



## MINUTES OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL INAUGURAL MEETING

59 COURT STREET  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WESTFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
JANUARY 5, 2026 AT 11:30 AM

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The meeting was called to order in the City Council Chamber, Municipal Building, 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA at 11:30 AM by Councilor Beltrandi.

The Clerk called the roll. Councilors Figy and Knapik were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Beltrandi.

Councilor Onyski nominated Councilor Beltrandi as President pro-tempore. With no other nominations being offered, and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was VOTED: That Councilor Beltrandi be elected as President pro-tempore.

Councilor Harris nominated Councilor Beltrandi as President for 2026. With no other nominations being offered, and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was voted that nominations be CLOSED.

The vote on the election for Council President for 2026 resulted as follows:  
Councilor Adams voted for Councilor Beltrandi

Councilor Allie voted for Councilor Beltrandi

Councilor Bean voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor Beltrandi voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor Burns voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor Fanion voted for Councilor Beltrandi

Councilor Figy - Absent

Councilor Harris voted for Councilor Beltrandi

Councilor Knapik - Absent

Councilor Matthews-Kane voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor Mello voted for Councilor Beltrandi

Councilor Morganelli voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor Onyski voted for Councilor Beltrandi.

Councilor John J. Beltrandi III was declared the Council President for 2026.

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was VOTED: That the rules of the 2025 City Council be and hereby are ADOPTED as the rules of the 2026 City Council.

Upon motion of Councilor Onyski, it was  
VOTED: That Unfinished Business of the 2025 City Council now in committee be  
REFERRED to corresponding committees of the 2026 City Council.

President Beltrandi informed the Council that the seating assignments would  
stay as they were for 2026 with newly elected Councilor Knapik taking the open seat.

At 12:02 PM and upon motion of Councilor Harris, it was  
VOTED: To ADJOURN.

A true record, Attest:

Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce  
City Clerk/Clerk of the Council

Presented to the Mayor

For approval January 16, 2026  
Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce  
Kaitlyn Leigh Bruce, City Clerk

Approved by the Mayor

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Michael A. McCabe  
Michael A. McCabe, Mayor