

METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. AND
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. (if necessary)
GREAT HALL, SEARLES BUILDING
41 Pleasant Street, Methuen

AMENDED 9/2/21

Acceptance of Minutes: July 6, 2021 regular meeting **Approved Unanimous Vote**

PUBLIC SERVICE

A) Grants: P.S. Grant 3070751 – National Grid to install one pole 3503-50 Prospect Street and Fern Street (remove from the table) **Vote: Unanimous Vote: Unanimous approval**

P. S. Grant 30336570 – National Grid to relocate one pole 5167 on Ayers Village Road (remove from the table) **Vote: Unanimous Vote: Unanimous approval**

B) Licenses: Vehicle for Hire License Application (new) Omega Health Systems, LLC/DBA Omega Express, 2 Buttonwood Drive, Methuen, MA **Vote: Unanimous approval**

Special Excavation License Requests from Eversource Energy for 167 Lowell Street, Methuen, MA **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C) Contracts:

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS

C-22-4 Methuen Fire Department (Local 1691 International Association of Firefighters, AFL-CIO)

FY21 Vote: **Approved 8 yes, (Clr. McCarty was not present for the vote)**

and FY22-FY24 (second read) Vote: **Approved 8 yes, (Clr. McCarty was not present for the vote)**

C-22-5 Superintendents (Local #123 Federation of State, City and Town Employees)

FY21 Vote: **Approved 8 yes, (Clr. McCarty was not present for the vote)**

FY22-FY24 (second read) **Amended by deleting 10 miles and replacing with 15 miles for residency** Vote to amend: **Approved 8 yes, (Clr. McCarty was not present for the vote)** Vote: **approval as amended Approved 8 yes, (Clr. McCarty was not present for the vote)**

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C-22-12 Neptune Uniforms & Equipment, Inc., 630 Washington Street, Haverhill, MA 01832 for Police Uniforms in the Amount of FY'22 \$140,000 – budgeted amount (1st extension of original contract) **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C-22-13 Sterilis Solutions, LLC, 85 Swanson Road, Boxborough, MA 01719 for Medical Sharps and Waste Processing Machine in the Amount of \$52,800.00
Vote: Unanimous approval

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS – FIRST READ

C-22-15 Agreement Between City of Methuen and Local 3699 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Methuen Support Staff Employees Unit (AFSCME A)

July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 **Vote: Unanimous approval**
Fiscal Year 2022 - Fiscal Year 2024 **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C-22-16 Agreement Between City of Methuen and AFSCME B Proposed Contract
Fiscal Year 2020 to Fiscal Year 2021 **Vote: Unanimous approval**
Fiscal Year 2022 to Fiscal Year 2024 **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C-22-17 Agreement Between the City of Methuen and Middle Management Proposed Contract
Fiscal Year 2020 to Fiscal Year 2021 **Vote: Unanimous approval**
Fiscal Year 2022 to Fiscal Year 2024 **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C-22-18 Agreement Between the City of Methuen and Methuen NEPBA Local 117 Proposed Contract Fiscal Year 2022 to Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2021 thru June 30, 2024) **Vote: Unanimous approval**

C-22-19 Agreement Between the City of Methuen and Methuen Department of Public Works Employees Association Proposed Contract Fiscal Year 2022 – Fiscal Year 2024
Vote: 8 yes to approve (Chairman Saba was out of the room and did not participate)

C-22-20 Grainer Contract Amendment for Shared Streets & Spaces (DOT) Project in the Amount of \$65,622.24 **Vote: Unanimous approval**

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolutions:

TR-21-64 Resolution to Approve List of Potential Election Workers for 2021
Vote: Unanimous approval

TR-21-65 Resolution Requiring Public Disclosure of Financial Reports to City Website (Request. of Councilor Finocchiaro and Councilor David Beauregard)
Vote: Unanimous approval

Ordinances:

TO-21-10 An Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan to accept new position of Chief Information Officer **Vote: Unanimous approval to amend Wage and Salary scale range to: \$120,000 (min), \$125,000, \$130,000, \$135,000 and \$140,000 (max)**

Vote: Unanimous approval as amended

Consideration of Appointments: None

NEW BUSINESS

TR-21-67 A Resolution to Support Methuen's Veterans and Gold Star Families (Req. of Vice-Chairman Beauregard, Councilor McCarty, Councilor Saffie, and Councilor Simard) **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-68 A Resolution to Adopt a Key Provision of the BRAVE Act (Request of Vice-Chairman Beauregard, Councilor Faretra, Councilor McCarty, and Councilor Saffie) **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-69 A Resolution Accepting Section 4 of Chapter 73 of the Acts of 1986 (Request of Vice-Chairman Beauregard, Councilor Faretra, Councilor McCarty, and Councilor Saffie) **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-70 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Federal Funding of \$19,827,491 **Unanimous approval for first read**

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TR-21-71 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$320,505 from the General Fund Employee Benefits other expenses budget line, to the Fire Department Personal Services budget to fund the first year of the agreed upon Collective Bargaining Agreement **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-72 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2022 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Grant \$14,109.32 **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-73 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Federal Funding of \$26,314,969 **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-74 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2022 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Training Grant \$109,510 **Unanimous approval for first read**

TR-21-75 Resolution Authorizing Transfer of \$7,069 from the General Fund Employee Benefits other expenses budget line, to the DPW Department Personal Services budget to fund the first year of the agreed upon Collective Bargaining Agreement **Vote for first read: 7 yes, 2 present (Clr. McCarty, Clr. Saba)**

TR-21-76 Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of the FY'21 Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant Community Development Fund **Vote: Unanimous approval for first read**

ORDINANCES

TO-21-11 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Section 20-1 Regarding Disposing of Surplus Supplies with An Estimated Net Value Under \$10,000 (Request of Councilor Zeigler) **Vote: Unanimous approval for first read**