

ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2022 - AGENDA
HYBRID – 77 PARK STREET
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APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS: December 7, December 14, December 21, 2021 and January 4, 11, and 18, 2022. Executive Sessions June 6, 2017, June 27, 2017, April 10, 2018 and March 12, 2019.

PUBLIC HEARING: to approve the following loan order:

ORDERED: That Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) be appropriated for the cost of purchasing and equipping an Ambulance; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$450,000.00) under Section 7(1) of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority, and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Approve expending \$10,705.30 Shannon CSI Grant to the Attleboro Police (1/18/22)
- Ambulance Loan request for \$450,000 (PH 2/1/22) (1/18/22)
- Approve expending of a bequest from Estate of M. Santurri to the Fire Dept for EMS equipment (1/18/22)
- Appropriate \$110,413.15 from Free Cash to Fire Salaries to replenish funds to pay earned time pay (1/18/22)
- Appropriate \$456,744.75 from Free Cash to Fund 3565 Breathing Apparatus for Fire Department (1/18/22)
- New business to amend 10-5.2(A) to prohibit parking on westerly side of Stobbs Drive (PH 1-18-22)

TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

- Speed Hump/Cushions amendment to 10-4-.18 requires PH (2/15/22) (2/1/22)
- Request add No Parking on Southerly East St 510 feet from O'Neil Boulevard (2/1/22)
- Appropriate \$1,750,000 from Free Cash to Rte. 123 Thacher/Rathbun Traffic Signal (1/11/22)
- Amendments for Chapter 10 and 17 regarding commercial vehicles (11/2/21) (PH 1/18/22)
- Traffic Study Commission recommends delay Rathbun-Willard Dr. opening until proposed traffic light installed (11/19/19)
- Amend Section 10-4.6 Left Turn Prohibited: May Street to Newport Avenue: May Street traffic traveling --- prohibited from making a Left turn onto Newport Avenue Northbound unless directed by a public safety official. (Ms. Porreca 11/6/18)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS & CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- Appropriate \$48,400 from Free Cash to Site Improvements for Willett Field Irrigation (2/1/22)
- Capital Improvement Program for FY2023-2027 submitted and request for a PH (1/18/22)
- Request from Historical Commission to fund a consultant to assist with inventory (1/4/22)
- Request to waive building fees on Fire Dept roof replacements (PH 1/18/22) (12/7/21)
- Updates from Jeremy Stull on the gym floor replacements for Hyman Find and Hill Roberts (10/5/21)

PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

- Approve expenditure of COA awarded grant for \$7,719.00 (2/1/22)
- Reappointments for 7 positions on various Boards (2/1/22)
- New Business to merge Budget and Appropriations with Capital Improvements Committees (2/1/22)
- New Business to add new Committee for IT & Infrastructure (2/1/22)
- Confirmation of Bill Gill of Dexter Street to the Traffic Study Commission 1/18/22)
- Transfer \$196,297.07 from Reserve Labor Negotiations to Fire Dept Salary accounts (1/18/22)
- Transfer \$17,976.18 from Reserve Fund to Mayor Salary for Grade 3 Community Engagement Mgr. (1/18/22)
- Accept donations of \$200 in Stop & Shop gift cards to the Veterans Dept from an anonymous donor (1/18/22)
- Confirmation of Albert Richard for the Disability Commission (1/18/22)
- Reappointments for 11 current members of various Boards (1/18/22)
- Appointment of Stephen Theberge 46 Pine Street to the Disability Commission (1/4/22)
- Appointment of Tiffany Foster of 55 Maple Street to the Planning Board (1/4/22)
- Appointment of Bill Beardwood to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Board (12/7/21)
- Add Grade 9 Step 4 position of Solid Waste Manager (9/7/21)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- Appropriate \$62,312.98 from Free Cash to PW – Crosswalk Systems (2/1/22)
- Transfer \$1,085 from Reserve Fund to Animal Control Maintenance for pest extermination (2/1/22)
- Transfer \$2,055 from Reserve Fund to PW – Equipment to pay increased price of berming/gravel thrower (2/1/22)
- Appropriate \$61,776.75 from Free Cash to PW – Radar Sign Systems (2/1/22)
- Transfer \$7,091.42 from Reserve to Vehicle maintenance to pay repairs on the city forestry crane truck (1/18/22)
- Authorize debt payment of \$35 for Park & Forestry to pay 123 Service, Authorization need to use Fund 2607 (1/18/22)

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- Transfer \$2,190 from Reserve Fund to City Wide Previous Year to pay for completed class (2/1/22)
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- To study the request to have a City Wide Vehicle Purchasing program. (11/3/20) (DiLisio, DeSimone and Jackson)
- Request that the Attleboro Municipal council conduct a review of the City's fiscal policy & cash reserve policy (DiLisio)
- Amend the agreement between City and Schools that all Medicaid reimbursement go to schools. (Ms. Porreca 12/17/19)
- Collaborate with state officials to have a meeting to understand the Community Pact Program thru FY2019 for best financial policies for capital improvement (NB Conti 11/13/18)

ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE

- Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to allow for Accessory Dwelling Units (12/21/21)
- Mobile Home Park zoning district proposed (11/2/21)
- A communication from Joe Drazek of South Attleboro with concern about proposed marijuana establishment (3/3/20)
- Amend §17-16.10 NON-CONFORMING SIGNS Delete B in its entirety and insert new language (see New Business-Ms. Porreca & Mr. DiLisio) (12/12/17)

LICENSE COMMITTEE

- Class II application from Blasius Auto Group at 800 Washington Street (2/1/22)
- A letter with complaints about Lemon Law Violations 100 Percent Auto at 21 Washington St (6/1/21)

CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

- Transfer \$9,479 from Elections Police to Elections Supplies for 10 4 station voting booths (2/1/22)
- Transfer \$556 from Elections Police to Elections Supplies for 4 storage shelving units (2/1/22)
- COA received a donation of \$885 in food cards from Home Instead and \$60 in food cards from Hope Health VA
- 5 Surplus vehicles from DPW on items from 1988 through 2007 all in poor conditions (1/18/22)
- New Business to review all city's annual legal expenses to determine if prudent to use new methods (6/15/21)

ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- Requested Ordinance Amendment to change Sect 10-8 regarding monthly parking PH (2/15/22)
- Charter Special Act requested to address Section 3-7 regarding Mayor's Office absence/vacancy (1/18/22)
- Public Hearing January 18, 2022 for proposed Commercial Vehicle and Trailers Ch. 10-5.13(12/21/21)
- Public hearing on February 15, 2022 with the Planning Board regarding amendments to Chapter 17-9/15.0 (12/21/21)
- Public Hearing January 18, 20 with Planning Board regarding Ch. 17-3.3 – Commercial Vehicle Parking (12/21/21)
- New business to change the effective date of paper straws and plastic container bans to 1/23/21 (6/15/21)
- Request to modify Revised Ordinance to change the term for appointed paid positions (4/6/21)
- Request to review the Revised Ordinances of the City of Attleboro (12/15/20) (DiLisio)
- Letter from Mark Kolakowski regarding change of hours at the city Compost Center. (6/16/20)
- Request that a Special Commission be formed to review the City Charter. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- To adopt Massachusetts General law Chapter 41, s. 61. (Ms. Jackson) (2/4/20)
- New Business to add a sentence to City Ordinance 9-28:1 regarding utility pole placement or relocation (Conti 11/5/19)
- To differentiate between the positions of an executive and legislative city solicitor section 2-3 of the Ordinances of the City of Attleboro. (Ms. Holmes and Mr. Kobus 10/16/18)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

- A special act addressing the adoption of a means-tested property tax exemption (12/21/21)
- A letter from Joseph Murphy of Steer street with suggestion to help seniors with taxes (11/16/21)
- Request adjustment of money from \$600 to \$700 for property tax exemption for senior citizens. (5/7/19)
- Home Rule petition for city with House of Representatives Amendment Article 89 and MGL Ch. 43B to adopt Ordinance for a Senior Tax Program authorizing City to amend Ch. 169 of Acts of 2012 (House, 3815). (Mr. Conti 7/17/18)
- Create an Elderly and Disabled Taxation Aid Fund. (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)

- Request to create a local property tax freeze program for certain seniors and other eligible populations (Mr. Kobus 9/18/18)

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Amending the Zoning Ordinances to allow for Accessory Dwelling Units on qualifying residential properties. (DeSimone/Holmes)

(Disclaimer: This agenda has been prepared in good faith based on topics that the Municipal Council anticipates may be discussed at its meeting). Agenda prepared by the Administrative Assistant from the Office of the Municipal Council.