

City of Salem, Massachusetts



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The City Council Committee on Government Services

will met in the Council Chamber on December 1, 2022 at 6:22 P.M.

for the purpose of discussing the matters(s) listed below. Notice of this meeting was posted on

November 28, 2022 at 2:19 P.M.

(This meeting is being recorded)

ATTENDANCE: Gov't Services committee members: C. Hapworth (Chair), C. McLain, C. Cohen, C. Varela, C. Watson-Felt.

ABSENT WERE:

SUBJECT(S)

For the purpose of carrying matters forward into the following year.

Chair Hapworth begins meeting by reading Agenda. All members of Committee should have tracking sheet. Clarifies that C. Watson-Felt is indeed a member of this Committee! Former Ward 2 Councillor Madore for 2020 brought in matter regarding flag raising calendar, kept in committee for discussion to bring up throughout year.

C. Cohen: Move to discharge.

Chair Hapworth: Unanimous. All in favor to discharge? Passes. In 2021 #240 by C. Morsillo: Opening streets. To meet with Engineering and utility companies. C. McClain?

C. McClain: Move to discharge.

Chair Hapworth: C. McClain moves to discharge. All in favor? Passes. Next is #530 Meeting with Public Art Commission from 2021 co-posted with Committee of the Whole (COW), brought in by Julie Barry. Reached out to her, no response. I can't remember why it is still in committee. Discharge now, then bring back when she responds.

C. Varela: Move to discharge #530.

Chair Hapworth: Motion by C. Varela to discharge. Passes. C. Morsillo to meet with Sci Fi, co-posted with COW.

C. Watson-Felt: Move to discharge.

Chair Hapworth: C. Watson-Felt moves to discharge. Passes. Next to discuss personnel; brought in by me.

C.W-F: Move to carry over to 2023.

Chair Hapworth: C. W-F moves to carry forward. All in favor? Passes. Next to discuss land acknowledgement #28 brought in by C. Riccardi with Tribal Council and Regina Zaragoza Frey.

C. Cohen: Carry forward.

Chair Hapworth: C. Cohen motions to carry forward. All in favor? Passes. Next is from C. Cohen: #219 Salem owning its own electric/ gas companies.

C. Cohen: This is important, but want to discharge because Salem has applied to be one of ten test communities to get electric car chargers. On main streets and don't want to upset National Grid.

Chair Hapworth: C. Cohen moves to discharge. All in favor? Passes. Letter from Alan Hanscom regarding not having vendors on Salem Commons in October.

C. W-F: Move to discharge since it was from October.

Chair Hapworth: C. W-F moves to discharge. All in favor? Passes. Next, to discuss traffic/ pedestrian safety.

C. Varela: Motion to carry forward. Passes. Next, safety by illegal dirt bikes.

C. Varela: Motion to discharge #315.

Chair Hapworth: Passes. Next, to discuss draft ordinance relative to maintenance of City sidewalks.

C. Cohen: Discharge (Move that we fix City sidewalks next week!)

Chair Hapworth: 4 in favor; 1 opposed. Next, Cultural Council Liaison. Not certain what happened. Error to correct to take recommendation to Council. Take action on January 6th.

C. Varela: Motion for it to remain.

Chair Hapworth: All in favor? Passes. Next, Trash pick-up/ street sweeping. C. W-F, questions?

C. W-F: There are questions for the Engineering department. Keep in committee.

Chair Hapworth: All in favor? Passes. Next, Public Art Director brought recommendation for interpretive signage in Council Chambers.

C. W-F: Important to stay in committee.

Chair Hapworth: All in favor? Passes. Next, relocation of the Andrew Jackson portrait. Still in committee to find permanent location.

C. W-F: Motion to carry forward.

Chair Hapworth: All in favor? Passes. Next, Lucy Sprague wants to meet to discuss street sweeping signs.

C> W-F: Much discussion. Working on this. Motion to discharge.

Chair Hapworth: C. W-F motions to discharge. All in favor? Passes.

C. Cohen: Motion to adjourn.

On the motion of C. Cohen, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

(Chairperson)