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Lowell City Council *Regular Meeting Agenda*

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City Clerk

Date: July 28, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA / Zoom (Hybrid)

1. ROLL CALL

2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2.1. Communication Remote/Zoom Participation:

Meetings Will Be Held In Council Chamber With Public Welcome And By Using Remote Participation As Follows: Members Of The Public May View The Meeting Via LTC.Org (On-Line; Live Streaming; Or Local Cable Channel 6). Those Wishing To Speak Regarding A Specific Agenda Item Shall Register To Speak In Advance Of The Meeting By Sending Email To City Clerk Indicating The Agenda Item And A Phone Number To Call So That You May Be Issued Zoom Link To The Meeting.

Email Address Is MGEARY@LOWELLMA.GOV. If No Access To Email You May Contact City Clerk At 978-674-4161. All Request Must Be Done Before 4:00 PM On The Day Of Meeting. For Zoom - [HTTPS://SUPPORT.ZOOM.US/HC/EN-US/ARTICLES/201362193-JOINING-A-MEETING](https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-joining-a-meeting)

3. CITY CLERK

3.1. Minutes Of City Council Regular Meeting July 14th, For Acceptance.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 14 CC MINUTES.PDF](#)

4. GENERAL PUBLIC HEARINGS (Scheduled For 7PM)

4.1. Ordinance - Amend Zoning - Curb Cuts.

[HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLMA.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/35561?FILEID=101924](https://www.LowellMA.gov/agendacenter/viewfile/item/35561?fileid=101924)

5. UTILITY PUBLIC HEARING (Scheduled For 7PM)

5.1. National Grid - Request Installation Of Utility Pole At Westford Street And 15 Technology Drive.

[HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLMA.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/35437?FILEID=101527](https://www.LowellMA.gov/agendacenter/viewfile/item/35437?fileid=101527)

- 5.2. National Grid - Request Installation Of Utility Poles, (1) At 1270 Westford Street And (1) At 1299 Westford Street.

[HTTPS://WWW.LOWELLMMA.GOV/AGENDACENTER/VIEWFILE/ITEM/35436?FILEID=101529](https://www.lowellma.gov/agendacenter/viewfile/item/35436?fileid=101529)

6. CITY COUNCIL - MOTIONS

- 6.1. C. Mercier - To Reconsider Vote Taken On July 14, 2026 Authorizing The City Manager To File Special Legislation To Increase The Pension And 10 Years Back Pay For Vincent Fernandez.
- 6.2. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Evaluate And Repair The Dangerous Condition On Gage Street As Well As The Overgrown UML Empty Parcel Of Land That Abuts Gage Street.
- 6.3. C. Mercier - Req. City Mgr. Have Proper Department Provide An Update Regarding Zoning Laws For Data Centers.
- 6.4. C. Rourke - Req. City Council Consider Pilot Program Of Maintaining Meetings Every Two Weeks To Schedule Subcommittees Every Other Tuesday For The Remainder Of 2026 Calendar Year.
- 6.5. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Provide An Update On Swapping Out Volleyball Surface Material At Gage As Well As Potential Pathway To Install A Seasonal Restroom Facility.
- 6.6. C. Robinson - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Pathway As Well As Possible Funding Mechanisms To Update And Upgrade McPherson Swimming Pool Facility To Preserve The Lifespan.
- 6.7. C. Robinson / C. Scott - Req The City Manager Have The Proper Department Establish A Set Of SOP's For Maintaining, Testing, Opening, Closing, And Winterizing All Aquatic Recreational Facilities Throughout The City Including Timelines.
- 6.8. C. Liang - Req. City Mgr. Assess The Prevalence Of Tenant Displacement And The Potential Impacts Of Implementing A Local Version Of The Tenant Opportunity To Purchase Act (TOPA).
- 6.9. C. McDonough / C. Juran - Req. City Mgr. Work With The Appropriate Department And Community Partners To Create Interpretive Materials For The Many Immigrant And Cultural Monuments And Memorials Around City Hall Plaza And Throughout The City Of Lowell.
- 6.10. C. Juran - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Departments Give An Update On The Plans For Repaving And/Or Traffic Calming On Andover Street And The Western Half Of Douglas Road.
- 6.11. C. Juran - Req. City Mgr. Have The Proper Department Give An Update On Plans For Pickleball Courts At Parks Around The City (Including At Shedd Park), Including Fencing To Ensure That Courts Are Properly Separated From Each Other.
- 6.12. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Have Police Department Increase Traffic Enforcement On Stevens Street.
- 6.13. C. Chau - Req. City Mgr. Direct Appropriate Departments To Evaluate The Feasibility Of A Residential Front-Yard De-Paving And Re-Greening Pilot Program To Reduce Urban Heat Island Effects And Stormwater Runoff, That Includes A Homeowner Rebate Component.

- 6.14. M. Gitschier - Req. The Minutes Of The July 14, 2026 Executive Session Be Released Regarding The UHC-TIF; Once Released All Discussion To Be Held In Open Session For This Topic.
- 6.15. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Look At Funding Sources To Reinstall The Wrought Iron Fence Back Around The Ladd And Whitney Monument.
- 6.16. M. Gitschier - Req. City Mgr. Provide A Schedule To The City Council For The Crosswalks Painting Around The Schools And Main Roads.

7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

7.1. Motion Responses

- A) Motion Response - Parking Enforcement at Schools
- B) Motion Response - Sidewalks Woburn St
- C) Motion Response - Update E Street
- D) Motion Response - Injury Coverage Policies
- E) Motion Response - Lowell 2026 Best Place to Live in MA
- F) Motion Response - Invitation to Olympians
- G) Motion Response - Kerouac Park Restoration
- H) Motion Response - Fire Dept OT Spending

Documents:

- [A\) MOTION RESPONSE - PARKING ENFORCEMENT AT SCHOOLS.PDF](#)
- [B\) MOTION RESPONSE - SIDEWALKS WOBURN ST.PDF](#)
- [C\) MOTION RESPONSE - UPDATE E STREET.PDF](#)
- [D\) MOTION RESPONSE - INJURY COVERAGE POLICIES.PDF](#)
- [E\) MOTION RESPONSE - LOWELL 2026 BEST PLACE TO LIVE IN MA.PDF](#)
- [F\) MOTION RESPONSE - INVITATION TO OLYMPIANS.PDF](#)
- [G\) MOTION RESPONSE - KEROUAC PARK RESTORATION.PDF](#)
- [H\) MOTION RESPONSE - FIRE DEPT OT SPENDING.PDF](#)

7.2. Informational Report

Information Report - Quarter Two Motion Update

Documents:

- [INFORMATION REPORT - QUARTER TWO MOTION UPDATE.PDF](#)

8. VOTES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

8.1. Vote - Accept Deed - 161 Totman Street

Documents:

- [VOTE - ACCEPT DEED - 161 TOTMAN STREET.PDF](#)

8.2. Vote - Authorize CM Enter License Agreement With The Chiropractic Healing Center, P.C.

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE CM ENTER LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE CHIROPRACTIC HEALING CENTER, P.C..PDF](#)

8.3. Vote - Authorize Payment Of Bills Incurred In Excess Of Appropriations

Documents:

[VOTE - AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF BILLS INCURRED IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS.PDF](#)

8.4. Vote - Designate LHS Wrestling Room As Polling Location

Documents:

[VOTE - DESIGNATE LHS WRESTLING ROOM AS POLLING LOCATION.PDF](#)

8.5. Vote - Transfer \$249,708 - Supplemental Appropriation (HHS Lease)

Documents:

[VOTE - TRANSFER 249,708 - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION \(HHS LEASE\).PDF](#)

9. ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY MANAGER

9.1. Ordinance - Amend Chapter 266-61 - Space Savers

Documents:

[ORDINANCE - AMEND CHAPTER 266-61 - SPACE SAVERS.PDF](#)

10. RESOLUTIONS

10.1. Resolution - Recognize Lowell's Bicentennial Celebration

Documents:

[RESOLUTION - RECOGNIZE LOWELLS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.PDF](#)

11. REPORTS (SUB/COMMITTEE, IF ANY)

11.1. Non-Profit Organization SC July 28, 2026.

11.2. Wire Inspector Reports:

(5) Mass Electric d/b/a National Grid (Meadowcroft, Wood, Richardson, Bolt, Central); (6) Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid (Sixth, Saunders, Queen, Jackson, (2) Seventh)

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 WIRE INSPECTOR REPORTS 5 MASS ELECT CO DBA NATIONAL GRID, 6 BOSTON GAS CO DBA NATIONAL GRID](#)

12. PETITIONS

12.1. Claim - (1) Property Damage.

12.2. Misc. - Nathalie Amador Request Installation Of Handicap Parking Sign At 47 Walnut Street.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 NATHALIE AMADOR REQ HANDICAP SIGN 47 WALNUT STREET.PDF](#)

12.3. Misc. - Jacquelin Tanguay Request Installation Of A Handicap Parking Sign At 220 River Road.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 JACQUELIN M. TANGUAY HANDI-CAP SIGN AT 220 RIVER ROAD.PDF](#)

12.4. Misc. - Benjamin Opikhara Request Installation Of A "Autistic Child" Sign At 45 Willard Street.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 BENJAMIN OPIKHARA REQ GO SLOW SIGN FOR AUTISTIC CHILD.PDF](#)

12.5. Boston Gas - Request Replacement Of 180 Feet Of Existing Low-Pressure Gas Main On Florence Avenue.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 BOSTON GAS 180FT OF REPLACE GAS MAIN FLORENCE AVE.PDF](#)

12.6. Boston Gas - Request Replacement Of 270 Feet Of Existing Low-Pressure Gas Main On Nottingham Street And Thompson Court.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 BOSTON GAS INSTALL 270FT OF REPLACEMENT GAS MAIN NOTTINGHAM THOMPSON COURT.PDF](#)

12.7. Boston Gas - Request Replacement Of 590 Feet Of Existing Low-Pressure Gas Main On Marshall And McIntyre Streets.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 BOSTON GAS 590FT OF REPLACEMENT GAS MAIN MCINTYRE MARSHALL.PDF](#)

12.8. National Grid - Request Installation Of (1) JO Pole At 93 Mammoth Road.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 MASS ELECTRIC INSTALL 1 JO POLE MAMMOTH MAMMOTH ELLIS.PDF](#)

12.9. National Grid - Request Installation Of (1) JO Pole At 117-125 Perry Street.

Documents:

[2026 JULY 28 MASS ELECTRIC 1 JO POLE PERRY SHERMAN.PDF](#)

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT

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