

CITY COUNCIL Regular Meeting

City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso City Council Chamber – 2nd Floor Revere City Hall Revere, MA 02151 Calendar Monday, March 11, 2024, 6:00 PM

5:00PM Legislative Affairs Sub-Committee Meeting

Salute to the Flag

1.

Roll Call of Members

- 2. Approval of the Journal of the Regular Meeting of February 26, 2024
- 3. **24-090** 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.
- 4. <u>24-097</u> 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.

Zoning Sub-Committee Report

5. **24-082** 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.

Legislative Affairs Sub-Committee Report

- 6. <u>24-017</u> An Ordinance Establishing a Stabilization Fund for Drainage, Stormwater, and Culvert Projects. (language attached)
- 7. <u>24-057</u> Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council approve the following special legislation: An Act Relative to City Employment and Candidacy in the Offices of Mayor, City Councillor-at-Large, Ward Councillor, and School Committee of the City of Revere. (attached)
- 8. **<u>24-058</u>** Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council approve the following special legislation: An Act Relative to the Filling of Vacancies in the Office of Mayor of the City of Revere. (attached)

9. **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.

Communications

- 10. **<u>24-101</u>** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Viviana Catano to the Board of Health.
- 11. <u>24-102</u> Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Bernardo Sepulveda to the Conservation Commission.
- 12. <u>24-103</u> Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Dr. Craig Castanza to the Planning Board.
- 13. **<u>24-104</u>** Communication from the City Auditor requesting an appropriation from the Cable Access Receipt Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying RevereTV's quarterly invoice.
- 14. **24-105** Communication from the City Audit requesting an appropriation in the amount necessary to fund the Unit A and Unit B Memorandum of Agreements covering the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Motions

- 15. <u>24-106</u> Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request National Grid to increase the wattage from 25 LED to 48 LED on Pole 2858 at 1 Orr Square in the interest of public safety.
- 16. <u>24-107</u> Motion presented by Councillor McKenna, Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to install traffic calming measures on Winthrop Avenue at the Senior Center to include a speed hump and flashing speed sign near the crosswalk. The existing crosswalk and small sign is not enough to deter speeding motorists. This is a matter of public safety for the seniors utilizing the Senior Center.
- 17. **24-108** Motion presented by Council President Cogliandro: That the City Council hold a meeting in Executive Session with the Mayor and City Solicitor pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) for the purpose of discussing the ongoing eminent domain litigation relative to the Wonderland site.
- 18. **24-109** Motion presented by Council President Cogliandro: That the Mayor request IT and Human Resources to repair or purchase a new employee ID badge printer. It is imperative that certain employees, elected officials, and board/commissions have a valid employee ID badge for proper identification at site visits.

- 19. **24-110** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the City Council submit a letter of opposition to MassDOT relative to the Bennington Street bike lane reconfiguration project. The Bennington Street project will eliminate one-lane of traffic in each direction negatively impacting the residents of Beachmont by narrowing the emergency evacuation route out of the neighborhood and nearby Winthrop, MA.
- 20. **24-111** Motion presented by Council President Cogliandro: That the Mayor request the Chief of Police to direct officers to issue parking violations on days in which the Parking Department does to have any Parking Control Officers on duty.
- 21. <u>24-112</u> Motion presented by Councillor Guarino-Sawaya: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to approve the installation of a flashing crosswalk sign at 308 Revere Street in the interest of public safety.