



MEETING MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024 6:00 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, Katy Rogers, Peter Pietrantonio, Stephanie Smith, Robert Van Campen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. **C0085-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate by borrowing \$11,400,000.00 for Improvements at the Old Everett High School, located at 548 Broadway

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

The Mayor, Facilities Director, OPM and Project Engineer all appeared to give a presentation on the work needed. The Council was provided information on the cost of the roof, what groups and city agencies currently occupy space in the building like the Webster school extension, facilities maintenance department, the Wellness Center and Elliot Group to name some of them. The Mayor stated if we did not fund the roof we would be displacing these groups by the end of the year as the insurance company

will drop the coverage in January of 2025. Councilors asked if there were other building or any other solutions because the amount was steep and they were confident that the city would end up spending more money down the road on a building that is 100 years old and only being 20 percent utilized. The Mayor did not have other options at this time for space for these groups but said they would try to help any groups they could, but if this didn't pass most likely many groups wouldn't be able to stay in Everett due to limited space in other city buildings. Councilors asked about utilizing Pope John for a school and utilizing the Old High School parcel for Senior, Veteran and Family Housing as the Pope John Building was in better shape and would be an easier fix for the school portion to move to. The Mayor stated he was interested in that as the city was just approved for a new High School by the MSBA. Councilors continued to deliberate but stated they wanted to tour the top 2 floors of the Old High School before they took a final vote on the proposal. The Mayor agreed and his office would work on scheduling the tour before the April 8th meeting where this item was postponed to that meeting.

2. C0088-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

A resolution asking the administration to submit all costs associated with the old Everett High School (Utilities, maintenance, heat, insurance, etc.) and all funds allocated to maintain it.

The item was postponed to the April 8th Council meeting after a discussion on both items 1 and 2 were taken collectively. The Administration provided all costs associated with operation of the Old Everett High School.

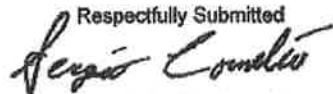
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RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:35 PM

MOTION:	Adjourn
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	

AWAY:

Respectfully Submitted

Clerk of the City Council