



AGENDA OF CITY COUNCIL

59 COURT STREET
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
JANUARY 23, 2024 AT 7:00 PM

REVISED

By City Clerk at 4:40 pm, 1/19/24

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

READING OF RECORD OF MEETINGS OF December 21, 2023, January 2, 2024 Inaugural Meeting and January 4, 2024.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Requesting immediate consideration of an appropriation of \$199,250.00 from Free Cash (1000-359000) to the Technology Center Purchase of Service Account (11550000-520011) for the purchase of endpoint cybersecurity software for a period of 36 months.
2. Appropriation of \$123,940.14 from the Free Cash account (1000-359000) to the Technology Center Purchase of Service Account (11550000-520011) for the replacement and upgrade of infrastructure equipment that will assist in identifying and protecting the municipality's data, including sensitive information.
3. Appropriation of \$289,111.24 from Free Cash (1000-359000) to the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Account (20510515-485400) to be used for purposes identified in the settlement agreements.
4. Transfer of \$200,000.00 from the Fire Department Ambulance Undesignated Account (2100-34000) to the Ambulance Overtime Account (21002310-513000) to cover overtime costs for the remainder of FY24.
5. Transfer of \$18,876.00 from the Westfield-Barnes Regional Airport FT Hourly Employee Account (11990000-511100) to the Purchase of Service Account (11990000-520000) for airport signage improvements in compliance with Westfield Sign Ordinance requirements.
6. Transfer of \$322.00 from the Department of Public Works Wastewater Division Supplies FY24 Account (67004400-540000) to the Supplies FY23 Account (67004400-540000) to cover an outstanding invoice.
7. Transfer of \$35.00 from the Police Department Purchase of Service FY24 Account (12100000-520000) to the Purchase of Service FY23 Account (12100000-520000) to cover an outstanding vehicle inspection charge.
8. Submitting a Resolution for the acceptance of a Gift donation in the amount of \$915.00 from Hutghi's at the Nook to the Department of Public Works, Parks and Recreation Division, for improvements to the Department's skatepark.

9. Submitting itemized expenditures for completed and in progress ARPA Projects as of January 9, 2023.
10. Submitting the appointment of John Leary, Jr., 47 Broad Street, as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire in February, 2027, replacing Barbara Taylor.
11. Submitting the appointment of Eric L. McDowell, 38 Lindbergh Boulevard, as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire in February, 2027, replacing Elizabeth Boucher.
12. Submitting the appointment of Jacqueline M. McDowell, 38 Lindbergh Boulevard, as a member of the Cultural Council for a term to expire November, 2025, replacing a vacancy left by Eric McDowell.
13. Submitting the appointment of Dr. Brian P. Sutton, 47 Stephanie Lane, as a member of the Fire Commission, for a term to expire in February, 2027, replacing C.Lee Bennett.
14. Submitting the reappointment of William Gonet, 29 Cardinal Lane, as a member of the Airport Commission for a term to expire in February, 2027.
15. Submitting the reappointment of John P. Morizio, 432 Montgomery Road, as a member of the Board of Assessors for a term to expire February, 2027.
16. Submitting the reappointment of Thomas Pereira, of 150 Hillside Road as a member of the Board of Public Works for a term to expire February, 2027.
17. Submitting reappointment of Rene Laviolette, 7 Victoria Circle as a member of the Board of Registrars for a term to expire February, 2027.
18. Submitting the reappointment of Thomas Johnson, 121 Reservoir Avenue as a member of the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities for a term to expire February, 2027.
19. Submitting the reappointment of Andrea Pianka, 32 Yeoman Avenue as a member of the Commission for Citizens with Disabilities for a term to expire February, 2027
20. Submitting the reappointment of David Doe, 46 Tekoa Terrace as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
21. Submitting the reappointment of Ed Finnie, 295 Munger Hill Road as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
22. Submitting the reappointment of Joseph Giffune, 49 Colony Drive as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
23. Submitting the reappointment of Edward R. Ekmalian, Jr., 12 Crestwood Circle as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire February, 2027.
24. Submitting the reappointment of Eileen Rockwal, 5 Blueberry Ridge as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire February, 2027.
25. Submitting the reappointment Trudy Knowles, 4 Noble Avenue as a member of the Council on Aging for a term to expire in February, 2027.
26. Submitting the reappointment Cynthia Bronson, 53 Jefferson Street, Apt 3, as a member of the Historical Commission for a term to expire in February, 2027.
27. Submitting the reappointment of Patrick P. Murphy, 254 Montgomery Road, as a member of the Westfield Housing Authority, for a term to expire in February 2029.

28. Submitting the reappointment of Adam E. Roman, 419 Southwick Road, Unit Q69 as a member of the Municipal Light Board for a term to expire in February, 2026.
29. Submitting the reappointment of Ted Dobek, 883 Main Street, Agawam MA, owner of Circuit Coffee at 22 Elm Street, Westfield, MA to the Off-Street Parking Commission for a term to expire in February, 2027.
30. Submitting the reappointment of Joseph A. Golio, 109 Wild Flower Circle as a member of the Off-Street Parking Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
31. Submitting the reappointment of Kenneth Gustafson, 9 Michael Drive as a member of the Off-Street Parking Commission for a term to expire February, 2027
32. Submitting the reappointment of Jane DeBarbieri, 54 Lindbergh Boulevard as a member of the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term to expire in February, 2027.
33. Submitting the reappointment of Douglas A. Morash, 7 Gloria Drive as a member of the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
34. Submitting the reappointment of Richard A. Sypek, 60 Cardinal Lane as a member of the Police Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
35. Submitting the reappointment John Niedzielski, 28 Heritage Lane as a member of the Water Commission for a term to expire February, 2027.
36. Submitting the reappointment of Richard K. Sullivan, III, 9 Toledo Avenue as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire February, 2027.
37. Submitting the reappointment of Christine Webster, 39 Blue Sky Drive as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire February, 2027.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND OTHER PAPERS

38. Petition of Devcon Shops, LLC (an affected landowner) to amend the Zoning Ordinance at 4-40.2 to allow, by special permit, vehicular access to non-residential lots other than across their frontage.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Legislative and Ordinance Committee

39. A Resolution to allow the Mayor to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Montgomery to provide Veteran Services to the town of Montgomery.

MOTIONS, ORDERS OR RESOLUTIONS

40. Motion of Councilor Bean to allow flag incinerators on city properties, Chapter 7 – Fire Prevention and Protection, Sec. 7-1. - Fire pits, chimineas, outdoor fireplaces.