

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAWRENCE CITY COUNCIL

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 06, at 7:00 p.m.

Location: City Council Chambers, Lawrence City Hall,
200 Common Street, Lawrence, MA

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting will be hybrid, allowing participation both in person in the City Council Chamber and remotely.

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AGENDA

- Roll Call
- Moment of Silence
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Minutes
 - 02/17/2026 Regular Meeting
 - 06/16/2026 Regular Meeting
 - 07/07/2026 Regular Meeting
 - 08/05/2026 Regular Meeting
 - 09/15/2026 Regular Meeting
- Public Participation

Public Hearings:

- 274/26 Request for Zoning Change – 46 Winthrop Avenue – Elias Kanj
- 362/26 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment to create a new zoning overlay district to be known as Highway Access 2 Overlay District (HA-2) – 6 Chickering LLC (Juan Yepez & Luis Yepez, Managers) c/o John T. Smolak, Esq.
- 408/25 Install JO Pole on Winthrop Avenue near Durso Avenue [REF # 31197508] – Dave Johnson, National Grid
- 409/25 Install JO Pole on Marlborough Street near South Union Street [REF # 31197530] – Dave Johnson, National Grid
- 445/25 Install JO Pole on East Haverhill Street near Young Avenue [REF # 31197559] – Dave Johnson, National Grid
- 446/25 Install JO Pole on Ames Street near Lowell Street [REF # 31204858] – Dave Johnson, National Grid
- 464/25 Install JO Pole on Beacon Street near Andover Street [REF # 31204878] – Dave Johnson, National Grid

Matters Pending a Public Hearing:

- 103B/22 Request to change Ordinances-(Program Coordinator for Economic Development)-Ord. 2.104.060(Human Rights Executive Director)-Mayor Brian A. DePeña.
- 200/21 4 Point Stop Signs-East Haverhill and Berkeley Street-Counc. De La Cruz-Communication received from City Attorney on June 29, 2022 regarding report received from City Engineer on June 28, 2022.
- 112/22 Fifteen Minute Parking-83 Warwick Street [Mon-Fri 8am-6pm]-Nereida Madera-Pub. Hrg. Ordered
- 271/22 Stop Signs on Salem Street (East and West Bound Directions) at the Foster St. Intersection-President Laplante
- 429/23 Discontinue the Use of a Portion of Bay State Road as a Public Way [from McFarlin St to Jordan St] – Daniel McCarthy, Land Use Planner
- 437/24 Handicapped Parking, 219 Prospect Street – Cornelio Villa Sanchez [Need Measurements]
- 440/24 Child Care Parking, 6 Knox St. – Counc. Ana Levy [Need Measurements]
- 573/24 Stop Sign, High Street at Highlawn Ave – Counc. Fidelina Santiago
- 46/25 Rezoning a Portion of City Land off of Bay State Road and Jordan Street from General Industrial (I-2) to Open Space Recreation (OCR) – Dan McCarthy, Acting Planning Director

- 341/26 An Act Compelling City Agencies to Adhere to Chapter 9.25 of the Municipal Code (Surveillance Technology)
– Councilor Marc Laplante [Public Hearing Anticipated for 10/20/2026]
- 323/26 Create Ordinance: Annual Review and Renewal of Residential and Handicapped Parking Spaces
– Counc. Gregory Delrosario
- 324/26 Create Ordinance: Small Waste Hauler Registration and Accountability Ordinance – Counc. Gregory Delrosario
- 367/25 Resident Parking Only - Jackson Terrace [between Jackson Court and Newbury Street] – Counc. Wendy Luzon
- 368/25 Resident Parking Only - Albion Street – Counc. Wendy Luzon
- 381/25 Resident Parking - Bromfield Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 389/25 Resident Parking West Hawley Street area – Counc. Vice President Stephany Infante and Joseph Quartarone
- 405/25 Resident Parking - 6 – 8 Monmouth Street – Councilor Wendy Luzon
- 406/25 Resident Parking - Blakelin Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 442/25 Resident Parking - Wendell Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 447/25 School Parking Only - Chestnut Street [North Side] – Timothy Houten, City Attorney
- 448/25 School Parking Only - Chestnut Street [South Side] – Timothy Houten, City Attorney
- 449/25 School Parking Only - Haverhill Street [South Side] – Timothy Houten, City Attorney
- 474/25 Resident Parking - Lansdowne Court – Councilor Vivian Marmol
- 494/25 Resident Parking Only - Section of Tewksbury Street – Counc. Vice President Stephany Infante, Susan Krawiec and
Tewksbury Street Residents
- 100/25 Resident Parking Only – Washington Street [from Manchester St to Lake St] – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 101/25 Resident Parking Only – Lake Street – Councilor Gregory Delrosario
- 322/25 Resident Parking – Cypress Avenue – Karen Hatem
- 256/26 Resident Parking - Greenwood Street – Councilor Vivian Marmol [OPH]
- 302/26 Handicapped Parking - 66 Elm Street – Juan Benitez
- 303/26 Handicapped Parking - 36 Highlawn Avenue – Josefina Velasquez
- 306/26 Handicapped Parking - 83 Warren Street – Migdalia Lopez
- 338/26 Child Care Parking - 63 Buswell Street – Johanna Mordan
- 380/26 Remove Handicapped Parking - 65 Union Street – Rosa Lia Perez DeMoscoso
- 381/26 Remove Handicapped Parking - 32 Warren Street – Maribel Rivera Colon
- 382/26 Remove Handicapped Parking - 124 Trenton Street – Felipe Hidalgo

Communication from Mayor, City Officials & City Attorney:

- 403/26 Adoption of a “Vote of No Confidence” Resolution regarding Mayor Brian A. DePena – Council President
Rodriguez, Vice President Levy and Councilor Infante
- 404/26 Discussion regarding Complaints or Charges issued by the MA Attorney General concerning a Public Officer –
Counc. President Jeovanny Rodriguez

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Budget and Finance Committee:

- 388/26 Authorization to enter into 30 Year Non-Aviation Land Lease with DWSI - Francisco Urena, Airport Manager
- 389/26 Auth to Expend [\$767,000] Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) Multi-Year Safe and
Successful Youth Initiatives (SSYI) Grant – Rosa Shepherd, Director of Support Services, Lawrence Police
Department
- 390/26 Auth to Expend [\$139,805] MA Dept of Public Health grant for Active Transportation, Safe Routes to School and
Parks & Open Spaces – Elecia Miller, Coordinator, Mayor’s Health Task Force
- 391/26 Auth to Expend [\$6,000] Health Care for All grant for Community Diabetes Education – Elecia Miller, Coordinator,
Mayor’s Health Task Force
- 392/26 Auth to Expend [\$641,224] Centers for Disease Control (CDC) grant awarded to MHTF/Lawrence REACH – Martha
Holt, Project Coordinator, Mayor’s Health Task Force
- 393/26 Bond Authorization [\$7,861,647] for the Roof Replacement Project at the Frost School – Jason Cabrera, Chief
Financial Officer, Lawrence Public Schools [OPH]
- 394/26 Bond Authorization [\$9,099,330] for the Roof Replacement Project at the South Lawrence East School – Jason
Cabrera, Chief Financial Officer, Lawrence Public Schools [OPH]

Housing and Economic Development Committee:

- 288B/04 Surplus Property- 124 Myrtle St. – Tax Map 170, Lot 122 - [to be ref.] - Laiza Lizardo St. Onge, Asset Officer [W]
- 195A/08 Surplus Property -7 Florence Street [Tax Map 190, Lot 81] – Dan McCarthy, Land Use Planner [W]
- 69B/09 Disposition - 300-306 Prospect Street – [Tax Map 90, Lot 37] - Dan McCarthy, Land Use Planner [W]
- 364/10 Housing Receivership Program – a proposal to initiate – Council. Laplante [W]
- 274/12 Conditions at 77 South Union Street – Council. Laplante [W]
- 276B/13 Surplus Property - 25 Oxford Street [Tax Map 165, Lot 52] – Dan McCarthy, Land Use Planner [W]
- 41/14 Acceptance of Attorney General Grant (\$80,000.00) J. Barnes, CDD [W]
- 342/14 Fire Station – corner of Oxford and Lowell Sts – discussions on maintenance, etc. - Council. Almonte [W]
- 28/24 Economic Development Committee Update – Council President, Jeovanny Rodriguez, Council. Vice President Stephany Infante, and Councilor Vivian Marmol [W]
- 332/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - South Canal, Phase I (Merrimac Paper)** [W]
[7 South Canal Street (Map 123, Lot 1);
9 South Canal Street (Map 123, Lot 2);
19 South Canal Street (Map 123, Lot 3)]
for “By the River Park LLC” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 333/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - South Canal, Phase II** [55 South Canal Street (Map 103, Lot 6A)] [W]
for “Sire Group” proposal as approved
by the LRA – Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 334/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Pemberton Park** [North Canal Street (Map 125, Lot 28)] [W]
for “SYRAMAD Properties Inc.” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 335/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Methuen Street (East)** [11 Hampshire Street (Map 125, Lot 19); and
245-251 Methuen Street (Map 125, Lot 20)] [W]
for “Matias Companies” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 336/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Methuen Street (West)** [261 Methuen Street (Map 145, Lot 50); [W]
265 Methuen Street (Map 145, Lot 49);
277-283 Methuen Street (Map 145, Lot 48);
289-293 Methuen Street (Map 145, Lot 47); and
9 Franklin Street (Map 145, Lot 46)] – for “Westchester Group” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 337/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Essex Street** [205 Essex Street (Map 106, Lot 14); [W]
209-215 Essex Street (Map 106, Lot 13); and
217-223 Essex Street (Map 106, Lot 12)] for “Aquino Ltd” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 338/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Common Street (West)** [442-502 Common Street] for “New Lawrence Development” [W]
proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 339/25 Approval of Transfer of city-owned parcel to the LRA per the **Lawrence TBD Urban Renewal Plan - Common Street (East)** [139 Common Street (Map 106, Lot 74); [W]
129-135 Common Street (Map 106, Lot 75);
0 Common Street (Map 106, Lot 76); and
115 Common Street (Map 106, Lot 77)] for “JOWAMAR Group” proposal as approved by the LRA
– Council. Gregory Delrosario, Council. Ana Levy and Council. Celina Reyes
- 022/26 Update on Status of Litigation regarding Lawrence Redevelopment Authority [LRA] Property Transfers **[Executive Session Anticipated]** – Council. President Jeovanny Rodriguez and Attorney Timothy Houten [W]

Ordinance Committee:

- 255/26 Resident Parking - Gale Street – Councilor Vivian Marmol [OPH]
- 257/26 Resident Parking - Essex Street [from Greenwood Street to Warren Street] – Councilor Vivian Marmol [OPH]
- 374/26 Creation of Four [4] Way Stop at the Intersection of Bruce Street and Cornish Street – Councilor Franklin Miguel and Councilor Rosaly Gonzalez [OPH]
- 375/26 Stop Sign – Sunray Street [Corner of Highland Ave.] – Councilor Celina Reyes [OPH]
- 384/26 Resident Parking - West Street [between Archer St. and Manchester St.] – Councilor Gregory Delrosario, Councilor Celina Reyes and Julio Mejia [OPH]
- 385/26 Resident Parking - Bay State Road – Councilor Celina Reyes [OPH]
- 396/26 Old Gold and Second-Hand Dealer License – Celeste Brodnick, Little Giant Comics and Collectibles
- 402/26 Prohibition of Parking in Designated Bus Stops – Councilor Gregory Delrosario, Councilor Celina Reyes and MEVA [W]

Personnel Committee:

- 543/24 Personnel Director Hiring Update – Council VP Stephany Infante [W]
- 372/26 Appoint Charys J. Davenport to the Board of Registrars – Mayor Brian A. DePeña

Public Safety and Emergency Management Committee: [NO REPORT]**Committee of the Whole: [NO REPORT]****Old Business: [None]****Tabled Matters: [updated: 09-15-26]:**

- 72/16 Residency Requirement-City Employees – Home Rule Petition – Review – Council Pres. Vasquez; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception
- 125/17 Establishing maximum motor vehicle speed city wide to 25mph–Request to Amend Chapter 10.26 – Council Pres. Vasquez & Councilor. Rodriguez -Public Hearing Opened & Closed; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception
- 444/23 Requesting of Voting ID – Councilor Ana Levy and Councilor Gregory Delrosario [OPH]; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception
- 245/25 Adopt new FIRM Floodplain Map for the City and Approve Amendment of the City’s Floodplain Management Ordinance (Chapter 15.32) with latest Regulations from National Flood Insurance Program – Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director [Approved 07-07-2025, Reviewed for Possible Reconsideration] [T] 11-18-2025; Carried forward 12-16-2025 as Rule 12F exception
- 28/26 Declaration of Surplus Property, 15A Boston Street (Map 73, Lot 2-1) [Home Equity Protection Act] – Charlinett Pascual, Acting Community Development Director [T] 02-17-2026
- 29/26 Declaration of Surplus Property, 15B Boston Street (Map 73, Lot 2-2) [Home Equity Protection Act] – Charlinett Pascual, Acting Community Development Director [T] 02-17-2026
- 65/26 Proposed Update to Noise Ordinance [ORD # 09.04.040] – Capt. Ariel Montas, Lawrence Police Dept. [T] 07-07-2026 [Public Hearing occurred/Closed; Motion to Approve was made]
- 98/26 Resolution Honoring 2025 EMT of the Year, Paul Brennan – Councilor Stephany Infante [T] 04-07-2026
- 294/26 Resolution Adopting a “Vision Zero Policy” to Eliminate Traffic Fatalities and Serious Injury - Daniel McCarthy, Planning Director [T] 08-05-2026
- 297/26 Request for a Home Rule Petition under the “Heart Bill” (M.G.L. c.32, sec. 94) requesting a Line-of-Duty Death Designation for Deceased Lawrence Police Sgt. Charles Saindon [Executive Session Anticipated] – Councilor Stephany Infante and Kelley Saindon [T] 08-18-2026; [T] 09-15-2026
- 319/26 FY2027 Budget Amendment Request – Restoration of Data Entry Clerk – Mayor Brian A. DePeña [T] 08-18-2026
- 354/26 Review and Discussion of the FY2025 City of Lawrence Audit Reports – Ramona Ceballos, CAFO [T] 09/15/2026
- 357/26 Discussion regarding Complaints or Charges concerning a Public Officer [Executive Session Anticipated] – Councilor President Jeovanny Rodriguez [T] 08-18-2026
- 386/26 Sidewalk Merchandise Display – 293 Hampshire Street [Jose Refrigerator] – Councilor Celina Reyes and Jose De Los Santos [T] 09/15/2026

New Business:

- 405/26 Auth to Expend [\$300] Gift from the Estate of Constance M. Cataldi – Paul Maccarone, Director of Support Services, Fire Dept. for Chief Patrick Delaney
- 406/26 Auth to Expend [\$70,000] from Cataldo Ambulance Services for Lawrence Fire Dept. EMS Coordinator Salary – Paul Maccarone, Director of Support Services, Fire Dept. for Chief Patrick Delaney
- 407/26 Auth to Expend [\$43,500] BJA FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant – Rosa Shephard, Director of Support Services, Police Dept.
- 408/26 Introduction of Pilot Program: Sound Thinking Plate Ranger Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) – Rosa Shephard, Director of Support Services, Police Dept.
- 409/26 NET Metering Electricity Offtake Agreements, 20-year Electricity Billing Credit Agreements with 978 Solar Development LLC (New Leaf Energy) – Simon Pereira, Supervisor of Energy Projects
- 410/26 Transfer of Funds [\$2,000] from Legal Services (010411-5305) to Claims (010411-5761) – Timothy P. Houten, City Attorney
- 411/26 Appointment of Belgica Linette Perez as Director of the Office of Planning and Development – Caryl M. Garcia, Esq., Personnel Director
- 412/26 Lawrence Police Department- Flock Safety Cameras – Councilor Vivian Marmol and Council President Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 413/26 Lawrence Police Department – Shooting Statistics & Public Safety Technology – Councilor Vivian Marmol and Council President Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 414/26 Contractor and Developer Compliance with City Ordinances and Permit Requirements - Councilor Vivian Marmol and Council President Jeovanny Rodriguez
- 415/26 Creation of Ordinance, Assistant Director of Personnel [Ord No. 02.48.050] – Timothy P. Houten, City Attorney
- 416/26 YWCA Halloween Community Event, Campagnone Common, October 16, 2026 6PM – 10PM [SPE26-000073] – Luis Martinez, YWCA NEMA
- 417/26 Install One [1] JO Pole on Marston Street at Brookline Street (Pole No. 4630-50) [REF # 31358963] – Dave Johnson, National Grid
- 418/26 One Way- Orchard Street – Councilor Rosaly Gonzalez
- 419/26 One [1] Hour Parking – Nunzio Dimarca Park [add sign towed at owner's expense] – Council Vice President Levy
- 420/26 Resident Parking – Fairmont Street [both sides] from Auburn Street to County Road – Jasmin Saviron and other Fairmont Street Residents
- 421/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 157 Ferry Street – Councilor Franklin Miguel and Marlene Jimenez
- 422/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 159 Ferry Street – Councilor Franklin Miguel and Marlene Jimenez
- 423/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 18 Orchard Street – Councilor Rosaly Gonzalez
- 424/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 124-126 Trenton Street – Councilor Rosaly Gonzalez
- 425/26 Child Care Parking – 16 Orchard Street – Councilor Rosaly Gonzalez
- 426/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 23 Alder Street – Jenny Luna
- 427/26 Remove Handicapped Parking – 21 Wendell Street – Jeremy S. Geraldo
- 428/26 Handicapped Parking – 195 Ferry Street – Hector Teofilo Clarke
- 429/26 Handicapped Parking – 45 Myrtle Street – Oscarlina Mejia Javier
- 430/26 15 Minute Parking – 375 Essex Street – Hector Lara
- 431/26 15 Minute Parking – 3 Trenton Street – Yajaira Guzman