

**ATTLEBORO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL REGULA MEETING
JANUARY 17, 2023 – AGENDA
77 PARK STREET, CITY HALL**

APPROVAL OF THE RECORDS: December 13 and 20, 2022 and January 3, 2023

COMMITTEE MEETINGS (3) BEGIN AT 6:30: PUBLIC SAFETY, ZONING AND LICENSES

PUBLIC JOINT HEARING with the Planning Board for the proposed amendments to Section 17, Table of Use Regulations and Definitions as it pertains to Marijuana. Proposed amendments available at the Council office.

PUBLIC HEARING: regarding the following loan order to replace a Water Department front end loader:

ORDERED: That Three Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$355,000.00) be appropriated for the cost of purchasing and equipping a Front-End Loader; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow Three Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$355,000.00) 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 HEARING: regarding amendments to Ordinance 16-11, Water Rates and 16-18, Sewer Use Rates. The amendments include corrections on item #20 on November 15, 2022, Mayor's Communication.

PUBLIC HEARING: regarding a New Class II license application from Tyson Auto Inc, 885 Washington St. with 10 customer parking spaces, 55 displays spaces and 48 storage spaces.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION
CLERK'S COMMUNICATION
COMMITTEE REPORTS**

OLD BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS: To recommend the following for study and recommendation:

That there be no parking on Orange Street to Park Street on the Westerly side. (Blais)

NEW BUSINESS: To recommend the following for study and recommendation:

That a Special Committee of the Municipal Council be established to explore the location and development of a new dog park in the City of Attleboro. (DeSimone and Angelo)

ITEMS OPEN IN COMMITTEES

LICENSE COMMITTEE

- An automatic Amusement Device License Renewal from Jr's Bar & Grill on Pine St. with 1 pool table (1/17/23)
- Renewal Automatic Amusement Device License from Market Basket of 1200 Newport Ave (1/3/23)
- New Class II license from Tyson Auto Inc. 885 Washington Street (1/3/23)
- A letter from Emory Convenience requesting a special act from State House to grant a liquor license (8/16/22)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- Certificate of Vote from the planning Board to recommend \$355,000 loan for front end loader for Water (1/17/23)
- Transfer \$3,200 from City Wide to Public Works for 2 solar powered stop signs (1/3/23)
- Transfer \$14,325 to Park & Forestry – Equipment for a new sweeper (1/3/23)
- Transfer \$47,066.40 from City Wide to Park Equipment for a Finger Reel Lawn Sweeper (1/3/23)
- Transfer \$2,874.51 from City Wide to Recreation to replenish funds used to replace damaged fences (1/3/23)
- Approve the MOA for winter season 22-23 and appropriate \$25,500 for Snow Removal Participation (1/3/23)
- New business for Emergency Parking Ban and amendments to Section 10-5 (12/20/22)

- New Business for Inclusive parks and playgrounds (1/3/23) (DeSimone & Dolan)
- Loan Order for \$355,000 for a front-end loader for Water Department (12/20/22) (PH 1/17/23)
- Appropriate \$500,000 from free cash to Fund 3564 for Bishop Street Sidewalk Construction (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$81,067 from Free Cash to Rec F-350 truck (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$64,250 from Free Cash to Rec Equipment for a Skid Steer Loader (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$250,000 from free cash to public works F550 and a Dump Truck (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$81,067 from Free Cash to Rec Equipment for an Overseeder. (12/20/22)
- Transfer \$18,337 from Reserve to Public Works Small Equipment for 2 line painting machines (12/20/22)
- Transfer \$10,353 from Reserve to Public Works small equipment for 2 tow-behind cement mixers (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$1,000,000 from Free Cash to Fund 3575 Roadway Repairs (12/20/22)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

- Capital Improvements Program for FY24-28 with a public hearing scheduled for 2-21-23 (1/17/23)
- \$50,000 to fund Attleboro Branding Study for Downtown from Economic Development (1/17/23)
- Approve a one-time increase in the COLA to 5% for 7-22 for the Attleboro Contributory Retirement Board (1/17/23)
- Appropriate \$195,843.41 from Free Cash to Fund 2421 COVID FEMA for expenses not covered by the grant (1/3/23)
- Accept MGL Chapter 40 Section 13D to establish a reserve fund for compensated absences (1/3/23)
- Appropriate \$500,000 to Fund 2517 Reserve compensated absence to fund the general government share (1/3/23)
- Appropriate \$16,790 from Wastewater Retained Earnings to Fund 2517 and \$13,260 from Water Fund for same (1/3/23)
- Appropriate \$150,000 from Free Cash to Planning and Land Use – Comprehensive Plan (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$45,000 from Free Cash to Planning – Housing Needs Assessment (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$41,000 from Free Cash to Planning Space and Rec Consulting (12/20/22)
- Appropriate \$149,000 from Free Cash to Fund 3518 City Hall Facility for engineering for parking (12/20/22)

TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

- That Holden Street traffic calming measures and safety concerns be addressed referred to TSC also (12/20/22)
- To look into multi-way, stop signs at the intersection of Dennis Street at Eldridge Street. (TSC also) (12/6/22)
- Amendment to city speed hump policy, C. 10 S. 4.18C, for humps w/in 300 ft of school (10/18/22) (PH 11/15/22)
- Restrict parking to one side of Frank Mossberg Drive (Bennett) (9/20/22)
- Add Stop Sign to Eastbound drivers on Jefferson Street at Fifth Street (Bennett) (9/20/22)
- Letter expressing concern from Juliet Teizeira of Hanish Road regarding Snell St. Traffic light removal (9/20/22)
- Refer to the Traffic Study Commission a request to install multi-way stop at Greenwich and Holly Streets (8/16/22)
- Amendment to the Parking ordinance to address the reopening of Rathbun Willard Drive (4/19/22) (PH 6/7/22)
- Request to look again at Angeline Street and parking issues (2/15/22)
- 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)

IT & INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

ZONING & LAND USE COMMITTEE

- Accept Easement for 317 Bishop Street Map 121 Lot 23 – 1 to maintain a rounding curb at Bishop and Pike (1/3/23)
- Accept Easement at 536 Read Street Map 76, Lot 474C for constructions of a sidewalk (1/3/23)
- Appropriate \$5,000 from Free Cash to Fund 3563-581025 Read Street Sidewalk Taking/Easement (1/3/23)
- Appropriate \$35,000 from free Cash to Planning – Zoning Consultant (12/20/22)
- Withdraw request to rezone Highland Park from the Administration (12/20/22)
- Adopt an Inclusionary Zoning ordinance (See Goal 11, Policy 3 of comprehensive plan) (9/20/22) (10/4/22)
- Rezoning request for plat 115 lot #1 and plat #127 lot #1 – Highland Park (9/20/22) (PH 10/18/22)
- Amendment to Zoning Ordinance to allow for Accessory Dwelling Units (12/21/21)
- Mobile Home Park zoning district proposed (11/2/21)
- 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)

CITY PROPERTY & CLAIMS COMMITTEE

- Surplus a paint crushing machine for the Health Department (1/17/23)
- Appropriate \$27,500 from Free Cash to Building Renovations for Shang Building “Election” office space (1/3/23)
- Adopt Article 97 restriction of the Amendments of Mass Constitution for Highland Park (12/20/22)
- Transfer \$100,000 from Reserve for Capital to Highland Pavilion (8/16/22)
- New Business to protect Highland Park Property by transferring to Park Commission for Article 97 (12/20/22)
- Surplus East Attleborough Academy Building on Sanford Street (4/19/22)

- Request to lift the façade restriction from the sale of 135 County Street (4/5/22)
- New Business to review all city's annual legal expenses to determine if prudent to use new methods (6/15/21)

PERSONNEL VETERANS AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

- Appointment of Kevin Smith of Steeplechase Circle to the Cable Advisory Commission (1/17/23)
- Changes to Personnel Rules and Regulations for the Exempt group for Fire and Police (1/17/23)
- Changes to the Salary table in Exempt to reflect change in minimum wage (1/17/23)
- Approve Library Employees contract for July 23 to June 26 (1/17/23)
- Appointment of Susan Williams Brookwood Road to Council on Aging (1/3/23)

ORDINANCES, ELECTIONS & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

- Amend Section 2 to add a Sustainability Commission (1/17/23)
- Requested City Charter change to Article 4 – School Committee (1/17/23)
- Requested City Charter Change to Article 3 – Mayor (1/17/23)
- Marijuana Zoning Ordinances be amended to create an overlay district for GB (1/17/23)
- Amend Council Rules and procedures section 7-1 1(a) to vote items out of committee (1/3/23)
- Proposed amendments to Section 17, Marijuana, to include changes to zoning and definitions (PB-PH 1-17-23)
- Correct mistake from 11-15-22 vote #20 regarding water rates and also wastewater rates (PH 1/17/23)
- Ordinance amendment to 10-13 Parking to remove the current free spaces in the covered garage (PH 10/18/22)
- Proposed adoption of Chapter 40U of MGL regarding the collection of fines by the city (PH 9-20-22)
- A communication from Scott Horan speaking in favor of the Marijuana business in GB districts (9/20/22)
- Letter from Martha Iannazzi Conti in opposition to Marijuana businesses in GB districts and more permits (9/20/22)
- A letter from the Cannabis Dispensary Coalition suggesting not enough demand to add more retail license (6/21/22)
- A communication from Joe Drazek of South Attleboro with concern about proposed marijuana establishment (3/3/20)
- Proposed amendments to Section 17, Marijuana, to include changes to zoning and definitions (PB-PH 9-20-22)
- Request amendment to 16-9, suggesting a Fee Report every 3 years by Water Superintendent (4/6/21)
- Request amendment to 16-15 suggesting a Fee Report every 3 years by the Wastewater Dept. (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)

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- Appropriate \$90,000 to fund maintenance on Fire Department vehicles (PH 1/17/23)
- Loan order for \$475,000 for purchase of an Ambulance (1/17/23) (PH 2/7/23)
- Annual fee for propane underground tanks to be inspected (1/3/23) (PH 2/7/23)
- Appropriate \$108,137.80 from Free Cash to Fire SUV for 2 Ford Utility Interceptor vehicles (12/20/22)
- FYI letter from Attleboro Firefighters Union and Police Association regarding a meeting with the Administration. (9/20/22)
- New business to adopt the Mass Police Pay Incentive Program (Quinn Bill) (5/3/22)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR TAX ABATEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

- 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)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION

- Request a Special Committee with focus on current hiring challenges facing the city (9/20/22)

(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.