



FITCHBURG CITY CLERK

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WELCOME TO THE FITCHBURG CITY COUNCIL!

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 address.
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.
4. 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 Councillor would be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your interest!

I. PUBLIC FORUM

The public is invited to participate in the Zoom webinar of
Jan 7, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time
Topic: Fitchburg City Council Meeting - January 7, 2021 @ 7pm

Register in advance for the Public Comment/Hearing portion of the Agenda by going to:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QDz0QS3gS5qupcozfk5fw

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about logging in to join the webinar.

Alternatively, comments of not more than two (2) minutes may be sent to the City Clerk's Office by NOON on January 7, 2021 by calling 978-829-1820 or via email at: cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov.

II. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECORDS

III. COMMUNICATION

His Honor the Mayor
Appointment Letter

Mr. Mark F. Christian, as a member of the Conservation Commission, term to expire January 1, 2024.

IV. COMMUNICATION

Pension Reserves Investment Management Board

V. COMMUNICATION

Commonwealth of MA
Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Appointments Committee Oral Report Meeting of January 7, 2020

Re-Appointments:

Zoning Board of Appeals

(Term to expire January 1, 2022)

Mr. Joseph Byrne

(Term to expire January 1, 2023)

Ms. Lauren L. McNamara

(Term to expire January 1, 2024)

Mr. Michael McLaughlin

Associate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals

(Term to expire June 1, 2021)

Ms. Jeanne Hudson

VII. ORDER-FINANCE

- 003-21. ORDERED THAT: The City of Fitchburg hereby approves the expenditure of funds from the Crocker Field Restoration Committee in the approximate amount of \$17,600.00 (SEVENTEEN THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED AND 00/100 DOLLARS) FOR THE PURPOSE OF SAID GIFT, WHICH IS FOR THE Crocker Field Concrete Rehabilitation at Grandstands.

VIII. ORDER-OTHER

- 004-21. ORDERED THAT: The Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the city authorized by this Council as of the date hereof, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith.

IX. PETITIONS

- 005-21. Fitchburg Planning Board, to amend the Fitchburg Zoning Ordinance by Incorporating the following provisions:
- RC Zoning Amendment
 - Agriculture & Agricultural related activities
 - Farmers Markets
 - Infill Development amendment
 - Accessory Dwelling Units
 - Drive Through Site Plan Review Amendment
 - Sec. 181.53 Signs amendment
 - Multi Family Development
 - Off-Street Parking Amendment
- (Refer to the Planning Board, Community Development, and Legislative Affairs Committee)
- 006-21. UNITIL, Fitchburg Gas & Electric Company, for a proposed new pole #15 Approximately 45' north of existing pole #14 at intersection of Industrial Road and Westminster Hill Road.
(Public Hearing February 2, 2021)

IX. ITEM FOR DISCUSSION

Petition 29-20 Amendment

(Refer to Public Hearing January 19, 2021)

<http://www.ci.fitchburg.ma.us/DocumentCenter/View/7488/29-20-Planning-Bd-recommendation-and-Phase-II-update>

Next Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 7:00 PM