



**CITY OF HAVERHILL  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

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

**In-Person/Remote Meeting**

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Present – President Jordan, Councillors Barrett, Bevilacqua, Sullivan, Michitson, McGonagle, Rogers, and Toohey

Absent – Councillor Lewandowski

City Clerk – Kaitlin Wright

**\*\*Due to inclement weather the March 14, 2023 Council Meeting was held by remote.\*\***

- 1. OPENING PRAYER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING**
- 4. ASSIGNMENT OF THE MINUTES REVIEW FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Councillor Barrett was assigned the minutes.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

- 5.1. Mayor Fiorentini requests for ANSER Advisory Consultants to address the City Council at the Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting and they will give a presentation of an allocation plan for projects receiving ARPA funds 9-G

Mayor Fiorentini stated hired an outside firm, ANSER, for an ARPA allocation plan. Had input from public, department heads, a survey with \$410 million in requests. Not able to do all we want, would like to prioritize things that will last a lifetime with capital projects. Want input and stress this is flexible, can also get grants.

Desi Navarro, Director ANSER, gave presentation to the Council which included the ARPA objective, overview, allocation plan overview, community engagement, ranking and compliance, compliance analysis, draft allocation plan, next steps and questions. Haverhill received \$37.5 million of the \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill. See presentation for specific details.

Councillor comments included setting up a possible mental health clinic; modular classrooms; advanced manufacturing; asked what happens if funds allocated are not used; asked if public health nurses and mental health funded through 2026; affordable housing for senior citizens and veteran's; how will city fund after program ends; is there a plan for premium payments for fire and police; is street paving an eligible expense; why is Goecke deck repairs included since it will be torn down; is ranking of projects being shared; how much has already been spent so far.

Desi Navarro stated modular classrooms are in discussion; if project doesn't take allocated funds, it will go to next in line; public health funded only through 2024; affordable housing has to be specified by the city; premium payments did not score



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high so not included; paving is eligible use under loss category and APRA flex category; Goecke deck repairs were already expended (\$82K approximately); project ranking can be shared and will look into; an additional report is due this quarter but at this time at approximately \$5.6 million.

Mayor Fiorentini closed presentation stating will continue to be flexible and apply for grants, etc. and for the Council to continue to reach out to him, the Chief of Staff and Desi.

- 5.2. Mayor Fiorentini presents an Order submitted by the Haverhill School Dept giving authorization to submit a Statement of Interest (SOI) to the MSBA regarding the John G Whittier School Project 33

- 5.2.1. Order – Authorization to submit A Statement of Interest (SOI) to the MSBA regarding the John G Whittier School Project

Mayor Fiorentini stated that he submitted this on behalf of the school department and school committee and wanted to be as candid as possible and frank that it is extremely unlikely that the MSBA will allow this. Have indicated repeatedly that will be doing Consentino school.

Asst. Superintendent Pfifferling stated wanted to keep this in front of the MSBA, letting them know the need for a new school regardless of having one in the pipeline and

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Toohey*

*PASSED*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

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- 5.3. Mayor Fiorentini submits the following Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and a Salary Ordinance between the City of Haverhill and the Teamsters Water Dept Union Group:

- 5.3.1. Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Haverhill and the Water Dept Group-Teamsters Local #170 34

- 5.3.2. Ordinance re: Salaries – Water Group File 10 days

*Motion by Councillor Bevilacqua, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED Placed on file*

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, 1 Absent*

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

6.1. Council President Jordan requests to introduce and recognize Dan Tanguay, the Haverhill High School boys' swim team coach, on the team's first MVC swim championship in 43 years

President Jordan introduced Head Coach Dan Tanguay who is first-year swim coach at the high school where the boy's swim team won MVC championship and presented the team and coach with a City Council Citation along with a citation from Mayor Fiorentini.

Dan Tanguay highlighted the teams' accomplishments during the swim season, wanted to give a shout out to the six seniors who's leadership made this season's win possible. First time in 43 years won the conference title and were undefeated. 19-I

**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):**

**10. HEARINGS AND RELATED ORDERS:**

**11. APPOINTMENTS:**

11.1. **Confirming Appointments:**

11.2. **Non-Confirming:**

11.3. **Resignations:**

**12. PETITIONS:**

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

12.2. **Amusement/Event Application** - *with Police approval*

12.2.1. Erin Padilla/*Creative Haverhill*, requests *fees be waived* for event at Cogswell Art Space, 351 South Main st, May 11<sup>th</sup> previously approved by City Council on March 7<sup>th</sup>

*Motion by Councillor Toohey, second Councillor McGonagle*

*PASSED fees waived Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

12.3. **Auctioneer License:**

12.4. **Tag Days:** *with Police approval*

12.5. **One Day Liquor License:**

12.6. **Annual License Renewals:**

12.6.1. **Hawker Peddlers License 2023 - Fixed location** – *with approvals*

12.6.2. **Coin-Op License Renewals** - *pending Police approval*



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12.6.3. **Christmas Tree Vendor – with Police approval**

12.6.4. **Taxi Driver Licenses for 2023: with Police approval**

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| 12.6.4.1. | TDL 23-1, David McLaughlin, 15 Grand View rd     | 30-D |
| 12.6.4.2. | TDL 23-4, Lynn Lassar, 4 F Street Merrimac       | 30-E |
| 12.6.4.3. | TDL 23-5, Robert David, 4 F Street Merrimac      | 30-F |
| 12.6.4.4. | TDL 23-11, Peter Loring, 235a River st           | 30-G |
| 12.6.4.5. | TDL 23-13, Mandi Hickey, 181 Washington st       | 30-H |
| 12.6.4.6. | TDL 23-15, Lee McNulty, 31 Lincoln st, N.Andover | 30-I |
| 12.6.4.7. | TDL 23-18, Ann Marie Lindberg, 27 Observatory av | 30-J |

*Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Rogers*

**PASSED**

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

12.6.5. **Taxi/Limousine License with Police approval:**

12.6.6. **Junk Dealer License with Police approval**

12.6.7. **Pool Tables**

12.6.8. **Sunday Pool**

12.6.9. **Bowling**

12.6.10. **Sunday Bowling**

12.6.11. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Articles with Police approval**

- 12.6.11.1. Marcus Bunch, *Krispycleankicks* at 108 River st

*Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor Bevilacqua*

**PASSED**

*Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1*

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12.6.12. **Buy & Sell Second Hand Clothing**

12.6.13. **Pawnbroker license**

12.6.14. **Fortune Teller - pending Police approval**

12.6.15. **Buy & Sell Old Gold**

12.6.16. **Roller Skating Rink**

12.6.17. **Sunday Skating**

12.6.18. **Exterior Vending Machines/Redbox Automated Retail, LLC**

12.6.19. **Limousine/Livery License/Chair Cars with Police approval**

### 13. MOTIONS AND ORDERS:

- 13.1. Order – transfer \$91,275.00 from Budget Reserve to City Clerk Election to fund the Consentino Debt Exclusion special election



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Councillor Bevilacqua wanted to note the amount is an increase from what he thought was to be \$75K, this could have been on the November ballot instead of a special election. Money could have been saved and hired additional fire/police/teacher.

*Motion by Councillor Barrett, second Councillor McGonagle*

*PASSED Yeas 7, Nays 1 (Bevilacqua), Absent 1 7-M*

13.2. Order – transfer \$50,000.00 from Public Works Admin Salaries and \$60,000.00 from Highway Salaries & Wages to Parks Dept Equipment Lease for the purchase of a new woodchipper for tree removal and trimming

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 7-N*

#### 14. ORDINANCES (FILE 10 DAYS)

#### 15. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS:

15.1. Councillor Barrett requests to recognize March 25 2023 as *Greek Independence Day*

Councillor Barrett recognized March 25<sup>th</sup> as Greek Independence Day and announced flag raising at City Hall on Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30 pm in the Mayor's office.

Council Vice President read the Proclamation from the mayor's office.

*Motion by Councillor Michitson, second Councillor Barrett*

*ADOPTED Placed on File Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 8-N*

#### 16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF PRECEDING MEETING:

#### 17. RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

#### 18. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Jordan announced annual Haverhill Exchange Club St. Patrick's Breakfast Friday morning at Haverhill Country Club. Tickets are still available.

#### 19. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE STUDY

#### 20. LONG TERM MATTERS STUDY LIST

#### 21. ADJOURN :

*Motion by Councillor Sullivan, second Councillor Barrett*

*PASSED Yeas 8, Nays 0, Absent 1 Adjourned 20:27 PM*