

City of Salem, Massachusetts
Office of the City Clerk

Ilene Simons
City Clerk



Room 1
City Hall

March 7, 2023
Revised: March 8, 2023

REVISED

(Public Testimony relative to content has been revised)

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

The Salem City Council will hold its regular meeting in person on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, 93 Washington Street, 2nd floor for the purpose of discussing any and all business.

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Very truly yours,

ATTEST:

ILENE SIMONS
CITY CLERK

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City Ordinance Sections 2-2028 through 2-2033.”**

CITY OF SALEM
MARCH 9, 2023
REGULAR MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held in-person on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of transacting any and all business. Notice of this meeting was posted on March 7, 2023, at 9:12 A.M and revised on March 8, 2023 at 4:13 P.M. This meeting is being recorded and is live on S.A.T.V.

Councillors absent:

Council President Stott presided.

Councillor moved to dispense with the reading of the record of the previous meeting. **VOTED**

President Stott requested that everyone please rise to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Public Testimony not to exceed 15 minutes. Public Testimony is not a public hearing or question and answer period. Sign up must occur 30 minutes prior to meeting. Signing up by email or phone will not be accepted anymore.

How to Sign Up:

You may participate in Public Testimony remotely or in-person.

You may sign up to speak using the following two (2) methods:

1. On-line form by using the link below:

<https://records.salem.com/Forms/PublicMeetingSpeaker>

This form is available beginning 6:30 P.M. on the Tuesday before the Thursday meeting and remains open until 6:30 P.M. on the day of the Council Meeting. This form requires information such as your name, address, subject matter, etc.

2. You may also sign the roster in the City Clerk's Office, Room #1 no later than 6:30 P.M. on the date of the meeting.

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REGULAR MEETING
HEARINGS

Order National Grid to install 1 pole on Bridge St. (pole #2972)

APPEARING IN FAVOR:

APPEARING IN OPPOSITION:

Action Contemplated

Councillor Watson-Felt

Moved to close the Public Hearing

Voted

Councillor Watson-Felt

Moved Granted

Voted

CITY OF SALEM
MARCH 9, 2023
REGULAR MEETING
HEARINGS

Order National Grid to install 1 pole on Bridge St. (pole #598)

APPEARING IN FAVOR:

APPEARING IN OPPOSITION:

Action Contemplated

Councillor Watson-Felt

Moved to close the Public Hearing

Voted

Councillor Watson-Felt

Moved Granted

Voted

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APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

Mayor's Appointment of Hannah Gathman 8 Brown St., to serve on the City of Salem Public Art Commission with the term to expire on March 9, 2024.

Councillor	Suspension of the Rules	Councillor	Object
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Action Contemplated

Councillor Watson-Felt	Held under the rules OR Moved Confirmation by RCV	Voted	
		Yeas Nays Abs	

Mayor's Appointment of Kristen Lindberg to serve as the City of Salem's Treasurer with the term to expire on January 31, 2025.

Councillor	Suspension of the Rules	Councillor	Object
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Action Contemplated

Councillor Prosniewski	Held under the rules OR Moved Confirmation by RCV	Voted	
		Yeas Nays Abs	

BOND ORDER: That the order of the City Council passed on July 9, 2020 and approved by the Mayor on July 13, 2020, as amended by the order of the City Council passed on January 27, 2022 and approved by the Mayor on January 31, 2022, authorizing an appropriation and borrowing in the aggregate amount of \$9,638,451 to fund the Fiscal Year 2021 General Fund Capital Improvement Program and allocating such authorized amount among various capital projects in specified amounts (“the FY21 CIP Loan Order”), is hereby further amended to replace the project designated in the FY21 CIP Loan Order as “Electrical – Riley Plaza LED Lighting - \$76,000” with the following project: “Electrical – Smart-Signal Project - \$76,000”; and that the FY21 CIP Loan Order is otherwise ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Councillor McClain	Refer to the Comm. on Admin. & Finance under the rules				Voted
	OR				
	Moved Adoption for first passage by RCV	Yea	Nay	Abs	

ORDERED: That the sum of Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$26,000.00) is hereby transferred and appropriated from the Receipts Reserved funds listed below to the Department of Public Services Burial Account (14112-5383) in accordance with the recommendation of Her Honor the Mayor.

From		To		Amount
2430-4800	R/Res Sale of Lots	14112-5383	DPS Burial	\$ 9,000.00
2431-4800	R/Res Sale of Vaults	14112-5383	DPS Burial	17,000.00
Total				\$ 26,000.00

Councillor McClain	Refer to the Comm. on Admin. & Finance under the rules	Voted
	OR	
	Moved Adoption	Voted

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MAYOR'S INFORMATIONAL PAGE
NONE

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MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

Councillor Varela

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty-three

An Ordinance amending an ordinance relative to sustainable food containers and packaging

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 14, Article VIII. – Sustainable Food Containers and Packaging is hereby amended by deleting Sec. 14-515. - Effective date in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

“Sec. 14-515. - Effective date.

This article shall take effect on September 4, 2023.”

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

Action Contemplated

Councillor Varela

Moved adoption for first passage

Voted

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Morsillo offered the following report for the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs to who it was referred the matter of granting of certain licenses, Tag Day, has considered said matter and would recommend: Granted

TAG DAY: Salem Little League May 13th, June 3rd and June 17th

Accept the Report Voted

Adopt the Recommendation Voted

Councillor Morsillo offered the following report for the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs to who it was referred the matter of an Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance and Map relative to Zoning, 67 Derby St has considered said matter and would recommend (Action unknown as meeting held after agenda deadline)

Accept the Report Voted

Adopt the Recommendation Voted

Councillor Hapworth offered the following report for the Committee on Community and Economic Development co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to who it was referred the matter of Haunted Happenings 2022 debriefing conversation with the goal of hearing data on visitors, revenues and expenses, as well as collecting feedback from organizers, programmers and operation personnel of the 2022 Halloween season. has considered said matter and would recommend Matter remain in Committee.

Accept the Report Voted

Adopt the Recommendation Voted

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Varela offered the following report for the Committee on Administration and Finance Public Health, Safety and Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to whom it was referred the matter of Noise Pollution, particularly car stereo and motorcycle noise, and any potential actions that may be able to be taken to help mitigate this issue in Salem has considered said matter and would recommend Matter Remain in Committee.

Accept the Report Voted

Adopt the Recommendation Voted

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

NONE

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PETITIONS

Request from B&S Fitness to hold a Road Race (Black Cat 10 & 20 Miler) and use of city streets March 26, 2023

Action Contemplated

Councillor Prosniewski

Moved Granted

Voted

The Following License Applications:

PUBLIC GUIDES:

Linda Dieter 188 Pine St., Danvers
 Neil O'Malley 6 Jacobs Lndg, Danvers
 Joseph Robert Steele 23 Wallis St., Beverly
 Kenneth Glover 20 Essex St. Beverly
 April Newman 367 West St. Reading
 Kimberly Bizjak 203 Washington St., Salem
 Theresa Giard 32 Lynde St. Salem
 Jobian Herron 12 ½ Dearborn St., Salem
 William Page 9 Pickering Way, Salem
 Danielle McMullen 28 Teele Rd., Bolten
 Christopher Padgett 2 Linden St., Salem

TAXI OPERATORS:

Francesco Caraballo Perez 13 Barnard Hawkes Ct., Marblehead
 Arison Sanchez 16 ½ Chase St., Salem
 Domingo Morgnta Abreu 5 Albion St., Salem
 Felix Nunez Arias 50 Childs St., Lynn
 Jose Suriel Alvarez 7 Roslyn St., Salem

TAXI CAB/LIMO'S

Salem Taxi 30 Federal St., Salem 3 Limo's

Action Contemplated

Councillor Morsillo

Moved Granted

Voted

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor Cohen

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 42, Section 50B – “Handicap Zone Limited Time” is hereby amended by adding the following:

Ocean Avenue - in front of #69 Ocean Ave. for a distance of twenty (20) feet, “Handicap Parking, Limited Time, Tow Zone”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

Action Contemplated

Councillor Cohen	Moved adoption for second passage	Voted
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Councillor Prosniewski

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three

An Ordinance Relative to Traffic

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Section 51 of Article V be amended by inserting the following:

Lafayette Street – Parking Prohibited on Certain Streets – Easterly side, from intersection with Palmer Street, extending southward for 45 feet.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

Action Contemplated

Councillor Prosniewski	Moved Adoption for second passage	Voted
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On the motion of Councillor Dominguez the meeting adjourned at

P.M.