

FITCHBURG CITY CLERK Sep 14 2023 2:33 pm

## WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

#### September 19, 2023

## Fitchburg Legislative Building 700 Main Street Fitchburg MA 01420

## 7:00 PM

This meeting can also be viewed live on FATV. Go to <u>www.fatv.org/watch-fatv</u> for more information on accessing this meeting.

This is intended to help you understand the meeting format and assist you with the rules of the Council as they pertain to your participation.

All meetings of the Fitchburg City council are open to the public. This does not mean that the public participates in all aspects of the meeting. It simply means that the meeting itself, including all discussions and votes, is open for public view.

Executive Session

The only time a Council meeting can be closed to the public is when the Council votes for Executive Session in order to discuss sensitive matters in private, such as pending litigation. Any votes taken however, must be taken in open session.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK DURING A COUNCIL MEETING:

Public Forum

The Public Forum occurs immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance. The President will ask if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on any matter appearing on the Agenda. If you wish to address the Council, you must stand and be recognized and follow these rules before speaking:

- 1. State your name and city of residence.
- 2. Approach the center table and either stand or sit. This allows you to be seen and heard clearly by everyone in attendance.
- 3. You may speak only on items appearing on the agenda for no more than (2) minutes. Copies of the agenda are available on the center table prior to the meeting.
- Please state the petition, order, ordinance, or resolution number to which you refer.

#### Public Hearings

Public hearings are held on various issues such as Special Permits and Zoning changes. The same rules apply with the following exceptions:

- 1. You must stand and be recognized either "in favor" or "in opposition" when asked by the Council President.
- 2. You need not refer to the petition number.
- If you have any questions or comments either before or after the meeting,
  - any Councilor would be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your interest!

## **I. PUBLIC FORUM**

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 <u>cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov</u> by 12:00 PM (noon) on the day of meeting.

## **II. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **III. REPORT OF THE APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE**

<u>Appointments Committee</u> <u>Oral Report</u> <u>Meeting of September 19, 2023</u>

<u>New Appointment:</u> <u>Conservation Commission</u> (Term to expire September 1, 2026) Sean-Michael Tantinarawat

## <u>New Appointments:</u> <u>Board of License Commissioners</u> (Term to expire May 1, 2026)

Glenn Fossa

New Appointments: Human Rights Commission (Term to expire October 1, 2026)

Georgie Rodriguez

# **Re-Appointment:**

**Board of Registrars of Voters** 

(Term to expire April 1, 2024) Dan H. Mylott

<u>Re-Appointment:</u> Board of Registrars of Voters

(Term to expire April 1, 2025) Joanne Huse

# <u>Re-Appointment:</u>

**Board of Registrars of Voters** (Term to expire April 1, 2026) Alice E. Hillman

**Re-Appointment:** Human Rights Commission (Term to expire May 1, 2026) Dr. Maritza Knight **<u>Re-Appointment:</u>** <u>Human Rights Commission</u> (Term to expire January 1, 2025) Cheryl Maguy-Stewart

#### **IV. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS**

#### **V. COMMUNICATION**

Ethier St. Ethier Street Memorandum of the Planning Board City Property Minutes

#### VI. ORDERS – FINANCE

- 223-23. ORDER THAT: the City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security State 911 Department Training Grant in the approximate amount of \$88,026.65 (EIGHTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX and 65/100 DOLLARS) for the purpose of said grant, which is to train Fire Department dispatchers in Emergency Medical Dispatch procedures, and Police Department dispatchers in 911 Emergency procedures. (Refer Finance)
- 224-23. ORDER THAT: the City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the Massachusetts Cultural Council Festivals & Projects grant in the approximate amount of \$2,500 (TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS) for the purpose of said grant, which is to support the Fitchburg Parks and Recreation Department's Summer 2023 Concerts in the Common series. (Refer Finance)

#### **VII. RESOLUTION**

046-23. RESOLUTION: A resolution by Councilor Marcus DiNatale seeking a vote of no confidence in curbside collection service provider Waste Management. The resolution states as follows as outlined in the enclosed Resolution.

#### VIII. PETITION

225-23. Andrew Couture on behalf of Evan Halstead to install more street light on Sheldon Road at and around 455 Sheldon Road on the east side of the road. (Refer Public Safety)

## **IX. OTHER BUSINESS**

Next Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 7:00 PM