

City of Salem, Massachusetts



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The City Council Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs

met remotely via zoom on June 8th 2022 at 6:00 P.M.

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

June 2nd at 6:34 P.M.

(This meeting is being recorded)

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT WERE: Councillor Dominguez **Also in Attendance:** COW: C Morsillo, C Merkl, C McCarthy C Hapworth City Of Salem:
Jenna Ide (Remote) David Knowlton, Anna Freedman

SUBJECT(S)

- Ordinance Amending Water Rates FY 2023
- Ordinance Amending Sewer Rates FY 2023
- Ordinance Amending Solid Waste Rates FY 2023
- Resolution to accept Grants from Energy and Environmental Affairs for Improvements to the Forest River Park for the Forest River Outdoor Recreation & Nature Center

C Cohen moved to take the agenda out of order with the Resolution first; Seconded by C Varela; Hand vote 4/0

Resolution to accept Grants from Energy and Environmental Affairs for Improvements to the Forest River Park for the Forest River Outdoor Recreation & Nature Center

C Riccardi noted there was a resolution submitted in front of the Council last week that must be delivered to the state by June 16th in order to receive up to \$750,000 in federal and water conservation fund grant assistance, specifically for use with the Forest River Park Project. C McCarthy had questioned the language as drafted in the resolution around the pool usage, and due to timing of when the resolution was submitted to council and when the parks commission set the usage and rates confirmation was needed. He was speaking with the Parks and Rec Department, the Legal Department and Jenna Ide. The questions were still not answered but understanding that a vote needs to be taken by the 16th, he requested the matter be sent back to the council. Discussion can continue on the council floor if needed.

C Cohen moved that the matter be sent back to council with no recommendation. Seconded by C Varela; Hand Vote 4/0 matter passes

Ordinance Amending Water Rates FY 2023 & Ordinance Amending Sewer Rates FY 2023 & Ordinance Amending Solid Waste Rates FY 2023

D Knowlton noted the increase to the water and sewer rates for FY 2023 as discussed during the department budget process (2.35%) and an increase to the solid waste rates of 2.5%, which is commensurate with the increase in our contract with Waste Management.