



CITY OF HAVERHILL  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 7:00 PM

Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer St, Room 202

In-Person/Remote Meeting: <https://meet.google.com/jgp-tyeg-zhu>

Present: Councilors Jordan, Basiliere, Diodati, Sullivan, Ferreira, Lewandowski, Toohey, McGonagle, LePage and Rogers

Remote: Councilor Michitson

Absent: None

City Clerk: Kaitlin M. Wright

Asst. City Clerk: Rose Leonard Flynn

**1. OPENING PRAYER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:**

COUNCILOR ROGERS STATED SHE NEEDED MORE TIME TO REVIEW THE MINUTES.

**4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**

PRESIDENT JORDAN ASSIGNED THE MINUTES TO COUNCILOR BASILIERE

**5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

**6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS TO INTRODUCE AN INDIVIDUAL(S) TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL:**

- 6.1. Councilor Lewandowski requests to introduce Maureen McGonagle from *Rebuilding Together Greater Haverhill* to talk about the upcoming National Rebuilding Day on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> and requests Council waive all permit fees 5-g

\*Councilor McGonagle left the meeting during this agenda item \*

Maureen McGonagle addressed the council. She stated she was here tonight with Sara Cummings, Treasurer of Rebuilding Together Greater Haverhill. She noted that National Rebuilding Day is April 25<sup>th</sup>, and for over 30 years Rebuilding Together has helped disabled individuals, low-income families and veterans remain safely in their homes providing maintenance and improvements at no cost. We respectfully request that the recycling station fees be waived; no extended hours will be needed, as cleanup is anticipated to be completed by 1PM. She stated if anyone has any questions they can call the Rebuilding Together Office at 978-469-0800 or email [rebuildingtogether@rbtgh-phoenix@outlook.com](mailto:rebuildingtogether@rbtgh-phoenix@outlook.com).

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI TO APPROVE AND WAIVE ALL FEES, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY

PASSED YEAS 10, NAYS 0, ABSENT 1 (MCGONAGLE)

\*Councilor McGonagle returned to the meeting\*

**7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- REQUESTS UNDER COUNCIL RULE 28:**

**8. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES:**

**9. UTILITY HEARING(S) AND RELATED ORDER(S):**

- 9.1. Document 7-C – Petition from National Grid and Verizon, requesting a joint pole location for Lincoln Ave WR# 31279266

*Filed on March 10, 2026*

**President Jordan opened the hearing.**

Dave Boucher, National Grid, 1101 Turnpike Street, North Andover, MA addressed the council. He noted this proposal is to install two new utility pole locations on Lincoln Avenue for devices that quickly isolate outages and restore power faster, improving reliability.



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President Jordan asked if anyone wanted to speak in favor. No one spoke.  
President Jordan asked if anyone wanted to speak in opposition. No one spoke.  
President Jordan closed the hearing.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO APPROVE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY  
PASSED YEAS 11, NAYS 0, ABSENT 0

**10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:**

**11. APPOINTMENTS:**

- 11.1. Confirming Appointments: -
- 11.2. Non-Confirming Appointments:

11.2.1. *License Commission-* Elizabeth Laliberty, 31 Whitney Street,  
which takes effect on June 1, 2026 and expires May 31, 2029 12-f

MOTION BY COUNCILOR SULLIVAN TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE  
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- 11.3. Constables
- 11.4. Resignations

11.4.1. *License Commission,* Laura Angus- effective June 1, 2026 6-e

Mayor Barrett thanked Laura for her service.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE  
PASSED YEAS 11, NAYS 0, ABSENT 0

**12. PETITIONS:**

12.1. **CCSP-26-3** - Attorney Jonathan Stark-Sachs of Johnson and Borenstein, LLC on behalf of client, Maryam Salehi-Ala-Yamin, requests approval to operate "Mariam's Cottage" a family run bed and breakfast at 421 East Broadway allowed with a special permit in the RR (Rural Residential) zoning district and seeks to host small-scale weddings and similar outdoor events of up to 50 guests packaged with overnight stays 21-d

*Hearing scheduled for June 2, 2026*

MOTION BY COUNCILOR ROGERS, SECOND BY COUNCILOR SULLIVAN  
PASSED TO HEAR ON JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAS 11, NAYS 0, ABSENT 0

12.2. Zoning hearing request from Attorney Paul Magliochetti on behalf of client, *Haverhill STEM, LLC (Haverhill STEM)* for a zoning change to allow the licensing and operation of Marijuana Social Consumption Establishments 13-b



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*Refer to Planning Board*

Asst. City Clerk Leonard-Flynn stated refer to Planning Board and City Solicitor.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR BASILIERE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE

PASSED TO REFER TO PLANNING BOARD AND CITY SOLICITOR YEAS 11, NAYS 0, ABSENT 0

12.3. Applications Handicap Parking Sign: *with Police approval*

12.4. Amusement/Event Application: *with Police approval*

12.4.1. EVNT- 26-7 - Anastasia Dimopoulos for *Hellenic Orthodox Community* requesting to hold a dance fundraiser from 7 PM to 12 AM on Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> at *Holy Apostles Saints Peter and Paul* at 154 Winter St 29-d

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY

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12.4.2. EVNT-26-3 - James Carbone for *CiderFeast Haverhill* requesting to hold CiderFeast tasting event from 5:15 to 8:15 PM on Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> at *Harbor Place Boardwalk* 29-e

*Pending License Commission Approval*

\*moved to beginning of agenda\*

James Carbone addressed the council. He thanked the council for their support for the past six years. He highlighted new food vendors, cider makers from multiple states, and expressed excitement for the event's continued growth.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE TO APPROVE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR ROGERS

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12.4.3. EVNT-26-2 - Michael Rossi for *Greater Haverhill Arts Association* requesting to hold Annual Greater Haverhill Arts Association Art Festival from 9AM to 3PM on Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup> at the Bradford Common and requests any additional fees be waived 29-f

MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE TO APPROVE AND FEES BE WAIVED, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE

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12.5. Auctioneer License:

12.6. Tag Days: *with Police approval*

12.6.1. TAGD-26-5 - *Haverhill High School Boys Lacrosse Team,* May 2, 2026 14-h

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12.7. One Day Liquor License –with HPD approval

12.8. ANNUAL LICENSE RENEWALS:

- 12.8.1. Hawker Peddlers License- Fixed location – w/Police approval
- 12.8.2. Coin-Op License Renewals – with Police approval
- 12.8.3. Christmas Tree Vendor – with Police approval
- 12.8.4. Taxi Driver Licenses: with Police approval
- 12.8.5. Taxi/Limousine License with Police approval
- 12.8.6. Junk Dealer /Collector License - with Police approval
- 12.8.7. Pool/Billiard
- 12.8.8. Bowling
- 12.8.9. Sunday Bowling
- 12.8.10. Buy & Sell Secondhand Articles with Police approval
- 12.8.11. Buy & Sell Secondhand Clothing with Police approval
- 12.8.12. Pawnbroker license - with police approval
- 12.8.13. Fortune Teller with - Police approval
- 12.8.14. Buy & Sell Old Gold – with Police approval
- 12.8.15. Roller Skating Rink
- 12.8.16. Sunday Skating
- 12.8.17. Exterior Vending Machines/Redbox Automated Retail, LLC
- 12.8.18. Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars with Police approval

13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS):

14.1. Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic: Amend Ch 240, be further Amended by **ADDING** the following to § 240-85 schedule B: Parking Restrictions and Prohibitions:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Regulations</u>	<u>Hours/ Days</u>
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Temple St:

In front of #101	No Parking (except for 1-24 hour handicap parking space)	24-Hours
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**File 10 Days**

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MOTION BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE  
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14.2. Ordinance re: Vehicles and Traffic: Amend Ch 240, be further Amended by **ADDING** the following to § 240-85 schedule B: Parking Restrictions and Prohibitions:



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Pentucket St:

In front of #24

No Parking  
(except for 1-24 hour  
handicap parking space)

24-Hours

File 10 Days

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MOTION BY COUNCILOR DIODATI TO PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE  
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**15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILORS:**

15.1. Councilor LePage submits the minutes and recommendations of the Administration and Finance Committee meeting held on April 6, 2026, for acceptance and approval 18-p

Councilor LePage read the minutes into the record.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE RECEIVE THESE MINUTES AND TO PLACE ON FILE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR TOOHEY  
PASSED YEAS 11, NAYS 0, ABSENT 0

Councilor LePage stated I would like to make two motions that came from the review that were mentioned in the minutes.

Rule 28: The City Clerk in cooperation with the Council President shall prepare a list of all matters to come before the City Council at each meeting in accordance with the established order of business and shall deliver **electronically** to the Council office for each Councilor, a copy of the same on the same date that the agenda is prepared. ~~and to digitally send a copy to each Councilor.~~ **In the event a Councilor desires the papers or portions of the papers to be delivered in paper form the Councilor shall so inform the City Clerk. Once provided the City Clerk shall not be required to provide paper copies of the same materials to the Councilor for future meetings on which the same matters appear.**

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE  
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Councilor LePage the second motion from the subcommittee is:

Rule 12: Striking sufficiency of vote and adding the 3-page addendum that was provided by the City Solicitor. \*spoke to Councilor LePage next day and he noted he misspoke should read 4-page addendum which was provided in agenda packet\*

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR MCGONAGLE  
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**16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:**



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**17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

- 17.1. Mayor Barrett requests to present a proclamation:  
Recognizing April 24<sup>th</sup> as Armenian Holy Martyr's Day  
in the City of Haverhill 11-e

Councilor Basiliere read the proclamation into the record.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR BASILIERE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE

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- 17.2. Mayor Barrett and Councilor LePage, wish to present a proclamation:  
Recognizing the month of April as Donate Life Month 11-f

Councilor LePage read the proclamation into the record. He noted that my entire family are organ donors, including my sons Christopher and Sean. The bandana I wear every day is one my son used to wear, and the color orange holds special meaning, as it was Christopher's favorite.

MOTION BY COUNCILOR LEPAGE, SECOND BY COUNCILOR DIODATI

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**18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY:**

**20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST:**

**21. ADJOURN:**

MOTION BY COUNCILOR SULLIVAN TO ADJOURN, SECOND BY COUNCILOR LEWANDOWSKI

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**ADJOURN: 19:41**