Orders:

ORDERED: That the sum of \$357,559.00 be transferred from Salary Reserve account in the amount stated to the following General Fund Account in order to fund the Fire Safety Services contract dated August 11 2015:

Fire Department Salaries \$357,559.00

PASSED

Yeas 9, Nays 0

100F

17. Ordinances (File 10 Days)

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 240
An Ordinance Relating to Vehicles and Traffic

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that the Code of the City of Haverhill. Chapter 240, §85, Schedule B: Parking Restrictions and Prohibitions, as amended, is hereby amended as follows:

No Parking; Bryant av Entire length north & south side; 24 hours

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 240
An Ordinance Relating to Parking

(491 Washington Street, Apt 1- Add Handicap Parking) (see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

52K

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 240
An Ordinance Relating to Parking

(48 Wilson Street- Add Handicap Parking) (see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CHAPTER 240
An Ordinance Relating to Parking

(10 Church Street, First Church of Christ -Add 2 Handicap Parking Spaces)
(see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 9, Nays 0

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ORDERED: That \$2,500,000 is appropriated to pay costs of energy efficiency improvements to various school facilities, and for the payment of all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow \$2,500,000 under G.L. c44, w.7(3B) or any other enabling authority; that the Mayor is authorized to contract for and expend any federal or state aid or energy rebates or similar payments available for the project; that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects; and that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application to qualify under G.L. c.44A any or all of the bonds and to provide such information and

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execute such documents as may be required for these purposes.

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 77B

18 Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings:

Document 121

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 175

An Ordinance Relating to Loitering

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Haverhill that Chapter 175, of the Code of the City of Haverhill, as amended, being and is hereby further amended as follows:

By adding the following at the end of §175-2:

“No person or group of persons, whether in boats, vehicles or otherwise, shall stand, loiter, remain in and/or about the City-owned Merrimack River boat docks and ramps or the boardwalk adjacent to the Phoenix Row Parking Lot between the hours of 1:00a.m. through 7:00a.m., inclusive, unless joint written permission is obtained from the Mayor or the Chief of Police.”

PASSED Yeas 9, Nays 0 121

19 MONTHLY REPORTS

No Schedule

20 Communications from Councillors

Communication was received from Councillor Macek requesting to introduce a petition from the Lake st and West Lowell av residents and to initiate process to re-establish boundary lines between RR and RM zones to actual property lines. Resident petitions are on file and available for viewing in the City Clerk's office
REFERRED TO SOLICITOR COX AND PLANNING DIRECTOR WILLIAM PILLSBURY FOR REVIEW & DRAFTING OF DOCUMENT(S) TO CHANGE ZONING Yeas 9, Nays 0 119E

Communication was received from Councillor McGonagle requesting a discussion about traffic safety concerns at the Lake st and West Lowell av triangle
REFERRED TO TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE Yeas 9, Nays 0 119F

Communication was received from President Michitson requesting to discuss successful completion of proof of concept pilot to establish Haverhill as a manufacturing center for the innovation economy and a key strategy for economic development in Haverhill.
PRESIDENT MICHITSON GAVE A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION ON ESTABLISHING AN INNOVATION CENTER IN HAVERHILL. HIGHLIGHTED SUCCESSFUL CENTER IN S. BOSTON/ WATERFRONT & NEW PILOT CENTER IN NEWTON.
LETTER TO MAYOR TO MEET WITH CEO OF MASS CHALLENGE Yeas 9, Nays 0 119G

21 Resolutions and Proclamations

No Schedule

22 Council Committee Reports and Announcements

No Schedule

23 Documents referred to Committee Study

No Schedule

24 Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 o'clock P.M.

Yeas 9, Nays 0

Attest: Linda Koutoulas
City Clerk