

METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021@ 7:00 P.M.
GREAT HALL, SEARLES BUILDING
41 Pleasant Street, Methuen

Acceptance of Minutes: November 15th, 2021 regular meeting **Approved: Unanimous yes**

PUBLIC SERVICE

A) Grants: None

B) Licenses: Vehicle for Hire Application (renewal) Methuen High Class, Inc., 110 Jackson Street, Methuen, MA **Approved: Unanimous yes**

C) Contracts:

C-22-39 MHQ Municipal Vehicles, 401 Elm Street, Marlboro, MA 01752 for 2022 Ford Transit Cargo Van (R2X) in the Amount of \$57,230.40 **Approved: Unanimous yes**

C-22-40 Adamson Industries, Inc., 45 Research Drive, Haverhill, MA 01832 for Outfitting of (8) 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles in the Amount of \$115,504.40
Approved: Unanimous yes

C-22-41 Eastern Minerals, Inc., 134 Middle Street, Suite 210, Lowell, MA 01852 for Highway Rock Salt FY 22 w/two (1) yr. Extensions in the Amount of \$62.35 per ton (FY22) FY21 was \$45.90 (spent \$267,734.03) FY 20 was \$45.90 (spent \$253,967.57)

Approved: Unanimous yes

C-22-42 McGovern Municipal HQ, 1200 Worcester Road, Framingham, MA 01702 for (8) 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles in the Amount of \$278,074.80

Approved: Unanimous yes

C-22-43 KP Law Amendment – Increase of \$35,000 **Approved: 7 yes, 1 no (Clr. McCarty)**

D) Property Tax Classification to consider the following policy decisions (FY 2022):

1. A residential exemption of the average assessed valuation of residential property
Failed Unanimous No
2. An exemption for all property that may be classified as Class II – Open Space
Failed Unanimous No
3. A determination of the percentage of the Tax Levy to be borne by each class of property in Fiscal Year 2022 **1.75% Shift Approved: 6 yes, 2 no (Clr. DiZoglio, Clr. Finocchiaro)**

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolutions:

TR-21-99 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (remove from the table) **Vote: Unanimous yes**
Approved: Unanimous yes

TR-21-100 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2022 Commonwealth of Massachusetts State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant (remove from the table) **Vote: Unanimous yes** **Approved Unanimous yes**

TR-21-101 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2022 Municipal Road Safety Program Grant **Approved: Unanimous yes**

TR-21-102 Resolution Authorizing the City of Methuen, Through Its Mayor, to Partially Release Waterline Easement in the Loop **Approved: Unanimous yes**

TR-21-103 Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations of the City of Methuen – EXCLUSION – HEAVY COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES WHEELER STREET
Approved: Unanimous yes

Ordinances:

TO-21-24 An Ordinance Adding Chapter 17A to the City of Methuen Ordinances to Effectuate Locally the Provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40U (Sponsor Felix I. Zemel) **Approved: Unanimous yes**

NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions:

TR-21-104 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Amendment to Grant Agreement for Taxi/Livery Services with Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC)
Approved: Unanimous yes

TR-21-105 Resolution Approving a Tax Increment Financing (“TIF”) Agreement By and Between the City of Methuen and Pleasant Street Designs, Inc., dba My Word! (“Pleasant Street Designs”) **Approved: Unanimous 7 yes, 1 no (Clr. McCarty)**

TR-21-106 Transfer from Free Cash of \$433,044 to cover increase in Greater Lawrence Tech Assessment **Approved: Unanimous yes**

TR-21-107 MassDEP \$30K Grant Recycling/Waste Reduction Initiatives
Approved: Unanimous yes

Ordinances: None