



MEETING MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022 7:00 PM**

**EVERETT CITY HALL, 484 BROADWAY, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 3RD FLOOR
EVERETT, MA 02149**

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Irene Cardillo, Darren Costa, Richard Dell Isola, Jr., Alfred Lattanzi, Michael Marchese, Stephanie Martins, Vivian Nguyen, Stephanie Smith, John Hanlon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peggy Serino, Samantha Lambert, Tony Raymond, David Fortin, Lillian Gorham, Maria Fortin, Maria Bussell, Paula Sterite, Beverly Leonard and Joetta Yutkins.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

- C0405-22** Order/s/ Councilor John F. Hanlon, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of David Palumbo as the new Director of Inspectional Services for a three-year term expiring October, 2025

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Stephanie Martins
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon
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The Director appeared to explain his experience in the field of ISD/Building.

2. **C0406-22** Order/s/ Councilor John F. Hanlon, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Antoine Coleman as the new Director of Veterans Affairs for a three-year term expiring October, 2025.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon
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Th Director appeared to explain his service in the military and what hes looking to do in the new role.

3. **C0407-22** Order/s/ Councilor John F. Hanlon, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the re-appointment of Robert Norton to the Board of Commissioners of the Everett Housing Authority for a three-year term expiring October, 2025

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Michael Marchese
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon
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4. **C0411-22** Order/s/ Councilor John F. Hanlon, as President

An order requesting the acceptance of a donation from Aeronaut Cannery and Taproom of one keg of beer, valued at \$200.00, to the City of Everett's Harvest Fest Event

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Stephanie Martins
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. **C0348-22** Order/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese, Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky, Councilor Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr.

An order recommending that the City Council explores options for a more structured usage of their meetings' public participation periods.

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Michael Marchese
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: **Passed [9 TO 0]**
AYES: Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon
NAYS:
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6. **C0377-22** Order/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese

An order to amend the City of Everett Charter Section 4-1, by giving the mayor a voice but no vote on the Everett School Committee

This item was referred to the City Clerk to look into the process to place a Home Rule Charter change on the ballot at the next municipal election.

MOTION: Refer
MOVER: Stephanie Smith
SECONDER: Michael Marchese
RESULT: **Passed [0 TO 0]**
AYES:
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7. **C0378-22** Order/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese

An order to amend the City Council Rule 4, by creating a new sub-section (G)

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Michael Marchese
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: **Passed [9 TO 0]**
AYES: Cardillo, Costa, Dell Isola, Jr., Lattanzi, Marchese, Martins, Nguyen, Smith, Hanlon
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8. C0244-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Alfred J. Lattanzi

That a representative of the Police Department and of the management company or owners of The Glendale Square Shopping Plaza appear before the Committee on Government Operations, Public Safety and Public Service to address the public concern of excessive loitering on the property

MOTION: Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER: Alfred Lattanzi
SECONDER: Michael Marchese
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. C0350-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Michael K. Marchese

A resolution requesting an update from the Mayor's Office on the Devens School lease
Postponed to the October 24th Council meeting.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Stephanie Smith
SECONDER: Michael Marchese
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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10. C0362-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That the Administration provide the cost-benefit analysis of outsourcing the Wellness Center vs. keeping it in-house as well as the breakdown of the current contract [e.g. approx. how many people are outsourced today, what are the job responsibilities of these outsourced personnel, number of free offerings (if any), the detailed cost breakdown of the \$340K (invoices if possible), the return of funds (if any) Everett is getting due to the hours being reduced 15 hours per week from the contract, and any activities the city is subsidizing]

Referred to the Administration to look at providing a better or more accurate contract in when the contract is awarded soon as it was found by Councilor Smith that the contract wasn't being followed correctly because of the city's doing not the vendor. Councilor Smith stated she may not know the procurement process but it didn't seem

like a good process to have a bid come in so low and then the vendor was allowed to ask for an change order, after the vendor was awarded the contract. Councilor Smith stated she would hope the city also holds up their end of the contract in the future.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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11. C0363-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That the Procurement Director come before the City Council at the first meeting in September to explain the process for bidding for Senior Meals delivery

The former Director Rob Moreshi appeared and discussed the process and how it was bid, how many people bid on it and the capability of the bidders to handle the large amount of orders on a weekly basis.

MOTION:	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Alfred Lattanzi
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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12. C0380-22 Resolution/s/ Councilors: Stephanie Martins, Darren Costa

That the administration consider adding a dashboard to the Everett website detailing the current available amount of ARPA funds, and committed funds.

Referred to the Administration for a written update.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Darren Costa
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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13. C0385-22 Resolution/s/ Councilors: Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr., Darren Costa, Michael

Marchese

That a representative from the Everett Housing Authority appear at the next City Council meeting to discuss concerns from residents about Glendale Towers.

Councilor Marchese stated his displeasure that the Housing Authority did not appear in person to answer questions and instead sent a written response. Councilor Marchese asked for a representative of the Housing Authority to appear at the next Council meeting.

MOTION:	Postpone
MOVER:	Michael Marchese
SECONDER:	Darren Costa
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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14. **C0386-22** Resolution/s/ Councilors: Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr., Stephanie Martins, Stephanie Smith, Darren Costa, Alfred Lattanzi, Wayne Matewsky, Irene Cardillo, Vivian Nguyen, Michael Marchese, John Hanlon

That the Administration, and any other relative departments appear at the next City Council meeting to discuss making the Pope John property a school, instead of affordable housing, and to get estimates on what it would cost the City to renovate it for school use, as well as the cost to the City to keep it as affordable housing.

The discussed what they believed was the best option today for the city and schools and that was using Pope John as a school. The Superintendent and Mayor's Chief of Staff both appeared and discussed what was being discussed and that they would both have the numbers to present to the Council and School committee next week. The Council requested a joint meeting be scheduled on Tuesday October 4th so the City Council and School Committee could discuss what they would need to do to possibly move forward with fixing the Pope John School into a Junior High School for the Everett Public Schools.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Richard Dell Isola, Jr.
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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15. **C0391-22** Resolution/s/ Councilors: Vivian Nguyen, Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr., Darren Costa

That the administration considers doing a study on the Beacon St area rat infestation to serve as a measure/assessment area for the overall mitigation plan for the City of Everett.

ISD Director Palumbo appeared to discuss items 15 and 16 collectively. He informed the Council that there was remediation in progress at these areas and that he would look into working with businesses and residents in the area on how he can further assist them, while also educating everyone on the city's codes and how to protect against rat infestations. Referred to ISD for action.

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RESULT: [0 TO 0]
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16. **C0392-22** Resolution/s/ Councilors: Vivian Nguyen, Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr., Darren Costa

That Inspectional Services offer residents on Beacon St the options of (but not limited to) trapping, removal of rat nests, or the utilization of birth control to mitigate the rat infestation issue on Beacon St.

Referred to ISD for action.

MOTION: Refer
MOVER: Vivian Nguyen
SECONDER: Stephanie Martins
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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17. **C0395-22** Order/s/ Councilor Alfred J. Lattanzi

That the City Council supports the submission of a Special Act to the Massachusetts General Court authorizing the City to grant additional alcoholic beverages licenses.

Referred to the Legislative Affairs committee to review the proposed language.

MOTION: Refer
MOVER: Alfred Lattanzi
SECONDER: Stephanie Martins

RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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NEW BUSINESS

18. C0401-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That a representative from Anser and the administration appear at the next meeting to describe the ARPA approval process, Anser contract and services, committee members, and next outreach steps.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Stephanie Martins
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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19. C0402-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the new Director of Veteran Affairs appear at the next meeting to discuss current Veteran programs in Everett.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Stephanie Martins
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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20. C0403-22 Resolution/s/ Councilors: Stephanie Martins, Stephanie Smith, Al Lattanzi

That the administration provide a cost analysis on rehabilitating the Old High School to be used as an additional school space to alleviate overcrowding

Councilor Martins asked that the Administration look into a study on utilizing the Old EHS as a school while the city was looking at the Pope John building and Councilor Smith asked to amend it to also request that the Old EHS is studied to be a vocational School. The item was referred to the City Administration and School Administration to provide a response at the October 24th Council meeting. The item was amended to add Councilors Smith, Marchese and Lattanzi as co-sponsors.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Stephanie Martins

SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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21. **C0404-22** Resolution/s/ Councilors: Richard J. Dell Isola, Jr., Stephanie Martins, Michael Marchese, Al Lattanzi

That a representative from the Engineering department explain why the sidewalk was widened down on Norman Street, taking away much needed parking in that area.

Amended to add Councilors Smith, Marchese and Lattanzi as co-sponsors and that a response be provided at the next Council meeting.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Richard Dell Isola, Jr.
SECONDER: Michael Marchese
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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22. **C0409-22** Resolution/s/ Councilor Michael K. Marchese

That the City of Everett declare October Italian Heritage Month

Councilor Marchese requested this be passed and sent to the Mayor's office to hold some Italian Heritage events during the month of October.

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Michael Marchese
SECONDER: Richard Dell Isola, Jr.
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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23. **C0413-22** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Darren M. Costa

That the CFO and Budget Director provide the City Council with quarterly financial reviews 45 days following the quarter end. These reviews shall include both a department and a line-item level review, which includes but is not limited to: the agreed upon budget, any revisions to the budget via appropriations from the Council or intra-department transfer, expended funds, encumbered funds, forecasted spend. Included with the budget review should be any revolving fund accounts. The CFO must

allow provide a list of the outstanding loans on the balance sheet as well as summary of changes of capital expenditures. Additionally, that the HR director provide a quarterly review of open positions within the City Government, if the positions are posted and how long they have been posted for. The Council shall schedule a Budget Committee meeting for 2 weeks following the receipt of the financials from the CFO and budget director.

Referred to the CFO and Budget Director to begin this process after the next quarter ends.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Darren Costa
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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24. C0414-22 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

An ordinance amending section D Effective Date on the Ordinance Banning Plastic Bags in the City of Everett

The ordinance was amended to change the effective date from January 1st, 2022 to January 1st, 2023. The Ordinance was enrolled.

MOTION:	Enroll
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Vivian Nguyen
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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25. C0415-22 Resolution/s/ Councilor Vivian Nguyen

That the Traffic Commission considers installing flashing crosswalk signs at the intersection of Linden Street & Church Street

Referred to the Traffic commission to look into the possibility of adding a flashing sign.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Vivian Nguyen
SECONDER:	Stephanie Martins

RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]

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26. C0416-22 Order/s/ Councilor Darren M. Costa, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

An order requesting and recommending that the City Council have a voice and a vote on the allocations of the \$47,191,952 in ARPA grants accepted by the City Council at its September 13, 2021 regular meeting

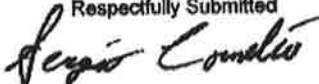
The Council requested that the Administration allow them some input in the process on deciding where ARPA funding will be spent. The Council knows the city was up against a deadline last year when ARPA funds were approved, which did not give the previous Council time or input in the formal process. This item was referred to the Administration with a response back at the next meeting.

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Stephanie Smith
SECONDER: Darren Costa
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Adjourn
MOVER: Stephanie Smith
SECONDER: Stephanie Martins
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
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Adjourned at 10:11 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Clerk of the City Council