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City of Fitchburg Massachusetts 01420

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COUNCIL AS A WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING Legislative Building, 700 Main Street, Fitchburg, MA Thursday, May 30, 2024, at 6:00 PM

This meeting will be open to the public. Persons who wish to participate remotely in the Public Forum portion of the meeting may request a remote attendance link by contacting the City Clerk at cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov.

The agenda will consist of the following:

City Council debate and vote on recommendations for budget. Finance Team and Heads of Departments facing cuts to be present.

The budget and related Orders are as follows:

I. BUDGET ORDERS-FY 2025

124-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the Mayor's Fiscal Year 2025

Operating Budget:

General Fund	\$169,788,795
Water Enterprise	\$8,396,998
Wastewater Enterprise	\$17,655,832
Airport Fund	\$1,084,715

125-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$700,000), same to be credited to the Fiscal Year 2025 TAX LEVY and charged against OVERLAY SURPLUS.

126-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,200,000), same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to the Fiscal Year 2025 TAX LEVY in order to reduce the tax rate.

- 127-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of THREE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-TWO AND 37/100 DOLLARS (\$3,203,292.37), same to be charged against RESERVE FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES and credited to the Fiscal Year 2025 TAX LEVY in order to reduce the tax rate.
- 128-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$80,000), same to be charged against PARKING METER/GARAGE RECEIPTS and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 accounts as follows:
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| Treasurer Personal Services | \$ 20,000 |
| Treasurer Expenses | \$ 60,000 |
- 129-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000), same to be charged against PEG ACCESS AND CABLE RELATED FUND RECEIPTS and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 accounts as follows:
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| Information Technology - PEG Expenses | \$25,000 |
| Information Technology - PEG Capital | \$25,000 |
- 130-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000), same to be charged against CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 CEMETERY PERSONAL SERVICES.
- 131-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of EIGHT MILLION THREE HUNDRED NINETY-SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$8,396,998) same to be charged against WATER ENTERPRISE FUND RECEIPTS and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 Water Enterprise Fund accounts as follows:
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| Personal Services | \$2,318,468 |
| Expenses | \$2,180,500 |
| Indirect Costs | \$1,410,000 |
| Debt Service | \$1,988,030 |
| Capital Expenses | \$ 500,000 |
- 132-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of SEVENTEEN MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS (\$17,655,832), charging \$15,240,002 against WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND RECEIPTS and \$2,415,830 against WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND RETAINED EARNINGS, and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 Wastewater Enterprise Fund accounts as follows:
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| Personal Services | \$2,932,460 |
| Expenses | \$5,179,584 |
| Indirect Costs | \$1,510,000 |
| Debt Service | \$6,329,788 |
| Capital Expenses | \$1,704,000 |

133-24. ORDER THAT: there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of ONE MILLION EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTEEN DOLLARS (\$1,084,715) same to be charged against AIRPORT RECEIPTS RESERVED and credited to Fiscal Year 2025 Airport Fund accounts as follows:

Personal Services	\$ 359,955
Expenses	\$ 724,760

134-24. ORDER THAT: the City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the following Revolving Funds, authorized by City Ordinance, up to the amount available in the fund or \$100,000 (except Public Health Sustainability which shall have a FY2025 limit of \$750,000), whichever is less:

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorized Official</u>
Animal Control	Police Chief
Civic Days	Mayor or Mayor's Designee,
Recreation Director	
Communication Tower & Equipment	Fire Chief
Community Development	Community Development Director or Designee
Demolition	Community Development Director or Designee
Public Cemetery	Cemetery Superintendent, Public Works Commissioner
Public Health Sustainability	Public Health Director
Public Library	Library Trustees, Chief Librarian
Traffic Enforcement	Police Chief
Traffic Safety Equipment	Police Chief
Senior Center Activities	Executive Director of the Council on Aging
Sidewalk	Public Works Commissioner
Stormwater Maintenance	Public Works Commissioner

136-24. AN ORDINANCE: Amending Chapter 44, Section 10 of the Code of the City of Fitchburg, as most recently amended, by adding thereto the following Grade assignments as outlined in the enclosed Ordinance.

[FY25 - Final Budget](#)

Very truly yours,
Anthony M. Zarrella
City Council President

By:
Joanna Bilotta-Simeone, City Clerk