



City of Haverhill
City Council Minutes

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers, Room 202

Present – President Michitson, Councillors Scatamacchia, Barrett, Macek, Sullivan, Daly O’Brien, McGonagle and LePage.
Absent – Councillor Ryan
City Clerk – Linda L. Koutoulas

1. Approval of Records of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved.

2. Assignment of the minutes review for the next Meeting

Councillor Macek was assigned the minutes.

3. Communications from the Mayor

No Schedule

4. Utility Hearing(s) and Related Order(s)

Document 21, Petition from National Grid for electric conduits on Water st; Plan 15854772
POSTPONED TO MAR 4, 2014 since there was no representative from National Grid 21

ORDERED: Construct underground conduits on Water st, Plan 1584772
(see document for complete text)
POSTPONED TO MAR 4, 2014 21B

5. Appointments

Confirming Appointments:

Alison Colby-Campbell to the Harbor Commission, effective immediately and expires Feb. 25, 2015
CONFIRMED Yeas 8, Absent 1 1-M

Non-Confirming Appointments:

No Schedule

Resignations:

No Schedule

6. Petitions

Petitions:

Petition was received from National Grid requesting pole location near 127 White St; Plan 12721270
COUNCIL HEARING TO BE HELD MARCH 18, 2014 28

Applications:

Applications for Tag Days 2014:

Haverhill Girls Softball – April 27, 28
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 23B

New England Taekwondo Association – June 20, 21, 22
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 23C

Plaistow Lions Club
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 23D

Marine Corps League
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 23E

Annual License Renewals:

Hawker Peddlers License Renewals 2014:
No Schedule

Coin-Op License Renewals 2014:

Laundrodag, 200 Main St., 5 coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 7-U

Sunday Coin-Op License Renewals 2014:
Laundrodag, 200 Main St., 5 Sunday coin-ops
GRANTED Yeas 8, Absent 1 8-Q

Drainlayer Renewals 2014:

No Schedule

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7. Hearings and Related Orders:

Document 86-2013

Petition from Frank Franzone, Manager of Water Street Waterfront LLC requesting a Special Permit to develop property at 85 Water St., Assessor's Map 200, Block 4, Lot 3 consisting of 59 residential units to be sold as luxury condos to include an on-site parking garage. *Board of Appeals denied variances from this project. Recommendation from Planning Director William Pillsbury to Postpone Special Permit hearing until appeal of Board of Appeals variances is resolved*

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO POSTPONE TO DATE

NOT CERTAIN

Yeas 8, Absent 1

86/2013

Document 18/2013

Hearing was held on Petition from William Pillsbury, Economic Development Director and Planning Director requesting Zoning Hearing re: Technical Amendment to the Waterfront Zoning Ordinance recently passed by Council; with amendment to affect only Subzone H which is the area of the Ornstein site. The only changes will be to delete the "P" (permitted) use for multifamily housing and replace it with an "S" (special permit). A favorable recommendation was received from the Planning Board and Planning Director.

HEARING OPENED

ANDREW HERLIHY REPRESENTED WILLIAM PILLSBURY, PLANNING DIRECTOR

HEARING CLOSED

18/2013

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

An Ordinance Relating to Zoning

Table of Uses for the Waterfront District

Be It Ordained by the Haverhill City Council that Chapter 255 entitled Zoning, as amended, be further amended in Section 255, Article XVI Waterfront Zoning District Table 1: TABLE OF USES FOR THE WATERFRONT DISTRICTS, as follows:

Section 255, ARTICLE XVI WATERFRONT ZONING, Table I – By amending Table 1:TABLE OF USES FOR THE WATERFRONT DISTRICT, as follows, "multifamily dwelling" to be amended by replacing the "P" for permitted with an "S" for special permit in **subzone H only** (see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

18B/2013

8. Motions and Orders

Ordinances (File 10 Days)

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Parking

ADD 1 Handicap Parking Space – 21 Columbia Pk. (see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

12F

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Parking

ADD 1 Handicap Parking Space – 15 Forest Ave. (see document for complete text)

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

12G

9. Unfinished Business of preceding Meetings

Document 9-E

Communication from Councillor Michitson requesting to have Robert Ward, Deputy DPW Director, give an update on the Haverhill Landfill Closure and Combined Sewer Outflow (CSO) projects

POSTPONED TO MAR 11, 2014

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Document 11-B

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

An Ordinance Relating to Salaries

AFSCME Group –Wastewater Treatment Plant)

Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Haverhill and AFSCME, Council 93, Local 949/AFL-CIO (See document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

11B

Document 12-D

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Parking

Establish 1 Handicap Parking Space – 50 Howard St. (see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

12D

February 25, 2014

Document 12-E

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER 240

An Ordinance Relating to Parking

Establish 1 Handicap Parking Space – 103 Bellevue Ave. (see document for complete text)

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

12E

10. Communications and Reports from City Officers and Employees

Monthly Reports:

No Schedule

Communications from Councillors:

Communication was received from Councillor McGonagle requesting the removal of a handicap parking space at 17-19 Arch Avenue as it is no longer needed.

REFERRED TO PLANNING

Yeas 8, Absent 1

9-H

Communication was received from Councillor Macek and LePage requesting a discussion regarding Healthy Pharms, Inc Medical Use of Marijuana Dispensary application.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR MACEK TO SEND LETTERS TO MASS. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL REQUESTING INVESTIGATION OF HEALTHY PHARMS INC APPLICATION.

Yeas 8, Absent 1

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Communications from City Employees:

No Schedule

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE AND MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE HAVERHILL SUPERIOR OFFICER’S GROUP.

SUSPENSION GRANTED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

11C

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE

CHAPTER

An Ordinance Relating to Salaries

Haverhill Superior Officer’s Group

(see document for complete text)

Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Haverhill and the Superior Officers Group

PLACED ON FILE for at least 10 days

Yeas 8, Absent 1

11C

11. Resolutions and Proclamations

ORDERED: Resolution of the Haverhill City Council

A resolution by the City of Haverhill to create a state-authorized cultural district for at least (5) years to be named: **River City Cultural District** (see document for complete text)

A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION WAS GIVEN BY ANDREW HERLIHY, CDBG DIRECTOR AND SVEN AMIRIAN, PRESIDENT OF THE HAVERHILL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. SENATOR KATHLEEN IVES, WHO SERVES ON THE MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL, SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION. THE APPROVAL OF THE DESIGNATION IS REQUIRED AS PART OF THE APPLICATION. THE CITY HAS PARTNERED WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN THIS ENDEAVOR. *

PASSED

Yeas 8, Absent 1

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12. Council Committee Reports and Announcements

Council Committee Reports:

Councillor LePage presented the report of the Administration & Finance Committee meeting held on February 20th, regarding Doc. 51-B/2013, Order: cost of living (COLA) adjustment base for City retirees and Doc. 15 – Review of the City Council Rules and Regulations.

COUNCILLOR LEPAGE STATED THAT THE COMMITTEE HAS ASKED THE MAYOR TO STUDY THE FINANCIAL IMPACTS OF A \$1,000 INCREASE IN THE COLA BASE AND REPORT HIS FINDINGS TO THE COMMITTEE AT THE NEXT ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 20, 2014.

THE RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE COUNCIL WERE REVIEWED AND ACCEPTED WITHOUT ANY CHANGES.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 o’clock P.M.

Yeas 8, Absent 1

Attest: Linda Koutoulas

City Clerk

*Document 29- Handout from Sven Amirian, PowerPoint presentation