

VOTES TAKEN - METHUEN CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025 @ 7:00 P.M.

GREAT HALL, SEARLES BUILDING

1. **Roll Call** – members present – Clr. Soto, Clr. Surillo, Clr. Campagnone, Clr. Faretra, Clr. Pesce and Chair Marsan – 2 absent (Clr. Valley & Clr. DiZoglio)
2. **Acceptance of the Agenda** – Motion to accept by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Pesce – **UPON VOTE – 6 yes, 2 absent (Clr. Valley & Clr. DiZoglio)**
3. **Reading and Acceptance of Minutes from Previous Meetings:**
 - **Monday, June 23, 2025, FY2026 Municipal Budget 1st Read** – Motion to accept by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **UPON VOTE – 6 yes, 2 absent (Clr. Valley & Clr. DiZoglio)**
 - **Tuesday, June 25, 2025, FY2026 Municipal Budget 2nd Read** – Motion to accept by Clr. Surillo, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **UPON VOTE – 7 yes, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
 - **Monday, July 7, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting** – Motion to accept by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE - 6 yes, 1 present (Clr. Pesce) & 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
4. **PUBLIC SERVICE:**
 - A. **Licenses** – Bhamra Corporation, 5 Roma Avenue, Methuen, MA 01844 – Vehicle for hire license application – Limousine – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
 - B. **Contracts**
 - C-26-12** – Allegiance Fire & Rescue, 2181 Providence Highway, Walpole, MA 02081 – Two (2) 2026 Fire Apparatus's - \$846,012.00 – Motion to approve by Clr. Surillo, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
 - C-26-17** – Valley Green Shredding, LLC, 67 Katherine Street, Westfield, MA 01086 – Digital Scanning (Paper Copies) to System - \$28,456.05 – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
 - C-26-18** – Water Safety Service, Inc., 6 Walnut Hill Park, Woburn, MA 01801 – Backflow Prevention Device Testing & Cross Connection Program - \$42,003.00 – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**
 - C-26-19** – Toshiba America Business Solutions, Inc., 25 Pelham Road, Salem, NH 03079 – Copiers Throughout Departments - \$190,824.60 (5 years at monthly rate of

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\$3,180.41) – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

C-26-20 – Advizex, 6480 Rockside Woods Boulevard, Suite 190, Independence, OH 44131 – Migrating Microsoft 365 Data & Services from Commercial Cloud Tenant to Government Cloud Tenant - \$55,946,25 - Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

C-26-21 - Agreement for Professional Services Between the City of Methuen and Peter J. McQuillan, Esq. – **Motion to approve by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Pesce – UPON VOTE – 3 yes, 2 no (Clr. Surillo & Clr. DiZoglio) 2 stepped out of the room (Clr. Soto & Clr. Campagnone) 1 absent (Clr. Valley) – Motion failed**

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolutions:

TR-25-34 - Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of a Municipal Energy Technical Assistance Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources in the Amount of \$15,000 (*Requested by the Mayor and DECD*) – Motion to approve by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

Ordinances:

TO-25-8 – An Ordinance Further Clarifying the Purpose and Authority of the City Solicitor and the Law Department (*Sponsored by Councilor Marsan*) (*Remove from the table*) – **Motion to remove from the table by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – UPON VOTE – 4 yes, 3 no (Clr. DiZoglio, Clr. Faretra & Clr. Pesce) 1 absent (Clr. Valley) – Motion to table by Clr. DiZoglio, seconded by Clr. Pesce – UPON VOTE – 5 yes, 2 no (Clr. Soto & Clr. Campagnone) 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

6. NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions:

TR-25-41 - Resolution Authorizing Expenditures of \$5,800 from the Edwin J. Castle Fund to support Hispanic Heritage Month events – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Pesce – **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-42 - Resolution Authorizing Expenditures of \$1,800 from the Edwin J. Castle Fund for the American Legion Post 122 – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Surillo - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

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TR-25-43 - Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$25,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to support the Merrimack Valley Prevention and Substance Abuse Project – Motion to approve by Clr. Surillo, seconded by Clr. Campagnone - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-44 - Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$100,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to fund Two Patrol Officers – Motion by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-45 - Resolution to Appropriate funds of \$100,000 from the Opioid Settlement Stabilization Fund to fund Two Emergency Medical Technicians - Motion by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Surillo - **UPON VOTE – unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-46 - Resolution to Temporarily Rescind the adoption of the fourth paragraph of MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B to allow a dedicated stabilization fund for Methuen Stadiums and Parks – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE – 6 yes, 1 no (Clr. Soto) 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-47 - Resolution to Temporarily Rescind the adoption of the fourth paragraph of MGL Chapter 40, Section 5B to allow a dedicated stabilization fund for the Methuen restaurant meals tax revenues - Motion by Clr. Soto, seconded by Clr. Campagnone - **UPON VOTE – 1 yes, 6 no (Clr. Soto, Clr. Surillo, Clr. Campagnone, Clr. DiZoglio, Clr. Faretra & Clr. Pesce), 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-48 - Resolution Order Authorizing a Borrowing to Pay Costs for the Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Plan – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Surillo – **UPON VOTE – 6 yes, 1 no (Clr. Soto) 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-49 - Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations of the City of Methuen – Stop Sign – Don Avenue, Southerly Direction, at the Intersection with Forest Street – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TR-25-50 - Resolution Amending Traffic Rules and Regulations of the City of Methuen – Stop Sign – Deana Avenue, Southerly Direction, at the Intersection with Forest Street - Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

Ordinance(s):

TO-25-10 - Ordinance to Amend Section 8-11 of the Municipal Code of the City of Methuen to increase fees for the disposal of Construction and Demolition Debris – Motion to approve by Clr. Surillo, seconded by Clr. Campagnone – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

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TO-25-11 - Ordinance Amending the Wage and Salary Classification Plan, Unaffiliated, to Formally Change the Title of the “Executive Assistant to the Mayor” to “Director of Communications and Constituent Services” - Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TO-25-12 - Ordinance to Regulate Unlawful Camping on Public Property (Requested by Mayor Beauregard and Vice-Chair Soto) – **Motion to amend Section 1-A by Clr. Pesce, seconded by Clr. DiZoglio – UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley) – On the Main Motion to approve as amended – UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

TO-25-13 - Ordinance to Establish a School Bus Violation Detection Monitoring System Program for Illegally Passing a School Bus (Requested by Mayor Beauregard and Vice-Chair Soto) – Motion to approve by Clr. Campagnone, seconded by Clr. Soto – **UPON VOTE - unanimously approved, 1 absent (Clr. Valley)**

*Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Yarid Ferry
Assistant City Council Clerk*