



**AGENDA PACKET**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 7:00 PM**

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#### ROLL CALL

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 09/23/2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 10/15/2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 10/28/2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 11/12/2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 11/25/2024

#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

**1. C0004-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations from Steven S. Luongo to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$500 and to the Office of Human Services in the amount of \$500

**2. C0006-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Eagle Bank in the amount of \$500.00 to support the city's annual Tree Lighting Event

**3. C0007-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Everett Foundation for Aged Persons in the amount of \$11,708.00 to the Council on Aging

**4. C0012-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations totaling \$160.00 from City of Everett employees during the month of December for the Fire Victims Fund. Employees are given the opportunity to wear jeans on Thursdays by making a \$5.00 to the Fire Victims Fund. These funds are collected weekly

**5. C0023-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order to approve the disclosure filed by Kevin Noonan who has disclosed a financial interest in a municipal contract. Noonan Concessions, a company owned by Kevin Noonan, contracts with the city at certain community events

**6. C0025-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order to appropriate \$35,000 from Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Human Resources professional services account to cover additional costs related to workers compensation

### **PETITIONS AND LICENSES**

**7. C0008-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Fast & Furious Motor Inc. at 153 Ferry Street

**8. C0009-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class three motor vehicle dealer license for Second St Iron & metals at 285 Second Street

**9. C0010-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Classic Cars of Boston Inc. at 5-7 Beacham Street

**10. C0011-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Avanti Motors Inc. at 152 Ferry Street

**11. C0020-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of an inn holder license for Envision Hotel Boston-Everett at 1834 Revere Beach Pkwy

**12. C0021-25** Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for E & C Foreign Auto Repair LLC at 29R Garden Street

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**13. C0444-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$94,508.59 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to pay prior year departmental bills per the attached list.

**14. C0399-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

An ordinance requiring the display of the UNITED STATES FLAG when foreign flags are displayed by businesses

**15. C0416-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

An ordinance to amend live animal testing

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**16. C0137-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

An ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf

**On Monday, December 23, 2024, the mayor vetoed the ordinance; the city council office received the veto message on Monday, December 30, 2024**

**17. C0354-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin & the Entire Membership of the City Council

That the Administration take immediate steps to improve the senior meals program, including potentially terminating the current contract and engaging a new vendor.

**On Tuesday, January 7, 2025, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith requested that this measure be returned to the City Council agenda**

**18. C0411-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Water Superintendent appear at the next meeting to clarify the purpose of the recent letters regarding lead that were sent to residents and the next steps

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**19. C0005-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers, & Councilor Stephanie Martins

A resolution to implement a multi-lingual City of Everett app to enhance accessibility and communication

**20. C0013-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Robert J. Van Campaen

That the traffic commission implement a restriction on residents parking covered cars on public ways

**21. C0014-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the Addiction Recovery Resource Specialist Paul Guarino from the Everett Fire

Department Roadmap to Recovery appears at our January 27th meeting to discuss his role and data for calls and placements

- 22. C0017-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Michael K. Marchese

That Sargent Gaff and the head of parking enforcement be invited to a special meeting of the city council be held to discuss the parking issues occurring in the city and the increased amount of cars on the streets

- 23. C0018-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

In the interest of public safety, that all parking restrictions be strictly enforced in the area of Linden, Webster, Church and Warren streets, particularly on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays

- 24. C0019-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Administration - working collaboratively with the City Council and other community stakeholders - convene a task force to discuss and address issues of food insecurity in the City of Everett, including the safest and most efficient way to coordinate distribution

- 25. C0022-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the administration provides an update on when community meetings will be held concerning the use of the former Everett High School and the former Pope John property

## **MAINTENANCE REQUESTS**

- A.** Councilor Katy L. Rogers

Crosswalks to be installed at following intersections on Union St: Baker Rd, Chatham Rd, Francis St, Florence St

## **ADJOURMENT**

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(All agendas and reports can be obtained on City of Everett Website)

Respectfully submitted:

***Michael J. Mangan***

Legislative Aide  
Everett City Council Office



## MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 7:00 PM

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

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#### ROLL CALL

##### Members Present

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

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

##### 1. **C0296-24** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to install the following gas mains:

- Approximately 1,100 feet of 8-inch gas mains in Boston Street;
- Approximately 350 feet of 6-inch gas main in Third Street;
- Approximately 200 feet of 8-inch gas main in Second Street; and
- Approximately 10 feet of 6-inch gas main crossing Second Street.

Diana Cuddy from National Grid explained they are requesting permission to extend gas mains on Boston Street down to Second and Third Street to service a development project, based on a customer request. The mains will be high pressure 60-pound gas mains. Councilor Pietrantonio asked if laterals were included, and Cuddy clarified the grant of location was just for the mains, with services coming off the main on private property. Councilor Hanlon expressed confusion about the locations and asked if all the work would happen simultaneously. Cuddy said the permitting would determine if it was plated at night or had temporary trench restoration. Hanlon asked what the gas would service on Second Street, but Cuddy did not have that information. Councilor Marchese asked if existing lines were being replaced. Cuddy said there was a low pressure line and the high pressure line stopping before Third Street that would be extended. Councilor Garcia asked if the work would be done during the day or night. Cuddy said it depended on the city's permitting. The public

hearing was opened. No one spoke in favor or against. The hearing was closed. Item Number {{item.number}}  
Councillor Hanlon made a motion to refer to committee to get more details from the gas company and the business being serviced, which passed.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

#### 2. **C0306-24** Order/s/ Councillor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations from Northeastern Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$250.00 to the Veterans Services Department and \$250.00 to the Fire Victims Fund

Items 2,5 and 19 were taken collectively.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

#### 3. **C0312-24** Order/s/ Councillor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) in the amount of \$20,000 which will be used to support the Year-Round Jobs Training Program through the Youth Development and Enrichment Department

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

<b>NAYS:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**4. C0315-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order to raise and appropriate \$300,000 to the Health Department’s Professional Services account. The Health Department is requesting these funds to hire an outside staffing company to address school nurse staffing issues until the open vacancies have been filled

Councilor Smith raised concerns about hiring an outside staffing company that may make more money than school nurses, not incentivizing people to become school nurses. She requested sending this to the Ways and Means committee and having the health department director and school nurse director come explain, as parents and kids are uncomfortable with different nurses at schools each day, especially for medically complex children. Councilor Jabouin agreed that if the issue is not paying nurses enough, spending money on an outside agency should be reconsidered. Refer to Ways and Means committee.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**5. C0316-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation in the amount of \$18,000.00 from the Everett Foundation for Aged Persons to the Council on Aging

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**6. C0317-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant to the Planning Department from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs in the amount of \$687,500 which will be used to implement resident-led outdoor cooling solutions in environmental justice neighborhoods



Item Number {item.number}

Matt Lattanzi, director of planning and development, explained this grant is phase 2 of the Wicked Mystic Cooling program. It will engage residents of all ages in 4 municipalities (Everett, Chelsea, Malden, Arlington) to identify locations and design cooling bus shelters. Construction is included but may not cover 100% of costs. The total project is \$776,200 with a \$687,000 grant and \$89,200 of in-kind staff time from the 4 cities. Councilor Martins asked if there was already a plan. Lattanzi said phase 1 was complete but phase 2 was starting with engagement to locate the shelters and discuss if that's the best use of funds. Councilor Smith asked if more grants would cover construction. Lattanzi said some construction was included but he'd have to check if it was 100%. Councilor Pietrantonio asked about maintenance. Lattanzi assumed MBTA but wasn't certain. Councilor Hanlon requested periodic updates on spending and project end date.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 7. C0297-24 Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$918,100.00 from the Capital Stabilization account for the following 10 capital improvement projects and purchases:

- # 1 Police - Non-administrative Vehicles (Patrol Division) \$140,000
- # 2 Police Administrative Vehicle \$120,000,
- #3 Parking Control Vehicle \$44,000
- #4 Public Safety Radio Improvements \$265,000
- # 5 Police Body Armor \$26,300
- # 6 Police Taser Upgrades \$82,800
- # 7 Council on Aging Van \$50,000
- # 8 Inspectional Services Vehicles \$65,000
- # 9 Fire Department Turnout Gear \$60,000
- #10 Engineering Vehicles \$65,000
- TOTAL: \$918,100.00

The balance in the Capital Stabilization account as of 6/30/24 is \$8,048,356

Committee report accepted and placed on file

<b>MOTION:</b>	Divide the question
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<b>MOVER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin	Item Number {{{item.number}}}
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [8 TO 3]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Van Campen	
<b>NAYS:</b>	Hanlon, Matewsky, Smith	
<b>AWAY:</b>		

Question was divided as follows::

**C0297A-24**

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$788,100.00 from the Capital Stabilization account for the following 8 capital improvement projects and purchases:

- # 1 Police - Non-administrative Vehicles (Patrol Division) \$140,000
  - # 2 Police Administrative Vehicle \$120,000,
  - # 3 Parking Control Vehicle \$44,000
  - # 4 Public Safety Radio Improvements \$265,000
  - # 5 Police Body Armor \$26,300
  - # 6 Police Taser Upgrades \$82,800
  - # 7 Council on Aging Van \$50,000
  - # 8 Fire Department Turnout Gear \$60,000
- TOTAL: \$788,100.00

**C0297B-24**

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$130,000.00 from the Capital Stabilization account for the following 2 capital improvement projects and purchases:

- # 1 Inspectional Services Vehicles \$65,000
  - # 2 Engineering Vehicles \$65,000
- TOTAL: \$130,000.00

<b>MOTION:</b>	C0297A-24: Favorable Action	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

<b>MOTION:</b>	C0297B-24: Postpone	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		

<b>NAYS:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**8. C0298-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval that the amount of \$2,365,000.00 be appropriated by borrowing for the following two (2) capital improvement projects: Fire Engine Replacement and Stadium Turf.

- 1. Fire Engine Replacement for \$965,000.00
  - 2. Stadium Turf for \$1,400,000.00
- TOTAL : 2,365,000.00

Committee report accepted and placed on file

<b>MOTION:</b>	Divide the question
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>[0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

Question was divided as follows:

**C0298A-24**

An order requesting approval that the amount of \$965,000.00 be appropriated by borrowing for the following capital improvement: Fire Engine Replacement.

**C0298B-24**

An order requesting approval that the amount of \$1,400,000.00 be appropriated by borrowing for the following capital improvement project: Stadium Turf.

<b>MOTION:</b>	C0298A-24 – Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

<b>MOTION:</b>	C0298B-24: Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Hanlon

<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	Item Number {{{item.number}}}
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

<b>MOTION:</b>	C0298A-24: Favorable Action	
<b>MOVER:</b>		
<b>SECONDER:</b>		
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>[0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

Councilor Rogers requested dividing the question to vote on the two items separately. This passed unanimously. The fire engine replacement was approved unanimously. For the stadium turf, Councilor Martins asked if it would be the same type of turf. Clerk Cornelio said it would be a more environmentally friendly organic turf that can be recycled. Councilor Garcia added it would have bouncier material to prevent injuries. The stadium turf was then approved unanimously.

**9. C0299-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to raise and appropriate the sum of \$203,286 to the School department's contracted service account based on the additional Chapter 70 funding posted in the final FY25 state budget.

Accept committee report, place on file, favorable action

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**10. C0301-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to re purpose \$771,900 in previously bonded school capital improvements funds to fully fund the project to replace equipment controls at Everett High School

The amount in the order needed to be amended to \$771,900. Councilor Pietrantonio

questioned re-purposing funds, asking if the original projects were completed. Councilor Smith explained \$650,000 was from the Parlin School exterior wall project that ended up not needing to be done, and \$121,900 was left over from the Whittier School gym project that came in under budget. Councilor Pietrantonio said the wall at the Parlin School did not appear to have been fixed. Clerk Cornelio clarified the city had already borrowed the money through bonds, so repurposing it required city council approval to avoid borrowing again for a new project. The repurposed funds will go towards replacing HVAC equipment controls at the high school. Amount amended to \$771,900 and was approved as amended.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Pietrantonio
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**11. C0137-24 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers**

An ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf

The ordinance was amended in the Legislative Affairs committee to allow exceptions for turf when voted on by city council, as demonstrated by the stadium turf vote earlier in the meeting. Councilor Rogers explained the ordinance removes the default assumption that fields will be turf, requiring a vote and discussion on a case-by-case basis with input from the parks department. Turf can still be approved if sensible and environmentally sustainable. Favorable action as amended. Motion was made to reconsider the item which then failed to be brought back and the vote for Favorable action stands.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Smith
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**12. C0260-24 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President**

An ordinance proposing the addition of two new sections to Appendix A – Zoning of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett: Section 36 – Master Planned Development and Section 37 - Everett Docklands Innovation District (“EDID”)

The Planning Board amended this ordinance. Councilor Pietrantonio asked if this was amended just for the Davis Group project. Clerk Cornelio explained a property owner can present zoning changes for their property under state law. Councilor Marchese asked about street ownership and maintenance. President Van Campen suggested postponing the vote until the committee report is published to have more information. Item was then postponed to the next meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 13. C0077-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Robert Van Campen

That the Administration provide an update on the reconstruction of the Smith Playground aka Central Ave Park

Written correspondence was received from the city engineer that the park was closed due to unsafe conditions of the play structure. A bid is expected to go out within a month. Councilor Garcia requested an update closer to spring.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

### 14. C0270-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

A resolution requesting a representative of 3-1-1 to appear to speak about the city's baiting program and preventative measures for rodents.

Councilor DiPierro shared an email from the chief of staff. ISD created a pamphlet on preventing rodent problems that residents can report to 311. The city contracts with a pest control company to do residential baiting. Code enforcement investigates problem areas and works with residents on overgrown vegetation. Large permitted construction projects must have an active rodent mitigation plan. Data on 311 calls for 2023-2024 was provided. Councilor DiPierro questioned if the mitigation requirement

for construction was being enforced. Councilor Smith, said the administration committed to working on putting more responsibility on contractors for rodent issues near construction, to avoid city cost. Councilor Garcia relayed a resident's concern that the city's baiting service was not effective compared to a private company.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**15. C0271-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

A resolution requesting an update from the administration on plans to equip public buildings and spaces with free public WIFI for residents to utilize.

The administration requested more time on this matter. Postpone to first regular meeting in October

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**16. C0278-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration provide an update on the number and status of ARPA applications received from organizations and next steps.

A response was received from the mayor's chief of staff and attached to the minutes. Councilor Martins was absent for the initial vote to refer back to sponsor. On a motion to reconsider, she expressed concerns that the response did not list organization names, that applicant organizations were also scoring applications despite privacy concerns, and that the process lacked transparency with the organizations. She requested referring it back to the administration for updates on notifying organizations of the process, having non-applicants score applications, and providing the list of 35 organizations. Referred to the administration with questions to respond back to the Council with the answers.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins

<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**17. C0289-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That the City provides an update of ARPA fund status and balances

Administration sent a correspondence to the Council. Accept communication, place on file, refer back to sponsor

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**18. C0290-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That EPD Chief Strong update the City Council on how his first couple of months have gone as Chief of Police and If he has implemented any new policies under his direction.

Chief Strong provided an update on his first few months as police chief. The department is pursuing state certification, which involves updating policies and procedures and making building improvements. This is expected in 8-10 months. He outlined progress and plans in various units:

- Patrol seized 7 firearms in 3 months, is getting new hybrid vehicles, and conducted over 500 directed patrols in parks.
- The drug unit had multiple undercover cases, some using SWAT for high-risk warrants.
- 5 officers were added to the SWAT team, with free training from Boston Police.
- Detectives are getting technology training on cell phone data extraction.
- A sergeant was added to the School Resource Officers for 5 total, building relationships with the school department.
- Dispatch is upgrading systems, including ability to receive emergency calls from ride-shares and an app for residents to report issues.

Councilors thanked him for the improved communication and social media presence. Councilor Smith asked about future promotions, which Chief Strong said are coming based on a management plan. Councilors Pietrantonio and Martins encouraged him to continue improving station conditions.



<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**19. C0300-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from Alfred Lattanzi to the Youth Development and Enrichment Department in the amount of \$500.00.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**NEW BUSINESS**

**20. C0309-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That the City Engineer appear provide an update on the work being done at the corner of Lewis & Paris Street, as the work appears to be stalled.

Councilor Matewsky received communication from the city engineer that the work is stalled due to a pending legal matter. The city is working to stabilize the roadway for winter, with drain and water work resuming in spring. Giant pipes are taking up street parking. Councilor Matewsky will notify residents that no more work is expected until spring. He thanked the water department for their responsiveness to any issues that may arise.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

21. **C0310-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky Item Number {{item.number}}

That Inspectional Services inspect Dempsey's Restaurant in Everett Square, as it is unsightly and unsafe.

Councilor Matewsky expressed frustration that Dempsey's Restaurant in Everett Square has not improved its appearance despite requests over several years. Issues include peeling paint, an unsafe walkway, locked customer entrance, and a dirty ceiling inside. He argued it looks out of place near recent renovations and as the city considers a \$3 million Everett Square project. Residents have complained but no action has been taken after a code enforcement visit a month and a half ago. Councilor Rogers said she received communication in July that interior and exterior renovations would happen within 3 months, by October 18th, but no progress had been made. Councilor Garcia was added as a co-sponsor and the item was referred to the mayor and code enforcement director for action.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

22. **C0311-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky, Councilor Holly Garcia

That the post office explain why the mail is being delivered late, or not delivered at all.

Councilor Matewsky reported issues with lost, stolen and undelivered mail in Everett and surrounding communities. Residents have had late fees and credit score reductions from bills mailed but never received. Even without much mail, going 3-4 days without any delivery indicates a problem. An Everett mailman described people fishing mail out of boxes or stealing the blue boxes entirely to wash checks and steal identities. Surrounding communities like Revere are also impacted. Councilor Matewsky requested notifying the Boston postmaster general of dissatisfaction with mail delivery and services. Clerk Cornelio said he would deliver the message in person at an upcoming October 2nd meeting with the postmaster general and secretary of state. Councilor Matewsky suggested having a communications process where councilors are notified that department heads are receiving and responding to their requests.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**23. C0314-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting that the Everett City Council discuss and vote on an appeal of a 30-day suspension of the Second Class Motor Dealer License granted to Boston Motor Sports located at 47 Mystic Street.

Sergeant Gaff requested postponing this matter until further notice as part of an ongoing investigation. The attorney for Boston Motor Sports, Michael Kelly, agreed to the proposed date of October 15th.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

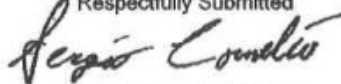
**MAINTENANCE REQUESTS**

**A.** Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the concession stand doors at the Lafayette School park be repainted  
The maintenance request was referred to the parks department and administration.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM

Respectfully Submitted  
  
 Clerk of the City Council



## MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024 7:00 PM

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

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#### ROLL CALL

##### Members Present

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

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

##### 1. **C0260-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An ordinance proposing the addition of two new sections to Appendix A – Zoning of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett: Section 36 – Master Planned Development and Section 37 - Everett Docklands Innovation District (“EDID”)

Public Hearing was held. Paula Sterite spoke in opposition to the proposed zoning change, citing concerns about over-development, traffic, parking, reduced square footage requirements, and potential conflicts of interest. She stated the proposal will worsen existing issues and urged the council to vote no.

Mary Fortin also spoke against the proposal, saying it would make the city too crowded. She stated the mayor seems to only care about money, not what residents want.

The city council moved to amend the numbering of the ordinance sections from 37 and 38 to 36 and 37. They then postponed a vote until a formal preamble is received.

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<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**2. C0287-24 Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President**

A petition from Trimount ESS LLC requesting permission to install an underground electrical duct bank, inclusive of an electrical transmission line, as described herein.

Public Hearing was held. Hans Detweiler and representatives from Jupiter Power LLC/Trimount ESS presented their proposal to install an underground electrical duct bank and transmission line. Key points:

- It would connect their proposed battery storage facility on the former Exxon tank site to substations, providing grid stability services. The location takes advantage of existing grid infrastructure.
- They expect to be a significant taxpayer, though exact amounts are still being determined. A draft PILOT agreement has been submitted to the city.
- Construction would create union jobs under a project labor agreement, with a program to create a pathway from Everett High School to building trades jobs.
- They have done extensive community outreach and made changes based on feedback, like attractive wall plantings, bike path continuity, and an annual student art program.

Several union representatives and residents spoke in support, citing the outreach, job opportunities, and environmental benefits.

In discussion, councilors asked about the size, exact tax revenue projections, fire safety plans, and status of a host agreement. Detweiler said they are committed to working with the city on all fronts as the project advances. There was concern the administration may not support it.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Enroll
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [9 TO 2]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Garcia, Pietrantonio
<b>AWAY:</b>	

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

3. C0323-24 Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval of the re-appointment of Eamon Kernan to the Conservation Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring October 31, 2027.

Refer to Legislative Affairs Committee

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

4. C0331-24 Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts State 911 Department in the amount of \$206,970 which will be used by the Everett Emergency Communications 911 Department to defray the cost of salaries for enhanced 911 telecommunicators

Eric Demas explained this is an annual grant the city receives to support 911 department staffing and ensure adequate training. The funds offset what would otherwise need to be requested in the city budget.

Councilors asked for clarification on what "enhanced 911 telecommunicators" meant and if it would fund new positions. Demas said it refers to training for existing staff required by the state. The grant defrays existing salary costs, it does not add new positions.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen

**NAYS:**

Item Number {{item.number}}

**AWAY:**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**5. C0315-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order to raise and appropriate \$300,000 to the Health Department’s Professional Services account. The Health Department is requesting these funds to hire an outside staffing company to address school nurse staffing issues until the open vacancies have been filled

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [8 TO 3]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Rogers, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, Pietrantonio, Smith
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**6. C0239-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

Requesting that the Administration appear to discuss procedures for notifying residents of roadwork and concerns regarding lack of said communication

Accept committee report and refer back to sponsor

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**7. C0296-24** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to install the following gas mains:

- Approximately 1,100 feet of 8-inch gas mains in Boston Street;
- Approximately 350 feet of 6-inch gas main in Third Street;
- Approximately 200 feet of 8-inch gas main in Second Street; and
- Approximately 10 feet of 6-inch gas main crossing Second Street.

Councilor Martins reported their discussion with National Grid revealed concerns with the quality of their worksites and lack of city staff to properly supervise.

The city engineer provided recommended conditions to impose on National Grid before granting the petition, including: Item Number {{item.number}}

- Developing final design plans with the engineering department
- Creating a traffic management plan with engineering, police and fire
- Providing funds for off-hours inspections by city staff or 3rd party

Martins wants to add a condition for National Grid to provide instructions to businesses on compensation for damages or losses.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**8. C0259-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

An ordinance pertaining to trees in the City of Everett

Refer back to Legislative Affairs committee

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9. C0137-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

An ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf

Councilor Smith reported concerns raised in committee about the appointee's lack of elections experience, having only voted once herself in 12 years despite being the director. The increased salary was meant to attract experienced candidates. Smith said she cannot support the appointment.

Councilor Martins said she will vote in favor, knowing the appointee personally and



believing she will do her best and abide by the rules, despite preferring someone with more experience. Item Number {{item.number}}

Councilor Garcia asked what happens if the appointment fails, with an election upcoming. The clerk said the mayor's appointee continues as acting director until the mayor appoints a successor the council confirms.

Councilor Pietrantonio questioned how one can oversee elections with no experience and only voting once.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [3 TO 8]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	DiPierro, Marchese, Martins
<b>NAYS:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Hanlon, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**10. C0158-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That contractors that work in the city have a designated staging area for their equipment and construction materials when they are going to be working in a designated area for more than three days.

Councilor Rogers explained the ordinance has been shaped to allow limited use of non-toxic turf in special circumstances. It puts decisions on turf materials under council authority rather than just assuming turf moving forward. This protects against potentially harmful materials.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Ordain
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Marchese
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**11. C0302-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Mirlande Felissaint as Director of Elections/Registrar for a for a term ending January 5, 2026  
Item Number {{item.number}}

Councilor Garcia said equipment is being left in streets and blocking crosswalks for prolonged periods, causing safety hazards. She wants contractors to get equipment off streets if work spans more than a few days.

An amendment was made to specify "3 days" rather than "a few days." Garcia wants the policy to include contractors legally parking equipment when it is staged, not blocking crosswalks.

Refer resolution to city engineer as amended, requesting a response by October 28

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**12. C0271-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

A resolution requesting an update from the administration on plans to equip public buildings and spaces with free public WIFI for residents to utilize.

Councilor DiPierro shared a response from the mayor outlining current free public WiFi offerings at several municipal buildings. The mayor's office and elder/youth services are collaborating to expand computer and WiFi access at the Connolly Center using digital navigator grant funds.

The administration is also working with the state broadband initiative to identify funding to expand free WiFi to open/recreational spaces. DiPierro wants to continue pursuing this, seeing internet access as an essential service today. He asked to revisit the issue in a few months for any updates.

Refer resolution back to sponsor

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	

**13. C0297B-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$130,000.00 from the Capital Stabilization account for the following 2 capital improvement projects and purchases:

# 1 Inspectional Services Vehicles \$65,000

# 2 Engineering Vehicles \$65,000

TOTAL: \$130,000.00

City Engineer Eric Swanson explained the appropriation would replace outdated vehicles that engineering staff use to respond to off-hours and weekend work as needed, sometimes outside city limits.

Councilors questioned if city vehicles should be taken home and suggested reimbursing personal vehicle use instead. Swanson said it is more efficient for staff to have vehicles with them for off-hours response.

Councilor Pietrantonio asked how often off-hours response was needed in the last month; Swanson said 4 times.

Favorable action to appropriate \$130,000 for Inspectional Services and Engineering vehicles

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Alcy Jabouin
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**14. C0314-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting that the Everett City Council discuss and vote on an appeal of a 30-day suspension of the Second Class Motor Dealer License granted to Boston Motor Sports located at 47 Mystic Street.

Attorney Mike Kelly, representing Boston Motor Sports, argued:

- The 30-day suspension stems from a misunderstood incident in 2022 where a customer test driving a car was mistakenly thought to be using the car for hire. The dealership does not rent cars.
- The dealership has been trying to get its license back since 2022. A recent appeals board ordered it reinstated pending inspection, which hasn't occurred.

- Alleged zoning violations have been or will be addressed. The owner does work sufficient hours there. Item Number {{item.number}}

Trooper Lawrence and Sergeant Gaff detailed a pattern of violations and uncooperative behavior by the dealership over two years, including:

- In February 2022, two separate traffic stops found paper license plates from the dealership, one apparently counterfeit. This led to plate confiscation and a 30-day suspension.
- Inspections before and after have found used car inventory records incomplete, too many cars on the lot, and plates being misused on cars for test drives.
- The dealership has been uncooperative in addressing issues. The owner, who is the license holder, is rarely present.

Councilors discussed options, seeking a balance between giving the business another chance and protecting public safety.

Deny the appeal and conditionally reinstate the license past the 30-day suspension, subject to inspections by the city clerk, police, and state police. Impose a 90-day probationary period where any violations can trigger immediate revocation hearings.

The city clerk recommended a conditional reinstatement allowing him to re-inspect and verify all violations are addressed before returning the license. Any further violations through year-end would allow immediately revoking the license. The license is up for renewal in 60-90 days where additional conditions could be set.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## NEW BUSINESS

### 15. C0319-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Katy Rogers

That the City & State improve the infrastructure for bike lanes along Alford Street & the Alford Street Bridge

Councilor Rogers explained a resident who frequently bikes between Everett and Boston contacted the council about safety issues on the Alford Street bridge bike lanes. Protective barricades separating the bike lanes from car traffic were removed earlier this year.

While the roadway falls under City of Boston jurisdiction, Rogers feels if Everett is going to have bike lanes, they need to meet safety standards. She proposes asking Boston to reinstall the protective barricades that were previously in place.

Refer resolution to City of Boston Transportation Department

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**16. C0320-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An Order calling for the 2024 Presidential Election

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**17. C0321-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the DPW Director appear at the next meeting to update the Council on how the DPW is doing

Invite DPW Director to the October 28 council meeting

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

**18. C0324-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the administration provide an update on appointment of the permanent fire chief now that the results from the assessment center have been posted

Item Number (non-number)  
Item Number (non-number)

Councilors Martins, Smith and Pietrantonio noted this item has been pending while awaiting the assessment center process for fire chief candidates. The assessment is now complete and results posted, but no appointment has been made and the council hasn't received the results. They are seeking an update on when a decision will be made.

Refer to Mayor for update by October 27 council meeting

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**19. C0325-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That parking enforcement consider changing the focus of enforcement to cover needs in the residential areas rather than emphasizing enforcement that hurts small businesses

Councilor Martins relayed complaints that parking enforcement disproportionately targets businesses, while residents want more enforcement in neighborhoods. She acknowledged the work of the parking enforcement staff, but is seeking a more balanced strategy that doesn't hurt businesses. Some specific examples were shared of improper tickets.

Suspend rules to add Councilor Smith as co-sponsor

Refer resolution to Parking Enforcement / Sgt. Gaff and Chad Longo

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**20. C0326-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration and/or engineering department consider creating a list of

standards or a final punch list for construction sites across the city and actually check each site prior to payment being released to make sure job sites are cleaned up and built to satisfaction

Councilor Martins wants to ensure the city has a clear checklist of standards for closing out construction projects and inspects sites for compliance before issuing final payments. This relates to earlier discussions about National Grid projects.

Refer to Engineering Department for a response by October 28 on feasibility and what a standards checklist would include

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

21. **C0327-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the Director of Engineering appear at the next GOPS meeting to explain why permit applications have been taking months for approval with no response or communications with applicants

Councilor Martins reported receiving multiple complaints about permit applications languishing for long periods - up to 8-12 months - with the engineering department, with no communication to applicants. Some have escalated to the mayor or threatened to go to the building commissioner.

Martins wants the engineering director to appear at the next public safety committee meeting to explain the delays and lack of communication. She offered to provide specific addresses and examples. Alternatively, she said the director could provide a written explanation.

Invite Director of Engineering to the next Public Safety Committee meeting or provide a written response regarding permit delays

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**22. C0328-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the city considers giving staff parking stickers to all Everett Public Schools employees for use in school parking lots

Councilor Garcia said teachers reported issues with school parking lots designated for staff being used by neighbors for overnight parking. A taxi was even parked in one school lot for a day.

The traffic department responded quickly by posting signs designating the lots for teacher parking only from 7am-3pm. However, Garcia fears signs alone won't deter violations. She proposes issuing stickers to teachers and school staff to place in their cars, clearly marking their authorized parking status. This would aid parking enforcement in ticketing violators.

Refer resolution to Parking Department

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**23. C0329-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the Substance Abuse Services Coordinator Chris Simonelli appears at our October 28th meeting to discuss his role and data for calls and placements

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**SUMMARY:** The resolution is self-explanatory per Councilor Garcia - they are seeking to have the Substance Abuse Services Coordinator appear at the next council meeting to discuss his work and related data.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>



<b>AYES:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**24. C0330-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Guerline Alcy-Jabouin

That the administration considers allocating funds to add multilingual translation services to city council meetings

Councilor Garcia said this request, for the administration to fund translation services at council meetings, has come from residents since before her tenure. It's an important need to include residents.

Councilor Martins clarified the council process requires the mayor to propose an appropriation, unlike the school committee which funded translation services directly. She suggested referring the item to both the administration and council president.

Councilor Hanlon agreed translation is needed, noting several residents gave public comments entirely in foreign languages, which he could not understand. Based on public comments, he believes 4 languages may require translation. He supports referring it to the mayor.

Suspend rules to add Councilor Alcy Jabouin as cosponsor

Refer resolution to Mayor and Council President for review and possible appropriation

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**25. C0332-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Katy L. Rogers, Councilor Anthony DiPierro, Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Guerline Alcy-Jabouin, Councilor Wayne Matewsky, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

Resolution calling for the passage of question 2 to replace the MCAS graduation requirement

Councilor Martins moved to allow any other councilors to be added as cosponsors. The final resolved clause supports passing ballot question 2 to replace the MCAS graduation requirement with a determination that students have completed local

district graduation standards.

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Councilor Hanlon opposed the resolution, arguing MCAS incentivizes achievement and removing the requirement will lower standards.

Councilors Garcia and Rogers supported the resolution based on their experiences with MCAS in Everett schools. They argued "teaching to the test" hindered their education, and a single test should not overrule a student's entire academic record or dictate their future.

Add Councilor Alcy Jabouin as cosponsor

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Hanlon
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**26. C0333-24 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin**

An ordinance that the City Council consider voting to remove the TDM ordinance

Councilor Alcy Jabouin argued the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) ordinance has allowed developers to overbuild with insufficient parking. Despite widespread resident opposition to overdevelopment voiced at zoning and planning board meetings, the boards say their hands are tied by the TDM ordinance - only the council can change it. She asked for a favorable vote to remove the ordinance.

Councilor Smith asked if removing the ordinance would leave a void needing to be filled. Councilor Pietrantonio suggested it would revert to the prior ordinance requiring 2 parking spots per unit.

Councilor Smith said she was unsure of the implications of removing the ordinance and wanted the issue referred to Legislative Affairs to determine what if any replacement language may be needed before removing it.

Refer ordinance to Legislative Affairs committee

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
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<b>MOVER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin	Item Number {{{item.number}}}
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**27. C0334-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

A resolution that the Administration consider replenishing the Emergency Food and Shelter Assistant Program Account at the Connolly Center from the ARPA funds as their budget has dried out

Councilor Alcy Jabouin reported an instance of an elderly resident seeking help paying utility bills at City Hall and being turned away due to lack of funds. The Connolly Center has a similar emergency assistance fund but it too was depleted. She asked the administration to consider using ARPA money to replenish that Connolly Center fund.

Refer to Mayor for response by October 28 meeting

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**28. C0335-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Administration provide the City Council with copies of any lease, rental or operating agreements in effect at the former Everett High School by and between the City of Everett and the Broadway Boxing Club, and the City of Everett and the Elliot Family Resource Center

Council President Van Campen reported emailing the administration 3 times since September 10, copying staff, requesting copies of lease agreements with non-educational tenants at the old high school. He has received no response or acknowledgment despite a stated goal of cooperation and transparency. His objective is getting information in order to relocate tenants and reuse the building for school space, addressing overcrowding.

Seeing no response, he ordered the resolution referred to the administration with leases to be provided to the council by the October 28 meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**29. C0336-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the Administration provide the City Council with an update on its ongoing efforts to reclaim the former Everett High School for expanded school purposes, including the relocation of certain other non-educational uses within the facility, and the reuse and redevelopment of the former Pope John property

As a follow up to the previous item, Council President Van Campen said his unanswered emails also asked for updates on plans to relocate non-school tenants from the old high school and an update on reuse plans for the former Pope John school property. Councilor Garcia is a cosponsor since Pope John is in her ward.

Van Campen asked to refer the item to the administration for at least an acknowledgment of his emails and an update in some form by the October 28 meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## MAINTENANCE REQUESTS

**A.** Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That the DPW sign division replace the stop sign at the corner of Plumer St and Cottage St, at the request of area residents  
This maintenance request will be referred directly to DPW.

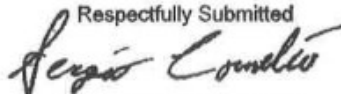
## ADJOURNMENT

<b>MOTION:</b>	Adjourn
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**MOVER:** Anthony DiPierro  
**SECONDER:** Michael Marchese  
**RESULT:** Passed [0 TO 0]  
**AYES:**  
**NAYS:**  
**AWAY:**

Item Number {{item.number}}

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted  
  
Clerk of the City Council



## MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024 7:00 PM

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

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#### ROLL CALL

##### Members Present

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

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

1. **C0339-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from Greystar in the amount of \$43,103.44 for the purpose of purchasing and installing a Blue Bike station (one fifteen-unit Bicycle Station) at 25 Garvey Street

Items 1 and 2 were taken up collectively. A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded by Councilor Martins for favorable action on the items and to send letters of thanks to the donors. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**2. C0344-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Davis Companies in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Youth Development and Enrichment Summer Jobs Training Program

Items 1 and 2 were taken up collectively. A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded by Councilor Martins for favorable action on the items and to send letters of thanks to the donors. The motion passed unanimously via roll call vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**3. C0323-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval of the re-appointment of Eamon Kernan to the Conservation Commission for a term of three (3) years expiring October 31, 2027.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [11 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**4. C0158-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That contractors that work in the city have a designated staging area for their

equipment and construction materials when they are going to be working in a designated area for more than three days. Item Number {{item.number}}

Councilor Garcia stated that she received communication that the engineering department will coordinate with the police and fire departments to identify locations for material and equipment storage prior to issuing street work permits. She requested a written update on the communication by the November 12th meeting. A motion to that effect was made, seconded, and passed unanimously via voice vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

5. **C0249-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen & the Entire Membership of the City Council

That the Inspectional Services Department strictly enforce all front-yard parking violations throughout the City of Everett.

Councilor Van Campen expressed disappointment in not receiving a communication from Inspectional Services with details on the number of violations cited, as requested at a prior meeting. He made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rogers, to postpone the item to the November 12th meeting and again request written communication on the number of citations issued. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

6. **C0260-24** Ordinance/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An ordinance proposing the addition of two new sections to Appendix A – Zoning of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett: Section 36 – Master Planned Development and Section 37 - Everett Docklands Innovation District (“EDID”)



Councilor Van Campen expressed disappointment in not receiving a communication from Inspectional Services with details on the number of violations cited, as requested at a prior meeting. He made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rogers, to postpone the item to the November 12th meeting and again request written communication on the number of citations issued. The motion passed unanimously via voice vote. Favorable action on ordinance as amended

Item Number {item number}

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [8 TO 3]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	DiPierro, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Pietrantonio
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**7. C0296-24** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to install the following gas mains:

- Approximately 1,100 feet of 8-inch gas mains in Boston Street;
- Approximately 350 feet of 6-inch gas main in Third Street;
- Approximately 200 feet of 8-inch gas main in Second Street; and
- Approximately 10 feet of 6-inch gas main crossing Second Street.

A National Grid representative, Diana Cuddy, appeared before the council to address concerns over construction equipment storage, traffic management, paving and inspections. She stated the customer requesting the work can provide storage to keep equipment off the street, a traffic management plan will be submitted, an on-site contractor supervisor will be present, and a new inspection process is in place for failed patches.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 1]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	Rogers
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**8. C0302-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Mirlande Felissaint as Director of Elections/Registrar for a for a term ending January 5, 2026

Reconsideration was requested by Councilor John F. Hanlon on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 10:15 AM

Item Number (item number)  
Councilor Hanlon explained that upon investigation, he felt the appointee was qualified for the position and requested reconsideration to give her "another shot." Councilors debated the merits of reconsidering a vote that failed in subcommittee and full council. A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded to reconsider the item. The motion failed 5-6 on a roll call vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Reconsider
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Failed [5 TO 6]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	DiPierro, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky
<b>NAYS:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>AWAY:</b>	

9. **C0321-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the DPW Director appear at the next meeting to update the Council on how the DPW is doing

Councilor Pietrantonio stated he was informed he did not follow the charter by giving the DPW director 7 days notice and questions in advance, which he felt was unnecessary. He made a motion, seconded by Councilor DiPierro, to lay the item on the table until he can provide the required notice. President Van Campen agreed but expressed concern about inconsistent application of notice requirements.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

10. **C0324-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the administration provide an update on appointment of the permanent fire chief now that the results from the assessment center have been posted

Councilor Smith stated that communication was received at 4:36pm indicating the Mayor will confirm appointment of the new fire chief at the November 12th meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**11. C0326-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration and/or engineering department consider creating a list of standards or a final punch list for construction sites across the city and actually check each site prior to payment being released to make sure job sites are cleaned up and built to satisfaction

Councilor Matewsky made a motion, seconded by Councilor Garcia, to lay the item on the table until a response is received from the administration.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**12. C0329-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the Substance Abuse Services Coordinator Chris Simonelli appears at our October 28th meeting to discuss his role and data for calls and placements

Chris Simonelli, the city's Substance Abuse Services Coordinator, appeared before the council to discuss the city's program to provide treatment referrals and scholarships for sober living. He detailed the referral process, insurance requirements, facilities used, and data on placements. Councilors asked about treatment specifics, work with other departments, and demographics of those served.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	

**13. C0334-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

A resolution that the Administration consider replenishing the Emergency Food and Shelter Assistant Program Account at the Connolly Center from the ARPA funds as their budget has dried out

CFO Eric Demas appeared to explain that the food and shelter program is grant-funded by FEMA via the state, not through the city budget. A delay in federal funding and a state error in making out a check caused a temporary shortfall, but the \$56,000 state payment is in process. ARPA funds are used for food insecurity and housing assistance, but cannot cover utility payments. After discussion, a motion was made by Councilor Alcy Jabouin, seconded, to refer the item to the administration until an update is received on when the account will be funded. Refer to administration for update on funding.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Guerline Alcy Jabouin
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**14. C0335-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Administration provide the City Council with copies of any lease, rental or operating agreements in effect at the former Everett High School by and between the City of Everett and the Broadway Boxing Club, and the City of Everett and the Elliot Family Resource Center

Items 14 and 15 were taken up collectively. President Van Campen made a motion, seconded by Councilor Garcia, to postpone both items to the November 12th meeting, as emails with the requested information were just received prior to the meeting. He requested the communications be included in the next agenda packet. The motion to postpone passed unanimously on a voice vote.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**15. C0336-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the Administration provide the City Council with an update on its ongoing efforts to reclaim the former Everett High School for expanded school purposes, including the relocation of certain other non-educational uses within the facility, and the reuse and redevelopment of the former Pope John property

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<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**NEW BUSINESS**

**16. C0340-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That the auto repair company at 35 Garden St stop parking their cars on the sidewalks, double parking, and repairing and cleaning cars on the street, which is in violation of their license.

Councilor Matewsky expressed concern about an auto repair business at 35 Garden Street violating their license by parking and working on cars on the street and sidewalk in an area with increasing residential development. He read a partial response from the assistant city clerk who investigated the complaint. Matewsky made a motion, seconded by Councilor Smith, to refer the item to the code enforcement department for follow-up and to include the council's resolution with the business's license renewal paperwork in January.

Refer to code enforcement, attach resolution to license renewal

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky

<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**17. C0341-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Director of Planning & Development provide an update and timeline of the ongoing Zoning Ordinance re-codification process, as well as a schedule for any public/community outreach meetings

President Van Campen made a motion, seconded by Councilor Smith, to postpone the item to the November 12th meeting. He requested the planning director provide a detailed written summary of the recodification status and timeline by November 6th so it can be included in the agenda packet.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**18. C0342-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Katy Rogers

That the tree warden for the City of Everett provide the City Council with the process, procedure and timeframe that is followed when determining the removal and/or placement of public shade trees throughout the City

President Van Campen made a motion, seconded, to add Councilor Rogers as a co-sponsor, which passed unanimously on a voice vote. Van Campen then made a motion, seconded by Councilor Rogers, to request written communication from the tree warden explaining the process for removing and planting public shade trees, to be provided by the Wednesday before the November 12th meeting for inclusion in the agenda packet. Amended to add Councilor Rogers as co-sponsor. Request written communication from tree warden by Nov. 6.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

19. **C0343-24** Order/s/ Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin Item Number {{item.number}}

That the Everett City Council engage the State Auditor's office for an audit of accounts, programs, activities and other public functions (in accordance with Mass General Law Part I, Title II, Chapter 11, Section 12).

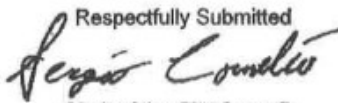
Councilor Alcy Jabouin stated she contacted the State Auditor's office about an audit to show the city's commitment to transparency and accountability. The auditor indicated they would perform an audit if approved by the council and administration. A motion was made to change the item from a resolution to an order, which passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Councilor Smith expressed support for an audit but wanted more information on the scope and cost. She made a motion, seconded by Councilor DiPierro, to refer the item to the Legislative Affairs subcommittee to get more details from the auditor's office. The item was amended from a resolution to an order.  
Refer item to Legislative Affairs subcommittee.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted  
  
Clerk of the City Council



## MEETING MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024 7:00 PM

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

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#### ROLL CALL

##### Members Present

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

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **C0347-24** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to relocate JO Pole #1049-0 approximately 35 feet southeast to address a future clearance issue regarding the service drop to 10 Thorndike Street

The petitioner was not present. President Van Campen asked three times for anyone in favor or opposed to the petition to come forward, with no response.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR**, Item Number {{item.number}}

**2. C0345-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from Mastrocola Insurance Agency in the amount of \$500.00 to Youth Development and Enrichment in support of their Holiday Family Resource Fair

Suspend rules and take items 2-5 collectively. A typo was noted in item 5 that the total donation amount was \$165, not \$165,000. A motion was made and seconded for favorable action on items 2-5 collectively and to send a letter of thanks.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**3. C0348-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept a donation from Ocean State Job Lots in the amount of \$970.00 which represents the amount discounted from the purchase of toys for the 2024 Annual Toy Drive

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**4. C0349-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept a donation from Everett Supply and True Value Hardware of the use of a U-Haul Rental Truck for the purpose of picking up toys purchased for the City's Annual Toy Drive. The value of this donation is \$100.00

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**5. C0350-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations totaling \$165.00.00 from City of Everett employees during the months of September and October for the Fire Victims Fund. Employees are given the opportunity to wear jeans on Thursdays by making a \$5.00 to the Fire Victims Fund

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Hanlon
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**6. C0360-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of reconstructing sidewalks, bus stops and provide other roadway improvements on Broadway between Maple Avenue and Timothy Avenue

A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded to refer the item to the Committee on Public Service, Government Operations and Public Safety, superseding an initial motion for favorable action. The motion to refer passed. The City Engineer will be invited to the committee meeting. Councilor Smith requested the Director of Transportation also be invited.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**7. C0362-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting confirmation on promoting the following Everett Police Department personnel :Lieutenant Sean Bagley to Captain, Lieutenant Paul Molea to Captain, Sergeant William Fox to Lieutenant, Sergeant Robert Hall to Lieutenant, Officer Nicholas Crowell to Sergeant, Officer Stephen Sabella to Sergeant

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**8. C0363-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting confirmation on the appointment of Jamey Thompson to the Everett Police Department.

President Van Campen reported the administration withdrew the order as the applicant decided to stay at his current police department. A motion was made and seconded to place the item on file.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**9. C0364-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

That in accordance with Section 3-3 of the City Charter and, Article 5 of the City of Everett Administrative Code, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by the City Council, the following individuals as members of the Transportation Advisory Board for a term of one (1) year expiring November 12, 2025: Katharina Bormann, Pharm D, Maurose Denis, Jarod Evenson, Jo Oltman, Aya Oulal , Andrea Porras, Derek Shooster

A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded by Councilor Smith to refer the appointments in item 9 to the Committee on Legislative Affairs and Elections, which passed unanimously. President Van Campen requested that any resumes or documents associated with the appointees be sent to the committee. Councilor Smith requested the Director of Transportation be invited to explain the duties of the new committee.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**10. C0365-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

I hereby appoint subject to confirmation by the City Council, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 31, Section IV (C) (II) (a) of the City’s Administrative Code and Article II, Section 8-60 of the Revised General Ordinances, Acting Fire Chief Joseph M. Hickey to the position of permanent Fire Chief in the Everett Fire Department effective November 12, 2024 for a term of three (3) years

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**PETITIONS AND LICENSES**

**11. C0355-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Affordable Auto Mechanic Inc. at 83 Vine Street

A motion was made by Councilor DiPierro and seconded by Councilor Smith to suspend the rules and take items 11-15 collectively, which passed unanimously. Clerk Napolitano read the items. Councilor Hanlon asked if there were any issues with the license renewals. Clerk Napolitano stated all paperwork was complete with no problems reported.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**12. C0356-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Best

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**13. C0357-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Circle Auto Body Inc. at 26 Thorndike Street

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**14. C0358-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Parkway Auto Sales at 1673 Revere Beach Pkwy

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**15. C0359-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Parway Motor Sales at 2034 Revere Beach Pkwy

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**16. C0158-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That contractors that work in the city have a designated staging area for their equipment and construction materials when they are going to be working in a designated area for more than three days.

Councilor Garcia received a response from the City Engineer that they will be working on a plan to improve the construction process for the next season. She requested the item be referred back to the City Engineer for an update before spring construction begins.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**17. C0249-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen & the Entire Membership of the City Council

That the Inspectional Services Department strictly enforce all front-yard parking violations throughout the City of Everett.

President Van Campen reported he has been working with the Inspectional Services Director on front yard parking violations that make parts of the city look bad, equating cars parked on yards to litter. The number of violations is small but noticeable. The director provided the standard procedure for addressing violations. Van Campen is satisfied they are working to address the issue and moved to refer the item back to sponsor, with follow-up later if needed.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**18. C0321-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio Item Number {{item.number}}

That the DPW Director appear at the next meeting to update the Council on how the DPW is doing

The DPW Director requested postponement as he is on vacation. Councilor Pietrantonio moved to lay the item over to the November 25th meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**19. C0326-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration and/or engineering department consider creating a list of standards or a final punch list for construction sites across the city and actually check each site prior to payment being released to make sure job sites are cleaned up and built to satisfaction

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**20. C0335-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Administration provide the City Council with copies of any lease, rental or operating agreements in effect at the former Everett High School by and between the City of Everett and the Broadway Boxing Club, and the City of Everett and the Elliot Family Resource Center

A motion was made by President Van Campen and seconded by Councilor Smith to suspend the rules and take items 20-21 collectively, which passed unanimously. Van Campen thanked the administration for providing lease documents for the former high school and Pope John properties. He expressed concern about allowing uses in a public building without formalized lease agreements, which he believes are required by state law. The Elliot Family Resource Center lease seems to have expired and is on a month-to-month basis, which he doesn't think can continue indefinitely without renewal or renegotiation. He will follow up with the City Solicitor.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**21. C0336-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the Administration provide the City Council with an update on its ongoing efforts to reclaim the former Everett High School for expanded school purposes, including the relocation of certain other non-educational uses within the facility, and the reuse and redevelopment of the former Pope John property

Council President Van Campen clarified his vote against the \$72 million appropriation for the former high school was due to constituent concerns about too many uses planned for the building if a 7th-8th grade academy is included, not opposition to keeping the Elliot Center or Broadway Boxing Club in the facility. A letter from the Mayor indicated the Mount Vernon Group is studying space to keep those uses in the building. Van Campen said re-appropriating the funds while those uses remain will be a hard sell. Councilor Garcia said residents reached out with safety concerns about the building being like "Grand Central Station." They want to know the plans for Pope John and the old high school with two available buildings.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**22. C0341-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Director of Planning & Development provide an update and timeline of the ongoing Zoning Ordinance re-codification process, as well as a schedule for any public/community outreach meetings

The Planning Director informed President Van Campen that the full zoning recodification draft is nearly complete and under internal staff review before being released to the community, City Council and Planning Board. Van Campen emphasized the need for community meetings so the public can review and comment on the changes before adoption, not just Planning Board and City Council public hearings. The director indicated those outreach meetings will happen over the next



<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**23. C0342-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Katy Rogers

That the tree warden for the City of Everett provide the City Council with the process, procedure and timeframe that is followed when determining the removal and/or placement of public shade trees throughout the City

Councilors Van Campen and Rogers corresponded with Tree Warden Jacob St. Louis who reported an overall plan to increase trees citywide. Councilor Rogers has discussed potential tree memorial dedications and new tree pits in areas like Hancock Street that lack shade. St. Louis informed them of the process for both removing and planting trees, including how areas are identified and prepared.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**NEW BUSINESS**

**24. C0351-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

In the interest of public safety - and where it serves as a gateway into Swan Street Park - that the Department of Public Works and Engineering Department determine the feasibility of a raised intersection at Kinsman, Wall and Tappan Streets

President Van Campen moved to refer the item to the DPW Director and City Engineer for a written response at the November 25th meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**25. C0352-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

That the Director of Planning & Development provide an explanation and summary of the Affordable Housing Linkage Fee Program, including all revenues collected since its inception, the current balance in the Affordable Housing Linkage Fee Revolving Fund, and an itemization of the investments in affordable housing that have been made through this critical program since its creation.

President Van Campen and other councilors have discussed with community members how important Affordable Housing Linkage Fee program is functioning to create and sustain truly affordable housing. Van Campen spoke with the Planning Director and requested this information so the Council and public can see how much money the program brings in, the current balance, and what it is being spent on. He moved to postpone the item to the first December meeting with a request for the information.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**26. C0353-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen & the Entire Membership of the City Council

In the interest of greater transparency, that the resumes and any other materials reviewed in connection with an applicant presented by the Administration for consideration and appointment by the City Council, be provided as part of the agenda item submission

President Van Campen said the intent of the item is obvious and he imagines all councilors would want to see applicant resumes and materials when considering appointments. He moved to include the entire Council as cosponsors unless there were objections, which passed. Councilor Smith noted a previous attempt to do this was rejected by the City Solicitor due to personal information in resumes, which is why they are provided in councilor mailboxes instead of agenda packets. But she was willing to try again. Van Campen said to the extent allowed by law, having resumes and information to review appointee qualifications would be helpful, noting a recent Conservation Commission appointee did submit a resume that became public record. He moved to refer the item to the administration in the hope it can be implemented, as the community likes to see the backgrounds of appointees to various boards and positions.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**27. C0354-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin & the Entire Membership of the City Council

That the Administration take immediate steps to improve the senior meals program, including potentially terminating the current contract and engaging a new vendor.

President Van Campen said this may be another item to include the full Council as sponsors and moved to amend it as such, which passed. He deferred to the original sponsors but said every councilor has likely received complaints or seen photos of the clearly inferior meals compared to what seniors are accustomed to. The city tries to provide top-notch services for seniors but is currently failing in this area as the meals are unappetizing. He wants the administration to find a solution to get back to providing high-quality food.

Councilor Pietrantonio said the administration is failing seniors like they are failing schoolchildren. He said there are two good prior vendors that have been used and questioned the need to go to Lynn for the service instead of keeping money in the city.

Councilor Alcy Jabouin said cost is always the concern for not using local restaurants, but food is expensive everywhere. With available ARPA funds, money should not be the reason for not hiring local businesses that have provided great meals for seniors.

Councilor Matewsky noted the lunch program provides 400-500 meals and recently changed to an out-of-town vendor. He said people aren't expecting gourmet meals, but the program offers more than just food - the delivery people are sometimes the only daily visitor for isolated seniors. In one case, the "lunch man" potentially saved his brother's life by alerting that he wasn't answering the door and had fallen in his apartment. Matewsky called it one of the best city programs. Matewsky then raised concerns about the Church Street food program at the Armory being discontinued, perhaps due to lack of funds, and reported long lines observed with no one he recognized over multiple weeks.

Councilor Garcia recalled a similar situation in 2021 with poor quality sandwiches from another vendor. She suggested opening the contract only to Everett vendors since there has been success with them.

Van Campen concluded that immediate action by the administration is needed. A motion was made and seconded to refer the item to the administration for that

purpose.

Item Number {{item.number}}

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Robert Van Campen
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**28. C0361-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

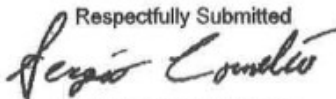
That the Elections Director appear at the next meeting to give an update on any issues that may have occurred during the election, as well as anything that could be done in the future to make it run better.

Councilor Pietrantonio moved to lay the item over to the next meeting and send a letter to the Elections Director to see if she wants questions beforehand, which he will submit to the clerk by the Nov 18th deadline.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM

Respectfully Submitted  
  
Clerk of the City Council



**MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 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, John Hanlon, Michael Marchese, Stephanie Martins, Wayne Matewsky, Peter Pietrantonio, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Smith**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of 07/22/2024

The 3 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of 08/18/2024

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	Item Number {{{item.number}}}
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of 09/09/2024

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

### 1. **C0368-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation to the Office of Human Services from the Kiwanis Club of Everett of 150 turkeys and dinner fixings, valued at \$6,600.00 for the 2024 Holiday Assistance Program.

Councilor Anthony DiPierro moved to take items 1-6 collectively. The motion was seconded by Councilor Stephanie Martins. The clerk read items 1-6, which are all orders from Council President Van Campen requesting approval to accept and expend various donations to city departments for holiday assistance programs and decorations. Councilor Stephanie Martins moved for favorable action, seconded by Councilor Stephanie Smith.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

### 2. **C0377-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Stop and Shop in the amount of \$42.00 to the Council on Aging as part of their Bloomin' 4 Good Program

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins

<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**3. C0379-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation to the Office of Human Services from the Eagle Bank of McKinnon’s gift cards totaling \$1,000.00 for the 2024 Holiday Assistance Program

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**4. C0380-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation to the Office of Human Services from Gray Bar of Wilmington, McKinnon’s gift cards totaling \$550.00, as well as groceries with an estimated value of \$300.00 for Holiday Assistance Program.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**5. C0381-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation to the Youth Development and Enrichment Department from Wegmans of one gift card totaling \$500.00 to support the 2024 Holiday Family Resource Fair

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>

<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**6. C0385-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation to the City of Everett from Encore Boston Harbor of 166 Fraser Fir Decorated Kissing Balls valued at \$8,217 to decorate Route 99 and Broadway

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**7. C0391-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$39,425 to purchase one Electric Vehicle Charging station with two ports for the Victoria Street Parking Lot

Councilor Katy Rogers moved to take items 7 and 8 collectively, seconded by Councilor Stephanie Martins. The clerk read the items, which are orders from the Council President to accept grants related to electric vehicle charging and support for the Electrify Everett program. Councilor Rogers moved for favorable action, seconded by Councilor Martins.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**8. C0392-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the US Department of Energy in the amount of \$300,000 to support the Electrify Everett team and its mission of ensuring residents have better access to education on utility support and energy-saving resources



<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	Item Number {{{item.number}}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Katy Rogers	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**9. C0393-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$66,500 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Treasurer/Collector other expenses account. This appropriation is necessary to cover the e-check fees for the remainder of the year, as well as resident stickers, postage fees and lockbox services

Referred to Weighs and Means Committee.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>		
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**PETITIONS AND LICENSES**

**10. C0376-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition for a class two motor vehicle dealer license renewal for Everett Auto Gallery at 1847 Revere Beach Pkwy

Councilor Stephanie Martins moved to take items 10, 11, 12 and 14 collectively and off the calendar as they are all license renewals and the business owners are waiting. The motion was seconded. All petitions from the Council President for class two motor vehicle dealer license renewals.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith	

<b>NAYS:</b>	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**11. C0382-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for European Motor Auto Sales at 511 Second Street

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**12. C0383-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for White's Auto Sales at 79 Vine Street

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**13. C0384-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a redemption center license for Le Redemption Center at 74 Spring Street

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Wayne Matewsky
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**14. C0394-24** Petition/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for RM Auto Sales at 138 Spring Street

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	Item Number {{item.number}}
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**15. C0360-24** Order/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of reconstructing sidewalks, bus stops and provide other roadway improvements on Broadway between Maple Avenue and Timothy Avenue

Councilor Smith moved to accept the committee report and for favorable action. Councilor Garcia summarized that at a previous meeting, she asked questions and got clarification that this grant amount covers the total project cost, any additional fees will be National Grid's responsibility, and there will be no bump outs or widening of sidewalks, just repair of existing sidewalks that are in poor condition.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action	
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro	
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [10 TO 0]</b>	
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith	
<b>NAYS:</b>		
<b>AWAY:</b>		

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**16. C0321-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the DPW Director appear at the next meeting to update the Council on how the DPW is doing

Councilor Pietrantonio said he had provided the director some basic questions in advance about parks, dog parks, winter staffing and snow operations. Director Navarra provided updates on several new and upcoming park projects, dog park plans, adjustments to winter operations management due to a staff member's medical leave, preparations of snow removal equipment and subcontractor rates. Councilors asked follow up questions about street sweeping, tree planting, curb heights, electrical

boxes and landscaping related to recent roadway projects. The discussion concluded with Councilor Pietrantonio thanking the director for his time and referring the item back to sponsor. Item Number {item number}

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**17. C0326-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the administration and/or engineering department consider creating a list of standards or a final punch list for construction sites across the city and actually check each site prior to payment being released to make sure job sites are cleaned up and built to satisfaction

Councilor Martins expressed frustration that this was the third or fourth time the item has been on the agenda without getting an adequate response from the administration, even when the engineering director was present in the audience previously. She stated the importance of the council getting answers on behalf of residents about how construction sites are supervised and cleaned up. The clerk read the full written response provided by the engineering director, which Councilor Martins felt was still not specific enough. She made a motion to keep the item on the table, postpone to the next meeting, and refer again to the engineering department for the director to provide a more detailed response in person or in writing.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**18. C0336-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the Administration provide the City Council with an update on its ongoing efforts to reclaim the former Everett High School for expanded school purposes, including the relocation of certain other non-educational uses within the facility, and the reuse and

Councilor Garcia said they received an email response but still hope to get more detailed answers by the December 9th meeting, as the school department needs the additional space those properties could provide. Councilor DiPierro seconded a motion to postpone the item to December 9th.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**19. C0347-24** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to relocate JO Pole #1049-0 approximately 35 feet southeast to address a future clearance issue regarding the service drop to 10 Thorndike Street

Councilor Martins moved to invite the petitioner to speak, seconded by Councilor Smith. Petitioner from National Grid explained the need to move the jointly-owned pole to accommodate customer equipment and maintain proper clearances. Councilors Matewsky and Pietrantonio asked questions to clarify the exact location, impact on neighboring properties, and that the new pole location would not obstruct the sidewalk. Petitioner stated the pole is staying on the same side of the street next to a parking area, serving the same two commercial buildings, and would not affect any residences. Councilor Martins moved for favorable action, seconded by Councilor Garcia. On the motion, Councilor Rogers stated she would be voting no on all National Grid petitions until the company addresses issues with a previously promised riverwalk.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Favorable Action
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [5 TO 4]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	Alcy Jabouin, Garcia, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Smith
<b>NAYS:</b>	Hanlon, Marchese, Martins, Rogers
<b>AWAY:</b>	DiPierro

**20. C0351-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

In the interest of public safety - and where it serves as a gateway into Swan Street, Park - that the Department of Public Works and Engineering Department determine the feasibility of a raised intersection at Kinsman, Wall and Tappan Streets

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

**21. C0353-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Robert J. Van Campen & the Entire Membership of the City Council

In the interest of greater transparency, that the resumes and any other materials reviewed in connection with an applicant presented by the Administration for consideration and appointment by the City Council, be provided as part of the agenda item submission

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Anthony DiPierro
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**22. C0361-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the Elections Director appear at the next meeting to give an update on any issues that may have occurred during the election, as well as anything that could be done in the future to make it run better.

Councilor Pietrantonio noted they received correspondence from the director indicating she was unable to attend tonight. He made a motion to invite her to the next meeting, seconded by Councilor Rogers.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Postpone
<b>MOVER:</b>	Peter Pietrantonio
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Katy Rogers
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

23. C0369-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That the CFO or Asst Auditor meet with each department to go through their chart of accounts to ensure the correct accounts are set up for each department for recurring expenses. that they provide each department with a description of services that should be be booked to each account and train the clerks on proper booking of expenditures.

Councilor Smith explained the council's role in approving warrants and her extensive process as Ways and Means chair of reviewing all city expenditures. She cited examples of expenses sometimes being miscategorized by departments. The goal of her resolution is to have the CFO, budget director and finance team meet with each department to go over which expenses should be charged to which account numbers, so that the budget is more accurate and transparent. She made a motion to refer this to the CFO and budget director and request a report back on their progress at the first meeting in February.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

24. C0370-24 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That each annual celebration event that the City holds has its own budget and is provided to the City Council as part of the budget proceedings as individual events. Each event should be inclusive of all departments.

Councilor Smith explained that many different departments contribute to events, but it is difficult to get a full picture of the total spent on each one like the 4th of July celebration. To improve transparency, she suggested implementing a tagging system so expenses related to a certain event could be tracked across departments. She made a motion to refer this to the finance department to determine if this is feasible within their systems.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	

**AWAY:**

Item Number {{item.number}}

**25. C0371-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

How much was spent in FY24 in public records requests (include labor hours (if tracked), additional stipends and any outside counsel required).

**MOTION:** Refer  
**MOVER:** Stephanie Smith  
**SECONDER:** Katy Rogers  
**RESULT:** **Passed [0 TO 0]**  
**AYES:**  
**NAYS:**  
**AWAY:**

**26. C0374-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky, & The Entire City Council

That the Boston area postmaster respond to complaints of lost & stolen mail, as well as what steps are being taken to secure Everett mailboxes

Councilor Matewsky asked the clerk to elaborate on his interactions with the post office. The clerk explained some productive cooperation around election mail but agreed that general mail delivery problems persist. Councilor Matewsky cited examples of residents' checks being stolen from mailboxes and fraudulently cashed. He expressed frustration with the post office's main advice being to bring mail inside for better security. Councilor Rogers asked to be added as a cosponsor, noting her mother is afraid to use their local mailbox. Councilor Matewsky moved to amend the item to state that the entire city government is dissatisfied with the post office's performance. Refer amended item 26 to clerk to send letter to postmaster.

**MOTION:** Refer  
**MOVER:** Wayne Matewsky  
**SECONDER:** Katy Rogers  
**RESULT:** **Passed [0 TO 0]**  
**AYES:**  
**NAYS:**  
**AWAY:**

**27. C0375-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

As the 2024 ARPA deadline is approaching, that the CFO provide the City with all allocated and unallocated projects and the amount allocated – including the projects that Archipelago Strategies Group has been running for the Community recipients & the student funding

Councilor Smith explained the funds must be fully obligated via purchase orders by the December 2024 deadline. She is seeking an update from the CFO on which projects have been allocated, which have actually spent money, the amount paid to the



Archipelago Strategies Group to administer the community recipient process, and the status of the \$1 million earmarked for students. Her goal is to ensure the city does not lose out on any of these one-time funds. She made a motion to refer this to the finance department and administration.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**28. C0386-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

That the administration consider allocating part of the \$700,000 of ARPA funds dedicated to businesses to create a loss of revenue assistance program to assist local small businesses recovering from COVID and affected by street construction closures

Councilor Martins stated that small businesses are struggling and need support, with some having to borrow against their homes. She said the city has been sitting on \$700,000 in economic recovery funds that will soon expire. On behalf of businesses, she requested the administration create an emergency loss revenue assistance program that is easy to access. Councilor Alcy Jabouin concurred, emphasizing the importance of distributing the money to the community rather than having to return it. Councilor Martins made a motion to refer this to the administration for an answer by the next meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Stephanie Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**29. C0387-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

That the administration provide an update on the names of the organizations that applied for ARPA funds and the current status before the funds expire

Councilor Martins said a previous request yielded an explanation of the process where applicants also served as panelists, which seemed problematic, but still did not provide a list of the organizations or application status. With the deadline approaching, she again asked for this information. Councilor Alcy Jabouin added that organizations are contacting councilors asking about their applications, but they have no answers to provide. Councilor Martins noted that other cities had dedicated staff to manage ARPA from start to finish, which may have been more efficient than Everett's use of a contractor. She made a motion to refer the item to the administration and CFO for an answer by the next meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Stephanie Martins
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>AWAY:</b>	

**30. C0395-24** Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, & The Entire City Council

In the interest of public health and safety, that the Everett Housing Authority engage in more frequent extermination activities at Glendale Towers, and in all facilities operated by the Authority and raise greater awareness with residents about the need to raise rodent concerns in a more timely fashion

Councilor Garcia said this is an ongoing issue that several councilors have discussed with the housing authority. She shared a response indicating exterminators are on-site weekly, but treatments are hampered by some residents not preparing their units properly. The goal of the resolution is to encourage residents to report pest issues promptly so infestations don't worsen, and to explore any additional steps the housing authority can take. Councilor Garcia made a motion to refer the item to the housing authority and administration for an update at the December 9th meeting. Councilor Marchese seconded and suggested using ARPA funds to replace mattresses, a potential source of bed bugs. Councilor Matewsky recounted the housing authority spending over \$100,000 on a major bed bug remediation effort in 2014 and stressed the importance of educating residents on prevention. Councilor Garcia said all councilors would be added as cosponsors.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Refer
<b>MOVER:</b>	Holly Garcia
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Michael Marchese
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Passed [0 TO 0]</b>
<b>AYES:</b>	

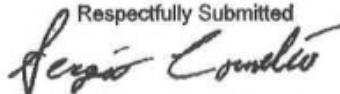
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**AWAY:**

Item Number {{item.number}}

## ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20PM

**MOTION:** Adjourn  
**MOVER:** Michael Marchese  
**SECONDER:** John Hanlon  
**RESULT:** Passed [0 TO 0]  
**AYES:**  
**NAYS:**  
**AWAY:**

Respectfully Submitted  
  
Clerk of the City Council



C0004-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations from Steven S. Luongo to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$500 and to the Office of Human Services in the amount of \$500

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**CARLO DeMARIA**  
**MAYOR**

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December 23, 2024

The Honorable City Council  
City Hall  
484 Broadway  
Everett, Massachusetts 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

I hereby submit for your consideration an order to accept and expend donations from Steven S. Luongo to the Council on Aging in the amount of \$500 and to the Office of Human Services in the amount of \$500.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor



December 23, 2024  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Robert VanCampen, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

to accept and expend donations from Steven S. Luongo to the  
Council on Aging in the amount of \$500 and to the Office of  
Human Services in the amount of \$500.



C0006-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Eagle Bank in the amount of \$500.00 to support the city's annual Tree Lighting Event

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**CARLO DeMARIA**  
**MAYOR**

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December 30, 2024

Honorable City Council  
484 Broadway  
Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

I hereby submit for your consideration an order to accept and expend a donation from the Eagle Bank in the amount of \$500.00 to support the city's annual Tree Lighting Event.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor





December 30, 2024  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Robert VanCampen, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

to accept and expend a donation from the Eagle Bank in the  
amount of \$500.00 to support the city's annual Tree Lighting  
Event.



C0007-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from the Everett Foundation for Aged Persons in the amount of \$11,708.00 to the Council on Aging

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



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December 31, 2024

Honorable City Council  
484 Broadway  
Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

I hereby submit for your consideration an order to accept and expend a donation from the Everett Foundation for Aged Persons in the amount of \$11,708.00 to the Council on Aging.

I recommend your favorable passage of this order.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor



December 31, 2024  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Robert VanCampen, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

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C0012-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order requesting approval to accept and expend donations totaling \$160.00 from City of Everett employees during the month of December for the Fire Victims Fund. Employees are given the opportunity to wear jeans on Thursdays by making a \$5.00 to the Fire Victims Fund. These funds are collected weekly

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**CARLO DeMARIA**  
**MAYOR**

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January 2, 2025

Honorable City Council  
484 Broadway  
Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

I hereby submit for your consideration an order to accept and expend donations totaling \$160.00 from City of Everett employees during the month of December for the Fire Victims Fund. Employees are given the opportunity to wear jeans on Thursdays by making a \$5.00 to the Fire Victims Fund. These funds are collected weekly.

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Mayor



January 2, 2025  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Robert VanCampen, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

to accept and expend donations totaling \$160.00 from City of Everett employees during the month of December for the Fire Victims Fund. Employees are given the opportunity to wear jeans on Thursday by making a \$5.00 donation to the Fire Victims Fund. These funds are collected weekly.



C0023-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order to approve the disclosure filed by Kevin Noonan who has disclosed a financial interest in a municipal contract. Noonan Concessions, a company owned by Kevin Noonan, contracts with the city at certain community events

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**





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January 8, 2025

Honorable City Council  
484 Broadway  
Everett, MA 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

In accordance with MGL c, 268A s. 20(b), I hereby submit for your consideration an order to approve the disclosure filed by Kevin Noonan who has disclosed a financial interest in a municipal contract. Noonan Concessions, a company owned by Kevin Noonan, contracts with the city at certain community events.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor



January 8, 2025  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

approve the disclosure filed by Kevin Noonan who has disclosed  
a financial interest in a municipal contract.



C0025-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

An order to appropriate \$35,000 from Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Human Resources professional services account to cover additional costs related to workers compensation

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



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January 8, 2025  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

Offered By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as follows:

That the sum of \$35,000 be appropriated from the General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Human Resources professional services account.

This appropriation is necessary to cover additional costs related to workers compensation.



C0008-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Fast & Furious Motor Inc. at 153 Ferry Street

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0009-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of a class three motor vehicle dealer license for Second St Iron & metals at 285 Second Street

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0010-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for classic Cars of Boston Inc. at 5-7 Beacham Street

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**





C0011-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins  
**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Avanti Motors Inc. at 152 Ferry Street

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0020-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins  
**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of an inn holder license for Envision Hotel Boston-Everett at 1834 Revere Beach Pkwy

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0021-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for E & C Foreign Auto Repair LLC at 29R Garden Street

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0444-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Robert J. Van Campen  
**Date:** December 23, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$91,563.59 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to pay prior year departmental bills per the attached list.

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**CARLO DeMARIA**  
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December 18, 2024

The Honorable City Council  
City Hall  
484 Broadway  
Everett, Massachusetts 02149

Dear Honorable Members:

I hereby submit for your consideration an order to appropriate \$94,508.59 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to pay prior year departmental bills per the attached list.

The balance in General Fund Free Cash is \$10,915,546.

I recommend your favorable passage of this order.

Respectfully submitted,

Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor



December 18, 2024  
**City of Everett, Massachusetts**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Offered By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Councilor Robert VanCampen, as President**

**Bill Number:**  
**Bill Type: Order**

Be it  
Ordered: BY City Council OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, as  
follows:

That the sum of \$94,508.59 be appropriated from the General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to pay prior year departmental bills per the attached list.

## FY24 Outstanding Bills

Department	Vendor	Invoice Amount
City Council	Canon Financial	\$ 489.08
City Council	Canon Financial	\$ 489.08
City Council	Canon Financial	\$ 489.08
City Council	State Line Graphics	\$ 238.00
Human Resources	Dept of Unemployment Assistance	\$ 88,927.63
Planning & Development	Community Scale	\$ 2,945.00
Police	Motorola Solutions	\$ 119.25
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 252.36
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 65.79
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 65.79
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 158.45
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 83.22
Fire	R&A Industries	\$ 81.96
Veterans	William E. Krzyk	\$ 103.90
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 94,508.59</b>



C0399-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Katy L. Rogers  
**Date:** December 9, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

An ordinance requiring the display of the UNITED STATES FLAG when foreign flags are displayed by businesses

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**WHEREAS:** the City of Everett recognizes the importance of diversity and the contributions of all cultures to our community; and

**WHEREAS:** the United States Flag is a symbol of unity and pride, representing the nation and its values; and

**WHEREAS:** it is in the interest of the City of Everett to ensure proper representation of the United States Flag alongside other flags displayed in public view;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF EVERETT AS FOLLOWS:**

### **Section 1: Purpose**

The purpose of this ordinance is to ensure that the United States Flag is displayed alongside any foreign flags flown or displayed by businesses within the City of Everett, in accordance with the principles outlined in the United States Flag Code.

### **Section 2: Applicability**

This ordinance applies to all businesses operating within the City of Everett that display one or more foreign flags in a manner visible to the public.

### **Section 3: Requirements**

1. **Display of the U.S. Flag:**
  - Any business displaying a foreign flag must also display the United States Flag in a position of equal or greater prominence, as outlined in the United States Flag Code.
  - The U.S. Flag must be of equal size or larger than any foreign flags displayed.
  - The U.S. Flag must be properly maintained and in good condition.
2. **Placement:**
  - If flags are flown on flagpoles, the U.S. Flag must be placed at the highest position or at an equivalent height to foreign flags.
  - If flags are mounted on walls or displayed otherwise, the U.S. Flag must occupy the position of honor

### **Section 4: Enforcement and Penalties**

1. Businesses found in violation of this ordinance will be given a written notice and 30 days to comply

2. Failure to comply within 30 days will result in a fine in accordance to Everett law
3. Persistent non-compliance may result in the revocation of city-issued permits or licenses at the discretion of the City Council

### **Section 5: Severability**

If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**Effective upon approval of council and Mayor**

Resident feedback highlighted a broader issue: the city should consider ways to foster a relationship with businesses to encourage them to participate rather than putting more responsibility on them. I hope we can foster these connections to make Everett more inclusive for all.

One example of this could include providing flag decals to businesses upon their completion of paperwork at city hall or creating similar opportunities for businesses to participate during certain city events, which wouldn't require an ordinance.



C0416-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Stephanie V. Smith  
**Date:** December 9, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

An ordinance to amend live animal testing

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**

**ENROLLED ORDINANCE**

*PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 1 SECTION 4.5 OF THE REVISED  
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF EVERETT AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS Chapter 43, Section 23.*

ENROLLED: MM/DD/YYYY

DATE OF PROPOSED ORDAINMENT: MM/DD/YYYY



CITY COUNCIL.....No. C0416-24

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LIVE ANIMAL TESTING**

Councilor /s/ Stephanie Smith

**Whereas:** The city has made significant strides in fostering an environment that attracts cutting-edge industries by recently passing an ordinance adding Section 37 – Everett Docklands Innovation District; and

**Whereas:** The area was thoughtfully designed to encourage advancements in technology, research, and life sciences, positioning Everett as a leader in the region's knowledge-based economy; and

**Whereas:** Life sciences is a cornerstone of modern innovation, offering groundbreaking contributions in medicine, biotechnology, and public health; and

**Whereas:** the Innovation District includes Life Sciences and Life Sciences (Manufacturing) as permitted uses by right per the Master Plan; and

**Whereas:** the Life Science industry will create significant opportunities for economic development, including new jobs for our residents and a stronger, more diversified tax base that benefits all members of our community; and

**Whereas:** it is crucial to support practices that are standard across the life sciences industry to attract businesses to Everett, including the use of limited animal testing for research and development purposes to advance scientific discoveries and ensuring the safety of medical treatments

**Whereas:** The current ordinance bans animal testing of any kind

**Now,** therefore, by the authority granted to the City Council of the City of Everett, Massachusetts to make and amend ordinances:

**Be it Ordained** Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Everett, Massachusetts that Chapter 3 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of

Everett is hereby amended to as follows:

Section 3-36 be amended by adding the following paragraph to the end:

Notwithstanding the foregoing prohibition, experiments on live animals shall be permitted in Zoning Districts that allow Life Sciences & Life Sciences (Manufacturing) if such experiments are performed on animals limited to small vertebrates (including but not limited to mice, rats, and fish) and undertaken in conformity with all federal, state and local statutes, ordinances and regulations concerning the welfare of animals including the "Guide for the Care and Use of Animals" of the National Institutes of Health including requiring an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) which involves veterinarian oversight, the "Animal Welfare Act" (7 U.S.C. sections 2131, et seq.), the Health Research Extension Act of 1985, the "Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals," all as amended or revised from time to time.



C0137-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Katy L. Rogers

**Date:** April 8, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

An ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf

**Background and Explanation:**

We recently learned Everett Stadium is due for upgraded turf. The School Committee expressed concerns about artificial turf. It would be beneficial for the city to have a standard in place regarding the use of organic grass so this issue does not have to recur per venue. The City of Everett was recently offered assistance with a new artificial turf. In an effort to exemplify sustainability, it is my hope we can write a letter to the sponsor asking for their consideration in assisting with an organic grass field

**Attachments:**

*This fact sheet introduces some of the considerations that are relevant to evaluating natural grass and artificial turf playing surfaces. For more of TURI's research on artificial turf and natural grass, see [www.turi.org/artificialturf](http://www.turi.org/artificialturf).*

### Principles of toxics use reduction

TURI's work is based on the principles of toxics use reduction (TUR). The TUR approach focuses on identifying opportunities to reduce or eliminate the use of toxic chemicals as a means to protect human health and the environment. Projects to reduce the use of toxic chemicals often have additional benefits, such as lower life-cycle costs.

### Children's environmental health

People of all ages benefit from a safe and healthy environment for work and play. However, special concerns exist for children. Children are uniquely vulnerable to the effects of toxic chemicals because their organ systems are developing rapidly and their detoxification mechanisms are immature. Children also breathe more air per unit of body weight than adults, and are likely to have more hand-to-mouth exposure to environmental contaminants than adults.<sup>1</sup> For these reasons, it is particularly important to make careful choices about children's exposures.

### Artificial turf and chemicals of concern

Artificial turf has several components, including drainage materials, a cushioning layer, synthetic grass carpet (support and backing materials and synthetic fibers to imitate grass blades), and infill that provides cushioning and keeps grass carpet blades standing upright. Here, we briefly review issues related to chemicals in synthetic grass carpet and infills.

**Crumb rubber infill made from recycled tires.** Crumb rubber made from recycled tires is widely used as infill. This material is also referred to as styrene butadiene rubber (SBR), or as tire crumb. Many peer-reviewed studies have examined the chemicals present in tire crumb. Tire crumb contains a large number of chemicals, many of which are known to be hazardous to human health and the environment. These include polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); volatile organic compounds (VOCs); metals, such as lead and zinc; and other chemicals.<sup>2-5</sup> Some of the chemicals found in tire crumb are known to cause cancer.<sup>6-8</sup> Because of the large number of chemicals present in the infill, as well as the health effects of individual chemicals, crumb rubber made from recycled tires is the option that likely presents the most concerns related to chemical exposures.



**Other synthetic infills.** Other synthetic materials used to make artificial turf infill include ethylene propylene diene terpolymer (EPDM) rubber, thermoplastic elastomers (TPE), waste athletic shoe materials, and acrylic-coated sand, among others. These materials also contain chemicals of concern, although the total number of chemicals and/or the concentration of chemicals of concern may be lower in many cases.<sup>5</sup> For more information on chemicals in these materials, see TURI's report, *Athletic Playing Fields: Choosing Safer Options for Health and the Environment*.<sup>9</sup>

**Mineral-based and plant-derived materials.** Other materials used as infill can include sand, zeolite, cork, coconut hulls, walnut shells, olive pits, and wood particles, among other materials. These materials are likely to contain fewer hazardous chemicals than tire crumb, but many of the materials have not been well characterized or studied thoroughly.<sup>5</sup> Some plant-based materials may raise concerns related to allergies or respirable fibers. In addition, zeolite and sand can pose respiratory hazards. Exposure to some types of zeolites may be associated with increased risk of developing mesothelioma, a type of cancer.<sup>10,11</sup> Using zeolite can be considered a regrettable substitution. For sand, it is important to understand the source and type of the material; industrial sand that is freshly fractured or that has been highly processed to contain very small particles can be a respiratory hazard when inhaled.<sup>5</sup>

**Synthetic grass carpet.** Toxic chemicals such as lead are also found in the artificial grass blades in some cases.<sup>6,7</sup> Recent research has identified per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in some artificial turf carpet materials. PFAS are a group of chemicals that are highly persistent in the environment. PFAS do not break down under normal environmental conditions, and some can last in the



environment for hundreds of years or longer. As a result, introducing these chemicals into the environment has lasting consequences. Health effects documented for some PFAS include effects on the endocrine system, including liver and thyroid, as well as metabolic effects, developmental effects, neurotoxicity, and immunotoxicity. For more information, see TURI's fact sheet, "Per- and Poly-fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in Artificial Turf Carpet."<sup>12</sup>

## Artificial turf and heat stress

In sunny, warm weather, artificial turf can become much hotter than natural grass, raising concerns related to heat stress for athletes playing on the fields. Elevated surface temperatures can damage equipment and burn skin, and can increase the risk of heat-related illness.<sup>13</sup> Heat-related illness can be a life-threatening emergency. Experts note that athletic coaches and other staff need to be educated about heat-related illness and understand how to prevent it, including cancelling sport activities when necessary.<sup>14,15</sup>

Research indicates that outdoor synthetic turf reaches higher temperatures than natural grass, regardless of the infill materials or carpet fiber type.<sup>13</sup> The Penn State Center for Sports Surface Research measured surface temperature for infill alone, artificial grass fibers, and a full synthetic turf system. The study included several types and colors of infill and fibers. They found that all the materials reached high temperatures than grass when heated indoors (with a sun lamp), or outdoors.

Irrigation can lower field temperature for a short time. A Penn State study found that frequent, heavy irrigation reduced temperatures on synthetic turf, but temperatures rebounded quickly under sunny conditions.<sup>16</sup> Other studies found similar results.<sup>17</sup>

**Approaches to determining safe temperatures for recreational field spaces.** Several methods are available for measuring heat in a play area. It is sometimes necessary to use more than one method in order to determine whether conditions are safe for exercise or play.

One heat metric, Wet Bulb Globe Temperature (WBGT), takes into account ambient air temperature, relative humidity, wind, and solar radiation from the sun. WBGT can help to guide precautions such as rest, hydration breaks, and cancellation of sports activities. However, WBGT may does not take account of field surface temperature.

Another approach is to measure the temperature of the playing field surface itself. One researcher has noted that artificial turf surface temperatures are not captured by either a heat advisory or by wet bulb temperature, and that "elevated risk of heat stress can stem from infrared heating from the ground, regardless of the air temperature." Thus, the researcher suggests, greater caution regarding heat is needed when athletes are playing on artificial turf, "even if the air temperature is not at an otherwise unsafe level."<sup>18</sup>

WBGT is used as the basis for a heat policy adopted by Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) in 2019. This policy requires schools to select a method to monitor heat during all sports related activities, and modify activities as needed to protect student athletes.<sup>19</sup> The MIAA policy does not provide guidelines based on the type of playing surface, and does not take account of surface temperature specifically.

The school board of Burlington, MA has taken additional steps to protect student athletes by ensuring that both WBGT and surface temperature are taken into account.<sup>20</sup> Burlington's policy, "Utilizing Artificial Turf in the Heat," requires use of an infrared heat gun to determine field surface temperature. The policy includes information about the conditions under which athletes may use artificial turf fields and the conditions under which their activities must be moved to grass fields. For example, the policy states that if the National Weather Service issues a Heat Advisory, artificial turf cannot be used for physical education if the air temperature is higher than 85 degrees with humidity 60 percent or more. Under these conditions, only a grass surface may be used. The policy also lays out criteria to be taken into account in determining activity levels. For example, when air temperature is below 82 degrees, activities are permitted on artificial turf up to a surface temperature of 120 degrees, with three water breaks per hour. Above this surface temperature, activities must be moved to a grass field.

## Injuries

Studies show variable outcomes in the rates and types of injuries experienced by athletes playing on natural grass and on artificial turf.<sup>6,21,22</sup> Among recent studies and reviews of studies, several suggest an increase in foot and/or ankle injuries on artificial turf as compared with natural grass<sup>23-25</sup>; several find no difference<sup>26</sup>; and one suggests a possibly lowered risk on artificial turf.<sup>27</sup> All of these studies recommend further evaluation of this question.

One particular concern is increased rates of turf burns (skin abrasions) associated with playing on artificial turf. For example, a study by the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment found a two- to three-fold increase in skin abrasions per player hour on artificial turf compared with natural grass turf.<sup>6</sup> The study authors noted that these abrasions are a risk factor for serious bacterial infections, although they did not assess rates of these infections among the players they studied.

## Environmental concerns

Environmental concerns include loss of wildlife habitat, migration of synthetic particles into the environment, and contaminated stormwater runoff. A study by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection identified concerns related to a number of chemicals in stormwater runoff from artificial turf fields. They noted high zinc concentrations in

stormwater as a particular concern for aquatic organisms. They also noted the potential for leaching of high levels of copper, cadmium, barium, manganese and lead in some cases. The top concerns identified in the study were toxicity to aquatic life from zinc and from whole effluent toxicity (WET).<sup>28</sup> WET is a methodology for assessing the aquatic toxicity effects of an effluent stream as a whole.<sup>29</sup> In addition, scientists have raised concerns about the contribution of artificial turf materials to microplastic pollution.<sup>30-32</sup>

### **Safer alternative: organically managed natural grass**

Natural grass fields can be the safest option for recreational space, by eliminating many of the concerns noted above. Natural grass can also reduce overall carbon footprint by capturing carbon dioxide. Grass fields may be maintained organically or with conventional or integrated pest management (IPM) practices. Organic turf management eliminates the use of toxic insecticides, herbicides and fungicides.

Organic management of a recreational field space requires a site-specific plan to optimize soil health. Over time, a well-maintained organic field is more robust to recreational use due to a stronger root system than that found in a conventionally managed grass field. Key elements of organic management include the following.<sup>33</sup>

- **Field construction:** Construct field with appropriate drainage, layering, grass type, and other conditions to support healthy turf growth. Healthy, vigorously growing grass is better able to out-compete weed pressures, and healthy soil biomass helps to prevent many insect and disease issues.
- **Soil maintenance:** Add soil amendments as necessary to achieve the appropriate chemistry, texture and nutrients to support healthy turf growth. Elements include organic fertilizers, soil amendments, microbial inoculants, compost teas, microbial food sources, and topdressing as needed with high-quality finished compost.
- **Grass maintenance:** Turf health is maintained through specific cultural practices, including appropriate mowing, aeration, irrigation, and over-seeding. Trouble spots are addressed through composting and re-sodding where necessary. Aeration is critical because it makes holes in the soil that allow more air, water and nutrients to reach the roots of the grass and the soil system. Stronger roots make the grass better able to naturally fend off weeds and pests. Aeration also breaks up areas of compacted soil.

**Massachusetts communities investing in organic grass fields.** In Massachusetts, the city of [Springfield](#) and the town of [Marblehead](#) have both been successful in managing athletic fields organically. These communities' experiences are documented in case studies.<sup>34,35</sup> In addition, the Field Fund in Martha's Vineyard has invested in organic maintenance of a number of athletic fields and has documented the process at [www.fieldfundinc.org](http://www.fieldfundinc.org).

### **Installation and maintenance costs: comparing artificial turf with natural grass**

In analyzing the costs of artificial vs. natural grass systems, it is important to consider full life-cycle costs, including installation, maintenance, and disposal/replacement. Artificial turf systems of all types require a significant financial investment at each stage of the product life cycle. In general, the full life cycle cost of an artificial turf field is higher than the cost of a natural grass field.

Cost information is available through university entities, turf managers' associations, and personal communications with professional grounds managers. Information is also available on the relative costs of conventional vs. organic management of natural grass.

**Installation.** According to the Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA), the cost of installing an artificial turf system may range from \$4.50 to \$10.25 per square foot. For a football field with a play area of 360x160 feet plus a 15-foot extension on each dimension (65,625 square feet), this yields an installation cost ranging from about \$295,000 to about \$673,000. These are costs for field installation only, and full project costs may be higher. Costs for a larger field would also be higher.

In one site-specific example, information provided by the town of Natick, Massachusetts shows that the full project budget for the installation in 2015 of a new artificial turf field (117,810 square feet), along with associated landscaping, access and site furnishings, totaled \$1.2 million.<sup>36</sup>

For natural grass, installation of a new field may not be necessary. For communities that do choose to install a new field, costs can range from \$1.25 to \$5.00 per square foot, depending on the type of field selected. For the dimensions noted above, this would yield an installation cost ranging from about \$82,000 to about \$328,000.<sup>37</sup> However, in many cases communities are simply able to improve existing fields.

**Maintenance.** Maintenance of artificial turf systems can include fluffing, redistributing and shock testing infill; periodic disinfection of the materials; seam repairs and infill replacement; and watering to lower temperatures on hot days. Maintenance of natural grass can include watering, mowing, fertilizing, replacing sod, and other activities. Communities shifting from natural grass to artificial turf may need to purchase new equipment for this purpose. According to STMA, maintenance of an artificial turf field may cost about \$4,000/year in materials plus 300 hours of labor, while maintenance of a natural grass field may cost \$4,000 to \$14,000 per year for materials plus 250 to 750 hours of labor.<sup>37</sup>

Springfield, MA manages 67 acres of sports fields, park areas, and other public properties organically. Field management costs in 2018, including products, irrigation maintenance, and all labor costs, were just under \$1,500 per acre across all of the properties.<sup>34</sup>

**Natural grass maintenance: Conventional vs. organic costs.** Organic turf maintenance can be cost-competitive with conventional management of natural grass. One study found that once established, an organic turf management program can cost 25% less than a conventional turf management program.<sup>38</sup>

**Disposal/replacement.** Artificial turf requires disposal at the end of its useful life. STMA estimates costs of \$6.50 to \$7.80 per square foot for disposal and resurfacing.<sup>37</sup> Those estimates yield \$426,563–\$511,875 for a 65,625 square foot field and \$552,500–\$663,000 for an 85,000 square foot field.

Disposal is an increasing source of concern. Used synthetic turf is projected to produce between 1 million and 4 million tons of waste over the next decade, but there is a lack of plans or guidance for its disposal.<sup>39,40</sup> In most cases it cannot be completely recycled, and disposing of it in landfills is expensive and not an industry best practice, according to one article.<sup>39</sup> Used turf that is dumped illegally near a body of water can attract pests, and piles can pose a fire risk.<sup>39</sup>

**Life-cycle costs.** In 2008, a Missouri University Extension study calculated annualized costs for a 16-year scenario. The calculation included the capital cost of installation; annual maintenance; sod replacement costing \$25,000 every four years for the natural fields; and surface replacement of the synthetic fields after eight years. Based on this calculation, a natural grass soil-based field is the most cost effective, followed by a natural grass sand-cap field, as shown in the table below.<sup>41</sup> Another study, conducted by an Australian government agency, found that the 25-year and 50-year life cycle costs for synthetic turf are about 2.5 times as large as those for natural grass.<sup>42</sup>

**Table 1: Comparison of life-cycle costs**

Field type	16-year annualized costs
Natural soil-based field	\$33,522
Sand-cap grass field	\$49,318
Basic synthetic field	\$65,849
Premium synthetic field	\$109,013

Source: Brad Fresenburg, "More Answers to Questions about Synthetic Fields – Safety and Cost Comparison." University of Missouri.

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#2-C0137-24

Government Operations, Public Safety & Public Service Committee  
May 9, 2024

The Committee on Government Operations, Public Safety & Public Service met on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 6pm in City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Stephanie Martins, presiding and Councilors Peter Pietrantonio and Holly Garcia. Members absent was Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin.

Communication received from Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin that she was unable to attend due to a prior commitment.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Katy Rogers: An Ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf. .

Councilor Katy Rogers, the Sponsor was invited but was not present informing the Committee that she was unaware that her item was on tonight's agenda.

The Committee was informed by the Clerk that if the intent was to make this an Ordinance then the matter should be referred to the Legislative Affairs Committee. Councilor Pietrantonio mentioned this days working for the City in caring for the grass in the City's public facilities and noted that it was a lot of work to care and maintain the grass remarking that is was not a fun job. He felt that turf was a good thing and didn't think it would make sense to rip up existing turf areas to replace with natural grass. Councilor Garcia agreed and mentioned the upkeep required to care for grass fields and suggested looking at other alternatives that would be better for the environment and health. Chairperson Martins suggested postponing until Councilor Rogers had an opportunity to discuss her intentions, but Councilor Pietrantonio noted that he was in opposition to the proposal and requested that the matter be referred back to Sponsor.

The Committee voted 2 to 1 with Chairperson Martins opposed: To report back to the City Council with a recommendation to refer back to Sponsor.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees

#1- C0137-24

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee  
June 13, 2024

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 6pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Stephanie Smith, Katy Rogers and Robert Van Campen, as ex-officio. Member absent was Councilor Stephanie Martins who was away and unable to attend.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Katy Rogers: An Ordinance requiring playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass.

David Flood, Legislative Research Specialist was also present.

Councilor Rogers informed the Committee that her intent was to create an Ordinance as she mentioned heat stress, injuries and environmental concerns as the major issues related to artificial surfaces on playing fields and the need to replace with organic grass. Councilor Rogers noted that she planned to meet with the Conservation Agent to assist in shaping an Ordinance. Chairman Marchese indicated that he would like to hear the pro's and con's on this proposal. Councilors Smith and Van Campen suggested that the Sponsor meet with the Conservation Agent, City Solicitor and City Council Legislative staff to draft a proposal that the Committee would be able to review at the next meeting.

The Committee voted: to grant further time.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees

AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE THE USE OF NATURAL GRASS IN PLACE OF SYNTHETIC TURF IN CITY FACILITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

WHEREAS: the City of Everett recognizes the importance of providing safe, sustainable, and environmentally friendly public spaces for its residents

WHEREAS: natural grass offers several advantages over synthetic turf, including but not limited to:

- Safety: Studies have shown that athletes and students are less prone to injury when playing on natural grass compared to synthetic turf
- Environmental Benefits: Natural grass contributes to cleaner air, absorbs water, and plays a critical role in reducing flooding in urban areas
- Temperature Regulation: Natural grass sustains a cooler temperature, making public spaces more comfortable and reducing heat island effects in the city
- Economic Considerations: While synthetic turf has a limited lifespan and requires costly replacement, natural grass offers a more durable and cost-effective alternative over time
- Health Concerns: Synthetic turf is made from materials that may contain harmful chemicals, including those derived from used tires, posing potential health risks to the community

WHEREAS: surrounding urban communities in Massachusetts have begun transitioning back to natural grass, recognizing its long-term benefits to both public health and the environment

WHEREAS: environmental groups such as The Mystic River Watershed have advocated for the use of natural grass in private developments, aligning with broader efforts to promote sustainability and environmental stewardship

WHEREAS: the Everett School Committee has unanimously agreed that natural grass is a safer option than synthetic turf for school facilities

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF EVERETT, MASSACHUSETTS:

Section 1: Replacement of Existing Turf

- The City of Everett shall replace existing synthetic turf with natural grass on an as-needed basis only, specifically upon the expiration of the natural lifespan of the current synthetic turf.

Section 2: Future Developments

- All future developments of public spaces, including but not limited to sports fields, parks, and school grounds, shall consist of natural grass unless permission is granted by the City Council based on specific criteria that demonstrates an extraordinary need for an alternative environmentally sustainable turf.

Section 3: Implementation

- The City shall coordinate with relevant departments, including the Department of Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Department, to establish an appropriate plan for the phased replacement of existing synthetic turf with natural grass.

Section 4: Community Involvement and Transparency

- The City shall engage with local environmental groups and the public to ensure community involvement and transparency in the process of transitioning from synthetic turf to natural grass.

Effective upon approval of council and Mayor

#1- C0137-24

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee  
September 9, 2024

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Stephanie Smith, Katy Rogers and Stephanie Martins.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Katy Rogers: An Ordinance requiring playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass.

David Flood, Legislative Research Specialist provided the Committee with an updated copy of the proposed Ordinance on the subject matter and suggested that the phrase “used in public spaces” be inserted in Section 17-140. Councilor Rogers, the Sponsor, noted that she had added a provision under Section 17-141 that would allow alternative environmentally sustainable turf if permission granted by the City Council. She stated that the intent is not to dig up current fields now but only upon the expiration of the natural lifespan of the current synthetic turf. Councilor Smith remarked that she liked the durability the synthetic turf offers the City and would recommend that the City keep synthetic turf as synthetic turf and keep grass turf as grass turf. Councilor Smith informed the Committee that she spoke to the Director of Parks and was told that the man hours would be substantial if synthetic turf was replaced with grass. Councilor Martins asked what the advantage of replacing synthetic turf with grass and Council Rogers mentioned heat stress, injuries and environmental concerns as the major issues related to artificial surfaces on playing fields and the need to replace with organic grass. Councilor Smith suggested removing City Council permission from Section 17-141 since she felt that members of the City Council were not experts in making these types of decisions. Councilor Rogers indicated that she was willing to make some amendments to Ordinance that would also include adding Director of Park Department. The Committee recommended that the matter be granted further time so that the Sponsor could meet with Mr. Flood to finalize the inclusion of amendments mentioned as well as to meet with the City Solicitor and Director of Parks to determine if any further changes are needed.

The Committee voted: to grant further time.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees



**ENROLLED ORDINANCE**

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**CITY COUNCIL..... No. C0137-24**

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FOUR

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE THE USE OF NATURAL GRASS IN PLACE OF SYNTHETIC TURF IN CITY FACILITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

Councilor /s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

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**Whereas:** Surrounding urban communities in Massachusetts have begun transitioning back to natural grass, recognizing its long-term benefits to both public health and the environment: and

**Whereas:** Environmental groups such as The Mystic River Watershed have advocated for the use of natural grass in private developments, aligning with broader efforts to promote sustainability and environmental stewardship: and

**Whereas:** The Everett School Committee has unanimously agreed that natural grass is a safer option than synthetic turf for school facilities.

Now, therefore, by the authority granted to the City Council of the City of Everett, Massachusetts to make and amend ordinances:

**Be it Ordained** by the City Council of the City of Everett, Massachusetts that Article V of Chapter 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Everett shall be amended by adding a new Division 4 as follows:

**DIVISION 4. USE OF NATURAL GRASS IN PLACE OF SYNTHETIC TURF IN CITY FACILITIES**

***Section 17-140 Replacement of existing turf***

The City of Everett shall replace existing synthetic turf with natural grass on an as-needed basis only, specifically upon the expiration of the natural lifespan of the current synthetic turf.

***Section 17-141 Future developments***

All future developments of public spaces, including but not limited to sports fields, parks, and school grounds, shall consist of natural grass unless permission is granted by the city council based on specific criteria that demonstrates an extraordinary need for an alternative environmentally sustainable turf.

***Section 17-142 Implementation***

The city shall coordinate with relevant departments, including the department of public works and the parks and recreation department, to establish an appropriate plan for the phased replacement of existing synthetic turf with natural grass.

***Section 17-143 Community involvement and transparency***

The city shall engage with local environmental groups and the public to ensure community involvement and transparency in the process of transitioning from synthetic turf to natural grass.

***Secs. 17-144-17-149 Reserved***

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by the City Council and subsequent approval by His Honor the Mayor.

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Sergio Cornelio, City Clerk

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-All future developments of public spaces, including but not limited to sports fields, parks, and school grounds, shall consist of natural grass unless permission is granted by the ~~City Council~~ city council based on specific criteria that demonstrates an extraordinary need for an alternative environmentally sustainable turf.-

***Section 3: ~~17-142~~ Implementation***

-The ~~City~~ city shall coordinate with relevant departments, including the ~~Department~~ department of ~~Public Works~~ public works and the ~~Parks~~ parks and ~~Recreation Department~~ recreation department, to establish an appropriate plan for the phased replacement of existing synthetic turf with natural grass.

***Section 4: ~~17-143~~ Community ~~Involvement~~ involvement and ~~Transparency~~ transparency***

-The ~~City~~ city shall engage with local environmental groups and the public to ensure community involvement and transparency in the process of transitioning from synthetic turf to natural grass.

Effective~~Secs. 17-144-17-149~~ *Reserved*

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*Sergio Cornelio*

Sergio Cornelio, City Clerk

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***Section 17-140 Replacement of existing turf***

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- (a) Upon the expiration of the natural lifespan of the current synthetic turf;
- (b) With the approval of the city's parks' department; and
- (c) With the approval of the city council.

***Section 17-141 Future developments***

All future developments of public spaces, including but not limited to sports fields, parks, and school grounds, shall consist of natural grass unless permission is granted by city's parks' department and the city council based on specific criteria that demonstrates an extraordinary need for an alternative environmentally sustainable turf.

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***Secs. 17-144-17-149 Reserved***

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The City of Everett shall only replace existing synthetic turf used in public spaces with natural grass ~~on an as-needed basis only, specifically upon:~~

- (a) Upon the expiration of the natural lifespan of the current synthetic turf;
- (b) With the approval of the city's parks' department; and
- ~~(a)~~(c) With the approval of the city council.

***Section 17-141 Future developments***

All future developments of public spaces, including but not limited to sports fields, parks, and school grounds, shall consist of natural grass unless permission is granted by city's parks' department and the city council based on specific criteria that demonstrates an extraordinary need for an alternative environmentally sustainable turf.

***Section 17-142 Implementation***

The city shall coordinate with relevant departments, including the department of public works and the parks and recreation department, to establish an appropriate plan for the phased replacement of existing synthetic turf with natural grass.

***Section 17-143 Community involvement and transparency***

The city shall engage with local environmental groups and the public to ensure community involvement and transparency in the process of transitioning from synthetic turf to natural grass.

***Secs. 17-144-17-149 Reserved***

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage by the City Council and subsequent approval by His Honor the Mayor.

A true copy attest



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sergio Cornelio". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial 'S'.

Sergio Cornelio, City Clerk

#1- C0137-24

Legislative Affairs & Election Committee  
September 23, 2024

The Committee on Legislative Affairs & Elections met on Monday, September 23, 2024 at 6pm in the City Council Chambers.

The meeting was recorded by ECTV and can be viewed on the City of Everett website.

Members present were Councilor Michael Marchese, presiding, Councilors Stephanie Smith, Katy Rogers and Robert Van Campen, as ex-officio. Member absent was Councilor Stephanie Martins.

The Committee considered an Ordinance offered by Councilor Katy Rogers: An Ordinance requiring playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass.

Councilor Rogers informed the Committee that she had worked with David Flood, Legislative Research Analyst to make some minor amendments that was discussed at the previous meeting. She mentioned that Mayor Carlo DeMaria had sent the City Council a communication noting the Administration commitment to maintaining organic grass on public lands where possible. Councilor Van Campen commended Councilor Rogers efforts on the subject matter and discussed the process of replacing the existing turf under Section 17-140. Councilor Rogers remarked that the Ordinance insures that there is a process. Councilor Smith commended Councilor Rogers for compromising on her proposal but announced that she could not support because she felt that this decision should be left to the Administration and not the City Council. Chairman Marchese asked if this would include the proposed soccer stadium and Councilor Rogers stated that there is room for exceptions.

The Committee voted 3to 1 with Councilor Smith in opposition : to report back to the City Council with a recommendation for favorable action.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley  
Clerk of Committees

**CITY OF EVERETT**  
**Office of the Mayor**

**Carlo DeMaria**  
Mayor



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December 23, 2024

Mr. Sergio Cornelio  
City Clerk  
City of Everett  
484 Broadway  
Everett, Massachusetts 02149

**RE: Bill Number C0137-24 An ordinance requiring all playing fields in Everett to use environmentally sustainable organic grass instead of artificial turf**

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to Article 3, Section 3-6 of the Everett City Charter, I hereby return to you the above-referenced measure with my objection and veto.

I disapprove of this measure because it contradicts the constitutional doctrine of separation of powers that serves as the foundation of democratic forms of government. The executive branch of any government is charged with the responsibility for the administration of government as well as the responsibility for implementing policies, procedures, and programs for that administration. The language of this ordinance infringes upon that constitutional doctrine because it seeks to vest in the legislative branch the authority to make operational decisions by requiring City Council approval for the replacement of current synthetic turf surfaces and because it seeks to dictate how the executive branch administers government by dictating steps that the executive branch would have to take in performing its duties.

I also disapprove of this measure because it is unnecessary. Any proposal to replace an existing artificial turf surface would require a capital investment by the city. All capital appropriations and expenditures require City Council approval. Should the City Council not agree to replace an artificial playing surface, then it has the ability to vote unfavorably against a funding order filed for Council consideration. This currently available check and balance achieves the same objective as the ordinance in a manner that does not violate the separation of powers doctrine.

My veto of this matter serves as an objection to the language in the ordinance, but not to the intent of the ordinance to limit the use of artificial surfaces in favor of natural surfaces. In accordance with the authority reserved to the executive branch, I have given direction to city departments that future projects to improve the condition of parks, open and recreational spaces, and athletic fields should include natural and organic surfaces whenever possible. Furthermore, I have provided the directive that the most sustainable and environmentally friendly artificial surfaces should be used in the limited circumstances in which natural surfaces are not viable.

I hereby request that my objection to this matter be placed on the record of the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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Carlo DeMaria  
Mayor



C0354-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin

**Date:** November 12, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

That the Administration take immediate steps to improve the senior meals program, including potentially terminating the current contract and engaging a new vendor.

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



**CARLO DeMARIA**  
**MAYOR**

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Honorable Members  
Everett City Council

**FROM:** Office of the Mayor  
Inspectional Services Department  
Office of Elder Services

**DATE:** January 8, 2025

**RE:** **C0354-24 That the Administration take immediate steps to improve the senior meals program, including potentially terminating the current contract and engaging a new vendor**

The Administration continues to provide a meal delivery program to older and disabled residents to help prevent food insecurity among vulnerable members of our community. This effort was initiated during the pandemic and at its highest levels was providing over 700 meals daily. More recently, the program provides 335 meals daily to residents, in addition to the lunch program offered to older residents at the Connolly Center.

Hiring vendors to prepare the meals is subject to state public procurement laws. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 30B governs the procurement of supplies, services, and real property by cities, towns and other local jurisdictions in Massachusetts. This law requires cities and towns to follow procedures to provide open and fair competition for public contracts. Chapter 30B does not permit the city to limit contract opportunities to only Everett businesses. Bidding opportunities must be open to any vendor who can provide the service within Everett at the designated dates and times.

The Office of Elder Services develops the monthly menu for the lunches to be prepared for the bidding process. The city requests different meals for each day with attention to nutritional content, e.g. requesting low sodium options, 3 oz. of protein, an item of fruit, etc. Meals are required to be prepared fresh daily and delivered hot (155 degrees or above) and cold meals to be delivered at 41 degrees or less. The Inspectional Services Department tests the temperature of delivered meals for quality control purposes and more recently has begun capturing photos of the



meals being provided. This is part of the ongoing program monitoring efforts conducted by the city.

The lunch program is bid for services and is awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. During the history of the program, there have been instances in which the same vendor has won the bid for multiple months in a row. In other instances, the successful bidder has changed from month-to-month. In instances in which concerns are raised about performance by a meal vendor, the city notifies the vendor of any performance deficiency; instructs the vendor on the necessary steps to cure the defects in the performance; and monitors the performance to ensure that any issues have been resolved.

Since September 1, 2024, the Constituent Services Department has received four (4) constituent complaints regarding the senior meal program.

With respect to concerns raised about residents leaving delivered meals outside homes for multiple days at a time, please be advised that a wellness check is requested for a recipient if these circumstances are noted out of concern for our older and disabled residents. If the resident simply no longer wishes to receive the meals or no longer is in need of the service, then delivery is stopped.

Thank you.



C0411-24

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

**Date:** December 9, 2024

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**Agenda Item:**

That the Water Superintendent appear at the next meeting to clarify the purpose of the recent letters regarding lead that were sent to residents and the next steps

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0005-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Katy L. Rogers

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

A resolution to implement a multi-lingual City of Everett app to enhance accessibility and communication

**Background and Explanation:**

Summary:

This tool would serve as a central hub for city resources and services, benefiting every department, particularly 311 and our school system, while also providing critical support to our diverse community:

Community Hub

Event calendar: Festivities, city meetings.

Virtual 311: Report issues like potholes, broken streetlights, double poles.

Local Resources

Trash, recycling, and street sweeping schedules.

Park locations and amenities.

Safety and Emergency Services

Crime and safety updates: alerts, missing person.

Emergency contacts (police, fire, health, animal control).

Road closures and detours.

Transportation

Bus schedules and fares.

Maps of bike lanes and walking paths.

Local Economy

City job opportunities.

Shop Everett: business directory.

Youth and Schools

Sports leagues, after-school programs, and events.

Links to local schools and academic calendars.

Health and Senior Services

Clinics, vaccinations, and mental health programs.

Fitness classes and senior center activities.

Cultural and Educational Resources

Library hours and museum information.

Events, Public art, grants.

Animal Services

Report lost pets.

Renew dog licenses.

Adoption resources and wildlife safety tips.

Sustainability

Recycling and composting guidelines.

Green Everett: Energy programs and green initiatives.

Background info: We were introduced to an app in Tampa that would be minimal cost to the city and help with language barriers. It can be a universal hub and include all departments without replacing anything. It can be customized to our particular needs as a city. App would be free for residents

**Attachments:**



C0013-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Stephanie V. Smith  
**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

That the traffic commission implement a restriction on residents parking covered cars on public ways

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0014-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Holly D. Garcia

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

That the Addiction Recovery Resource Specialist Paul Guarino from the Everett Fire Department Roadmap to Recovery appears at our January 27th meeting to discuss his role and data for calls and placements

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**

# EVERETT FIRE DEPARTMENT

## 2024 OVERDOSE INCIDENT REPORT



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PAUL GUARINO (ROADMAP TO RECOVERY)

ADDICTION RESOURCE SPECIALIST

**2024 OVERDOSE INCIDENTS (327 CODE)**

<b>JANUARY )</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>FEBRUARY)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>MARCH)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>APRIL)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>MAY)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>JUNE)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>JULY)</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>AUGUST)</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER)</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>OCTOBER)</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>NOVEMBER)</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>DECEMBER)</b>	<b>3</b>

**TOTAL INCIDENTS) 40**

**RECAP:** From January 1,2024- December 31,2024, the Everett Fire Department had responded to **40** overdose-related incidents. The monthly average overdose response for 2024 is 3.3 and the average weekly overdose related incidents is 0.7.

**2024 OVERDOSE INCIDENTS WITH USE OF NARCAN(328 CODE)**

**RECAP:** 328 is the code used for local administration of Narcan in the Everett Fire Department. Out of the **40** overdose incidents that EFD responded to, **15** were coded as 328, where EFD administered Narcan at these events.

A Total of **17** doses of Narcan 4mg/ml were dispersed during these **15** events where EFD administered Narcan.



*OVERDOSE INCIDENTS FROM PAST 7 YEARS:*

**2018) 130 INCIDENTS**

**2019) 100 INCIDENTS**

**2020) 109 INCIDENTS**

**2021) 111 INCIDENTS**

**2022) 106 INCIDENTS**

**2023) 88 INCIDENTS**

**2024) 40 INCIDENTS** \*\*\*\*\* (57% DECREASE FROM 2023)\*\*\*\*\*

*DEMOGRAPHIC DATA FOR 2024 OVERDOSE INCIDENTS:*

**MALE-26**

**FEMALE-14**

*AGE RANGE:*

**20-29-----7 individuals**

**30-39-----17 individuals**

**40-49-----11 individuals**

**50-59-----1 individual**

**60-69-----3 individuals**

**Unknown—1 individual**

**From the 40 incidents recorded, 28 of these individuals were Everett residents and 12 were non-Everett residents.**

**Also from our surrounding towns in which we collaborate with, there were 5 Everett residents that had an overdose incident in another town.**

**From the reported 40 overdose incidents that EFD responded to, there were 4 fatal incidents.**

**WE HAVE CONTINUED TO TRACK THE DATA WITH FIRE TRACK AND THE EVERETT POLICE DEPARTMENT. WITH THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE TWO DEPARTMENTS, WE ARE COLLECTING AN ACCURATE DATA SET TO BE ABLE TO APPLY IMPROVEMENTS AND GROWTH TO THE PROGRAM.**

**THE DATA TRACKING IS ONE MAJOR PIECE OF THE PUZZLE, BUT AFTER EACH OVERDOSE IN THE CITY, IT IS THEN FOLLOWED UP WITH A HOUSE VISIT TO THE ADDRESS IN WHICH WAS REPORTED TO ENGAGE WITH THE INDIVIDUAL AND THEIR FAMILY TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICES AND OFFER TREATMENT OPTIONS.**

**RESPONSES TO OVERDOSE INCIDENTS BY APPARATUS:**

**ENGINE 1----9**

**LADDER 1----6**

**ENGINE 2----10**

**ENGINE 3----8**

**LADDER 2----5**

**AMBULANCE (1)--20**

EVERETT FIRE DEPARTMENT  
LOG SEARCH REPORT

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( 2)	01/03/24	B	160303	3220	15642	81 CHESTNUT ST	
( 3)	01/26/24	C	160878	1110	13678	511 BROADWAY ST	
( 4)	01/30/24	B	160971	1	12014	36 WATERS AV	1
( 5)	02/10/24	B	161259	3310	5402	80 GLEDHILL AV	
( 6)	02/23/24	A	161593	1110	16751	20 SUMMER ST	16
( 7)	02/23/24	B	161597	3210	146	7 ALPINE AV	
( 8)	02/26/24	C	161703	3210	2516	28 CHERRY ST	
( 9)	02/29/24	C	161774	1110	18061	20 SUMMER ST	3
( 10)	03/15/24	A	162181	4520	16338	21 STAPLES AV	27
( 11)	03/17/24	A	162230	2620	15653	22 ELM RD	1
( 12)	03/20/24	C	162324	4530	15050	45 HANCOCK ST	1
( 13)	04/14/24	A	162972	2620	15653	22 ELM RD	
( 14)	04/14/24	B	162976	3321	9829	108 RUSSELL ST	
( 15)	04/26/24	C	163360	5200	15661	1 BROADWAY ST	
( 16)	04/27/24	C	163381	4220	4617	519 FERRY ST	
( 17)	05/01/24	C	163514	1	2351	124 CHELSEA ST	
( 18)	05/09/24	A	163739	5200	15661	1 BROADWAY ST	2007
( 19)	05/20/24	B	164034	1120	5628	40 GOLDEN AGE CR	
( 20)	06/01/24	C	164397	3	16392	181 FERRY ST	
( 21)	06/02/24	A	164409	3321	9921	233 RUSSELL ST	
( 22)	06/02/24	C	164429	4510	14625	0 CENTRAL AVE PARK AV	
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( 23)	06/03/24	A	164435	4530	5884	29 HANCOCK ST	
( 24)	07/01/24	C	165239	3210	12885	115 WOODLAWN ST	1
( 25)	07/05/24	C	165355	1110	15727	41 SUMMER ST	
( 26)	07/10/24	A	165487	3320	3771	176 ELM ST	2
( 27)	07/14/24	C	165668	5100	14677	201 BROADWAY ST	3
( 28)	07/18/24	A	165760	1	14428	201 CHELSEA ST	
( 29)	07/18/24	B	165767	1130	19860	101 MILL RD	576
( 30)	07/21/24	A	165831	2520	2928	102 CLEVELAND AV	
( 31)	08/03/24	B	166231	2630	144	45 ALFRED ST	1
( 32)	08/11/24	A	166451	5200	15661	1 BROADWAY ST	
( 33)	09/14/24	C	167560	2520	14613	66 SWAN ST	
( 34)	09/26/24	C	167917	3220	8189	2 MEADER RD	2A
( 35)	10/29/24	C	168908	2610	4092	66 EVERETT ST	1 REAR
( 36)	11/12/24	A	169317	2610	4092	66 EVERETT ST	REAR
( 37)	11/29/24	A	169819	1130	2438	238 CHELSEA ST	
( 38)	12/12/24	B	170187	5200	15661	1 BROADWAY ST	
( 39)	12/25/24	B	170559	3210	7643	4 MAGNOLIA CT	1
( 40)	12/26/24	C	170596	3210	12889	121 WOODLAWN ST	2

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2024 EFD ROADMAP TO RECOVERY:

- 1) **24 INDIVIDUALS INTO DETOX FACILITIES**
- 2) **17 INDIVIDUALS INTO SOBER HOME LIVING WITH GRANT MONIES (SOBER HOMES UTILIZED: OUT OF SHADOWS(EVERETT), MIDDLESEX TRANSITIONS(EVERETT), CHELSEA HOUSE( LYNN AND CHELSEA), VISION OF HOPE (STONEHAM), RUTHS WAY (WAKEFIELD), NEW DAY RECOVERY (MALDEN), AMERICA SOBER (LYNN), SOLUTIOS TO RECOVERY (STONEHAM). USUALLY EACH INDIVIDUAL IS GIVEN UPTO 1 MONTH SCHOLARSHIP FOR HOUSING.**
- 3) **EVENTS: OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY (HELD AT GLENDALE PARK 8/28/24)**

**STOP THE STIGMA DAY (HELD AT CITY HALL 9/25/24) AND HELD AT MULTIPLE SCHOOLS IN THE DISTRICT DURING THE WEEK WHERE MYSELF, ERIC MAZZEO (ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF YOUTH PREVENTION AND COUNCILOR HOLLY GARCIA AND OFFICER NICOLE O'DONNELL) TALKED TO THE YOUTH ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF STIGMA, AND WHAT IT REPRESENTS AND HAVING YOUTH MAKE BETTER HEALTHY DECISIONS, AND GETTING CONNECTED TO THEIR COMMUNITY.**

- 4) **MULTIPLE NARCAN TRAININGS AND TALKS WITH EHS STUDENTS AND TEACHERS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR. THE GOAL OF THESE TRAININGS WAS TO ENGAGE WITH EHS STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ON WHAT THE MEANING OF HARM REDUCTION IS AND HOW THE LIFESAVING DRUG NARCAN WORKS.THE NEED TO SPREAD AWARENESS TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ABOUT FENTANYL, THE DANGERS OF COUNTERFEIT PILLS AND THE USE OF NARCAN IS VITAL.**
- 5) **NARCAN TRAINING TO ALL EVERETT SCHOOL NURSES HELD AT HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN AUGUST.**
- 6) **NARCAN TRAINING AND PRESENTATION AT SAUGUS-EVERETT ELKS LODGE WITH SENIORS ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF SUBSTANCE USE ON INDIVIDUALS AND THE COMMUN ITY.(HELD IN APRIL)**
- 7) **IMPLEMENATION OF STARTING UP A MONTHLY HUB MEETING WITH EPD, AND IDENTIFYING HIGH RISK INDIVIDUALS AND GETTING THEM THE HELP AND RESOURCES THEY NEED AND GET ACCESS TO.**
- 8) **WEEKLY VISITS FROM MYSELF TO LOCAL SOBER HOMES TO STAY ENGAGED WITH THOSE INDIVIDUALS TO KEEP THEM ON THE RIGHT PATH.**
- 9) **AS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY IN REPORT, EVERY OVERDOSE INCIDENT IS FOLLOWED UP ON IN COLLORBORATION WITH OUR HARM REDUCTION OUTREACH WORKER FROM FENWAY HEALTH(Access Drug User Health Program) IN WHICH A DOOR KNOCK OR PHONE CALL IS MADE TO INTERACT WITH THAT PERSON TO GET THEM THE HELP OR RESOURCES THEY MIGHT NEED IF SO BE.**



C0017-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Michael K. Marchese

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

That Sargent Gaff and the head of parking enforcement be invited to a special meeting of the city council be held to discuss the parking issues occurring in the city and the increased amount of cars on the streets

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0018-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Robert J. Van Campen  
**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

In the interest of public safety, that all parking restrictions be strictly enforced in the area of Linden, Webster, Church and Warren streets, particularly on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**





C0019-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Councilor Robert J. Van Campen  
**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

That the Administration - working collaboratively with the City Council and other community stakeholders - convene a task force to discuss and address issues of food insecurity in the City of Everett, including the safest and most efficient way to coordinate distribution

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**



C0022-25

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**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Councilor Robert J. Van Campen, Councilor Holly D. Garcia

**Date:** January 13, 2025

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**Agenda Item:**

That the administration provides an update on when community meetings will be held concerning the use of the former Everett High School and the former Pope John property

**Background and Explanation:**

**Attachments:**