

VOTES TAKEN MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022 @ 7:00 P.M.  
METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings: March 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 Regular Meeting  
**Approved Unanimous vote**

Public Service  
Grants: None  
Licenses: None

Contracts:  
C-22-50 Agreement Between City of Methuen and the Methuen Police Patrolmen's Association

Fiscal Year 2021  
**Approved Vote: 6 yes, 1 no (Clr. Saba) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie) Councilor Simard recused himself**

Fiscal Year 2022 - Fiscal Year 2024  
**UPON ROLL CALL VOTE (to table) 4 yes, 3 no, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie) Councilor Simard recused himself**

C-22-56 Employment Contract By and Between the City of Methuen and Maggie Duprey **UPON ROLL CALL VOTE: UNANIMOUS no (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

C-22-57 Lease agreement between Nevins Memorial Library and The City of Methuen  
**Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

C-22-58 Grant Agreement By and Between Metropolitan Area Planning Council and City of Methuen Amendment #2, March 10, 2022 **Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

Unfinished Business  
Resolutions:

TR-22-20 Resolution Authorizing Expenditures of \$421,331 Remaining from the 2016 Department of Energy and Environmental Affairs Rail Trail Grant  
**Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-21 A Resolution to Affirm the Methuen City Council's Support for the Independence, Sovereignty, and Integrity of Ukraine (Requested by Chairman Beauregard and Councilor Finocchiaro) **Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-22 A Resolution to Support Women in Government by Improving Language in Methuen City Council Rules and Procedures (Req. of Clr. Finocchiaro, Clr. Saffie, Clr. Zeigler)  
**Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

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Ordinances:

TO-22-5 An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Rezone That Parcel of Land Located at 184 Pleasant Valley Street, LLC, Parcel 1010-78E-2000 from a Limited Industrial (IL) District to a Highway Business (BH) District (remove from the table) (C/D recommendation attached)

**UPON VOTE: 7 yes, 1 abstention (Clr. Saba), 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TO-22-11 Ordinance to Restructure the Methuen Police Department (to create additional police positions, per reorg- Add One (1) Deputy Chief Position, Remove One (1) Captain Position, Add Two (2) Sergeant Positions, add Six (6) Patrol Positions

**Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TO-22-12 An Ordinance Amending Wage and Salary Classification Plan, Middle Management Legal Assistant UPON ROLL CALL VOTE: Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)

Consideration of Appointments

Tammy L. DiGrazia Assistant City Clerk **Approved 8 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

Maggie Duprey – Chief Administrative and Financial Officer **Approved 8 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

New Business

Resolution

TR-22-23 A Resolution Adopting M.G.I. Chapter 59, Clause 22H, Providing for Property Tax Relief to the Surviving Parents and Guardians of Fallen Military Service Members who died serving during Conflict (Req. of Clr. Finocchiaro) **Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-24 Resolution authorizing acceptance of a gift of \$25 from Irene Leshane and Wendy Schofield to provide for continuing operations of the Methuen Cares initiative **Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-25 Resolution authorizing acceptance and expenditure of FY21 Massachusetts Development Block Grant Community Development Fund

**Approved Unanimous yes (8) 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-26 Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations – 4-way stop signs Vermont Street @ Fairoaks Avenue **Tabled to Public Hearing 8 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-27 Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations – 4-way stop signs Quincy Street @ Fairoaks Avenue **Tabled to Public Hearing 8 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TR-22-28 Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations – 4-way stop signs Olive Street @ Fairoaks Avenue **Tabled to Public Hearing 8 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

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TR-22-29 Resolution Authorizing Interdepartmental Transfer of \$15,000 From City Council Personal Services Budget Line Item to Solicitor's Office/Personal Services Budget Line Item to Cover Potential Fiscal Year 2022 Salary Increases under Consideration for the City Solicitor and the Legal Assistant **Tabled 8 yes 1 absent**

TR-22-30 A Resolution to Establish Limited Parking on Haverhill Street **Tabled to Public hearing 8 yes, 1 absent**

TR-22-31 A Resolution Authorizing the City of Methuen to Accept the Written Report of Uniqueness with Respect to the Property Located at 9 Branch Street in Methuen Authored by the Superintendent of the Methuen Public Schools and Approved by the Methuen School Committee

**Approved 7 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie) Councilor Faretra recused himself due to an appearance of conflict**

**Ordinance-**

TO-22-13 An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan, Unaffiliated, to add the new position of Personnel Coordinator **WITHDRAWN**

TO-22-14 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 6, Section 2 & Chapter 2, Section 10 of the Methuen Municipal Code and the Creation of Section 8 of Chapter 4 (Req. of Clr. Faretra, Clr. McCarty, Clr. DiZoglio and Clr. Simard) **Tabled Vote: 5 yes, 1 present, 1 no, 1 absent (Clr. Saffie)**

TO-22-15 An Ordinance to Amend the Wage and Salary Classification Plan for the City Solicitor (Unaffiliated) Sponsored by Chair Beauregard and Councilor Saba **WITHDRAWN**