CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting



City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso
City Council Chamber – 2nd Floor
Revere City Hall
Revere, MA 02151
Calendar
Monday, February 26, 2024, 6:00 PM

5:00PM Zoning Sub-Committee Meeting

Roll Call of Members

Salute to the Flag

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2.		Approval of the Journal of the Regular Meeting of February 12, 2024
3.	<u>24-056</u>	The Revere Police Traffic Division will appear before the City Council to discuss the regulations concerning small motorized bikes and scooters. The vehicles have become a serious safety hazard to drivers and pedestrians.
		Public Hearings
4.	24-081	Hearing called as ordered on the application of Arfaat S. Ali, 35 Francis Street, Revere, MA 02151 requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council to enable the appellant to modify an existing non-conforming 4-family structure by increasing the number of bedrooms in each unit at 35 Francis Street, Revere, MA 02151.
5.	<u>24-082</u>	Hearing called as ordered on the application of Jewel Saeed, 55 Berkshire Street, Swampscott, MA 01907, requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council to reconstruct and expand an existing non-conforming structure, by razing the existing structure and constructing a 5-story boutique hotel containing approximately 104 rooms and 32 parking spaces at 185 Squire Road, Revere, MA 02151.
6.	<u>24-061</u>	Hearing called as ordered on An Ordinance Providing for Interpretation Services for Public Meetings and Public Documents. (language attached)
7.	<u>24-083</u>	Hearing called as ordered on the application Kevin Roseberg, Expose Signs & Graphics, 3 Landing Lane, Hopedale, MA 01747 requesting permission to install awning at 250 Broadway, Revere, MA 02151.
8.	<u>24-064</u>	Hearing called as ordered on an emergency loan order in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the Oak Island / MBTA Railroad Crossing Project CWSRF No. 18903
9.	<u>24-084</u>	Hearing called as ordered on petition submitted by National Grid and Verizon to install a jointly owned pole on Washburn Avenue in accordance with Plan #29154577.
10.	<u>24-085</u>	Hearing called as ordered on a petition submitted by National Grid to install three poles on Washburn Avenue for future MBTA station supply primary risers in accordance with Plan #29154577.

Zoning Sub-Committee Report

- 11. **24-028** Zoro, LLC, 1040-1048 North Shore Road, Unit B2, Revere, MA 02151 requesting a special permit from the Revere City Council for the reconstruction, alteration, and extension of the preexisting non-conforming residential use and structure for the purpose of constructing a four-story, eleven unit residential apartment building at 1473 North Shore, Revere, MA 02151.
- 12. **24-022** Motion presented by Councillor Silvestri, Councillor McKenna: That the City Council order to a public hearing, A Zoning Ordinance Relative to Home-Based Childcare. (see attachment for language)

Communications

- 13. **24-086** Communication from the City Policy Writer and Analyst relative to an ordinance amending the term of the Superintendent of Public Works of the City of Revere.
- 14. **24-087** Communication from the City Auditor relative to the transfer of Free Cash to RHS Stabilization Fund.
- 15. **24-088** Communication from the City Auditor relative to the Certification of Free Cash June 30th 2023.

Motions

- 16. **24-089** Motion presented by Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the Mayor be requested to direct the City's Communications Liason to translate all pamphlets and public notification documents into Italian.
- Motion presented by Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the City Council award a Certificate of Commendation to Officer Peachey Chhom and Officer Kenan Resic in recognition of their quick thinking actions to track down an individual involved in a financial scam aimed at senior citizens and return thousands of dollars in stolen money to a local couple.
- 18. **24-091** Motion presented by Councillor Argenzio: That the City Council order to a public hearing, An Ordinance Further Amending Food Truck Regulations. (attached)
- 19. **24-092** Motion presented by Councillor Argenzio: That the Mayor and Chief of Infrastructure Don Ciaramella be requested to return the Water & Sewer discount program for seniors to last year's rate structure as follows: 30% discount for consumption of 30,000 gallons or less, 20% discount for consumption of 30,001 to 70,000 gallons, and 10% discount for consumption of 70,001 gallons or more.

- 20. **24-093** Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council President be requested to direct all sub-committee chairs to limit deliberations at their sub-committee meetings to only members of the sub-committee and the participating public so as not to violate the Open Meeting Law. When Councillors, who are not members of a sub-committee, are allowed by a sub-committee chair to deliberate at sub-committee meetings they are effectively creating a quorum of the City Council as opposed to a quorum of the sub-committee. The appropriate time for a Councillor to deliberate on a matter not within their sub-committee's jurisdiction is when a sub-committee report is given by a chair during a regular City Council meeting.
- 21. **24-094** Motion presented by Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the Mayor request the Traffic Division to investigate the feasibility of installing a speed bump on Oak Island Street as a matter of public safety.
- 22. **24-095** Motion presented by Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the Mayor request the Police Department to install a traffic camera at the end of Oak Island Street at Revere Beach Boulevard to deter motorists from making an illegal left turn from the boulevard onto Oak Island Street.
- 23. **24-096** Motion presented by Councillor Haas, Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor request the Police Department to place a portable speed radar sign (for the span of one month while switching directions after two weeks) on Winthrop Avenue along the stretch that runs from Sonny Myer's Park to Broadway to collect data to see if a digital speed limit sign is necessary.
- 24. **24-097** Motion presented by Council President Cogliandro: That the City Council award Certificates of Commendation to the Middle School Girls' Basketball team and their coach for winning this year's GBL Championship with an undefeated record of 12-0.

Late Communications

- 25. **24-098** Late Communication from Julie DeMauro requesting a letter from the City Council in support of the City of Revere's application to the American Infrastructure With Sustainability and Equity Grant Program.
- 26. **24-099** Late Communication from Brian Dakin, Senior Project Manager, LeftField providing an update on the Revere High School project schedule summary.