



MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024 7:00 PM

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Anthony DiPierro, Holly Garcia, Michael Marchese, Wayne Matewsky, Peter Pietrantonio, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Smith, Robert Van Campen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **C0065-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An ordinance reducing the lead time required to advertise a City Council public hearing on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment from at least thirty (30) days before the date of the hearing to at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the hearing

The item was referred to the Legislative Affairs committee

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Speakers were, Juan Ramos, Jocelyn Solis, Peggy Serino, Thalia Patino, Lillian Goreham, David Fortin, Paula Sterite, Mary Fortin, Bill Thompson and Joe Pierotti

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

2. **C0100-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a check from the Everett Citizen's Foundation in the amount of \$5,240.00 for the purpose of establishing an account to

be used solely by the Everett Recreation Center for expenditures directly related to matters deemed appropriate by the Recreation Center Management staff.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

3. **C0103-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

That the Planning Department provide a brief presentation to the City Council on the scope of the ongoing Zoning Re-Codification work that was initiated in mid-2023

Matt Lattanzi and Jonathan Silverstein gave a presentation along with consultants for the city on the re-codification process, timeline, etc. The power-point presentation presented to the Council gave some general information, what was looking to be done and when they believed the process would be complete. They expect this will be given to the Public by the late summer/early fall for Public consumption and presented to the Council after that for final approval before the end of the year. The item was postponed to the last meeting in May for an update.

4. **C0104-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval of the appointment of Ashmael Brun, as an Associate Member, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of three (3) years, expiring March 1, 2027

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Failed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

The item was referred to the Legislative Affairs committee.

5. **C0107-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations to the 2024 Summer Jobs Program as follows: Malden Transportation \$1,000.00, & Dagle Electrical Construction Corp. \$1,000.00

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

6. **C0108-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations totaling \$195.00 from City of Everett employees during the month of February for the Fire Victims Fund.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

7. **C0109-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept a donation from Home Depot of various materials to assist the Everett High School Carpentry students with building a Storage Unit at Glendale Park for the purpose of storing supplies and equipment. The expected value of this donation is \$3,500.00

The item was amended to read as President after Councilor VanCampens name.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

8. **C0114-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development (now, the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities) in the amount of \$400,000.00 for the establishment of a City of Everett First Time Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance Program

Zerina Gace the new Affordable Housing Coordinator appeared and explained what the grant was for, stating that 20 people/families will be eligible to receive a grant of \$20,000 each to use as a down payment for a home as a first time home buyer. The Grant will be forgiven after 5 years, but the person receiving the funds need to meet certain criteria required by the state grant.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Peter Pietrantonio
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

9. **C0115-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$7,552,930.00 from Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) into the following funds: General Stabilization Fund \$ 2,265,879.00, Other Post-Employment Benefits Liability Trust Fund \$2,265,879.00 & Capital Improvement Stabilization Fund \$3,021,172.00, for a total of \$7,552,930.00

The item was referred to the Ways and Means committee.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

10. **C0008-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That a National Grid Electric representative come to the first meeting in February to discuss street lights

MOTION:	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER:	Stephanie Smith

SECONDER: Wayne Matewsky
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:
NAYS:
AWAY:

11. **C0097-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting a new mechanical repair license for Emporium Auto Body Shop Inc. at 367 3rd Street

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES: Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:
AWAY:

12. **C0098-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting a new class two motor vehicle dealer license for Emporium Auto Body Shop Inc. at 367 3rd Street

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER: Stephanie Smith
RESULT: Passed [9 TO 0]
AYES: Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS:
AWAY:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. **C0015-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the appropriate representative appear at the next meeting to discuss how the Supplemental Final Environmental Impact Report (SFEIR) for Encore Boston Harbor (EEA #15060), submitted by Wynn regarding the design, funding, and construction of the Mystic River Bridge will impact Everett

MOTION: Postpone
MOVER: Wayne Matewsky

SECONDER: Anthony DiPierro
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:
NAYS:
AWAY:

14. C0091-24 Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen , as President

A petition from National Grid requesting to install approximately 75' of 2 – 4" conduit from existing pole #2161 underground to a customer owned manhole #170 at 380 Second Street

The item was reconsidered by Councilor Holly Garcia after the last meeting but before the 12 m deadline in the Wednesday after the meeting. The Council voted to reconsider the item and it passed unanimously. The Council then voted for favorable action and the item passed.

MOTION: Favorable Action
MOVER: Stephanie Smith
SECONDER: Holly Garcia
RESULT: Passed [8 TO 1]
AYES: Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Smith, Van Campen
NAYS: Rogers
AWAY:

NEW BUSINESS

15. C0101-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That representatives from National Grid appear relative to upgrades to electric service at Glendale Towers, to accomodate air conditioners for residents

MOTION: Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER: Stephanie Martins
SECONDER: Holly Garcia
RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:
NAYS:
AWAY:

The Housing Authority and National Grid have worked on this issue and should have something done before the summer. The Council requested to refer the item back to sponsor and to have the Council office send a letter of thanks to National Grid and the Housing Authority.

16. C0102-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers & Entire City Council

A resolution to declare the month of April as Earth Month

The item was accepted by the Council and referred to the Administration to sign on also.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Katy Rogers
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

17. C0106-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the Veterans' Director be invited to the city council meeting on March 25, to go over policies and procedures of the Veterans' Office

MOTION:	Postpone
MOVER:	Peter Pietrantonio
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

18. C0110-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Councilor Katy Rogers

A resolution introducing a formal proposal to coat public courts, community parks and school playgrounds in Everett with Solar Reflective Paint as a cooling intervention by the summer of 2024

The item was referred to the DPW Director with a written response to the sponsor by mid April on if this is possible and if so when it can be done.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Guerline Alcy Jabouin
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

19. C0111-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

A resolution requesting that the Administration provide programs for disabled children during school breaks and during the summer vacation

The item was referred to the DPW Director with a written response to the sponsor by the end of April.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Guerline Alcy Jabouin
SECONDER:	Peter Pietrantonio
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

20. C0112-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin & Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the city consider placing a moratorium on the construction of any new residential developments consisting of four units or more.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Guerline Alcy Jabouin
SECONDER:	Peter Pietrantonio
RESULT:	Failed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

Referred to the Legislative Affairs committee and invite the Solicitor to appear.

21. C0113-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That the Traffic Commission consider special parking passes for the residents of Victoria Street to be able to park in the municipal lot on that street

Referred to the Traffic commission for action

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

22. C0116-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

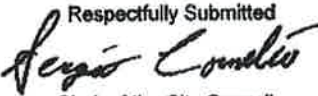
That the Rec Center consider covering transportation costs for the basketball team so the children can be safely bused to and from games

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Peter Pietrantonio
SECONDER:	Stephanie Smith
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

The item was referred to the Recreation Director for action.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 9:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Clerk of the City Council