



MEETING MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 09, 2025 7:00 PM**

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**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, Wayne Matewsky, Peter Pietrantonio, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Smith, Robert Van Campen, Stephanie Martins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. C0200-25 Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition from TC Systems Inc requesting permission to construct (2) 2" PVC conduit approximately 282' from utility pole #3235 on Cameron Street to utility pole #1781 on McKinley Street, as well as the installation of (1) 3' x 3' manhole

Chris Murray from TC Systems presented a petition to construct underground conduit for fiber optics, crossing Broadway near Pope John. The conduit would connect two poles but no work would be done to the poles themselves. Councilor DiPierro asked about a leaning pole in poor condition in the vicinity, but Mr. Murray clarified it was not one of the poles involved in this project.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [10 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Van Campen, Martins
NAYS:	

2. C0201-25 Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to relocate JO pole #2817-0 on Garland Street approximately 25 feet to the northwest to provide additional entrance clearance to CHA Everett Hospital at 103 Garland Street

A representative from National Grid presented a petition to relocate a pole on Garland Street to improve handicap access to the CHA Everett Hospital. The new pole would be on the same sidewalk and not block any buildings or entrances.

Councilor Rogers stated she cannot support any National Grid requests at this time due to lack of response on \$8 million owed to Everett under Chapter 91.

Joetta Yutkins, a resident at 84 Garland Street, spoke in opposition. The pole would be directly across from her driveway. She argued there is no need to move the pole as the hospital's handicap parking and access is on the side of the building. Moving the pole would exacerbate existing traffic and parking issues she experiences due to the hospital.

Councilor Hanlon made a motion to postpone to the next meeting to allow councilors to visit the site. Councilor Van Campen added to the motion to ask the city engineer to work with National Grid on finding a better location that does not disrupt Ms. Yutkins' property.

MOTION:	Postpone
MOVER:	John Hanlon
SECONDER:	Robert Van Campen
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

3. C0202-25 Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

A petition from National Grid request permission to install 1 JO pole on Thorndike Street about 35 feet southeast of existing pole #1049 to clear a future clearance issue regarding the service drop to 10 Thorndike Street

A representative from National Grid presented a petition to install a new pole on Thorndike Street to relocate the service drop feeding 10 Thorndike Street, where a church wants to install a large flag. The church could not afford the cost to relocate the existing pole, so this new design is more cost effective for them, with the cost split between the church and National Grid.

Councilor Matewsky spoke in support as the pole is for an Indian church on Thorndike Street. Councilor Pietrantonio asked for clarification on the pole's location in relation to

surrounding properties. The National Grid representative explained it would be on the same sidewalk between two existing poles. Item Number {{item.number}}

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [8 TO 0]
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Van Campen, Martins
NAYS:	
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin, Rogers, Smith

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of 05/12/2025

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of 05/19/2025

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

4. C0198-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the acceptance of a disclosure filed by Sean Hogan who has disclosed a financial interest in a municipal contract where he will receive a payment for removal of existing lettering on a spare ambulance and application of new lettering

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro

SECONDER:	John Hanlon	Item Number {{item.number}}
RESULT:	Passed [8 TO 0]	
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Van Campen, Martins	
NAYS:		
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin, Rogers, Smith	

5. **C0199-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to repurpose available unencumbered balances from ten completed school Capital Improvement projects toward additional critical and time-sensitive school Capital Improvement projects

Refer the order to the Ways and Means Committee.

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

6. **C0205-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend funds from Eversource and National Grid in the amount of \$180,000 to Department of Planning and Development for the purpose of hiring a Municipal Energy Consultant to modernize city-owned buildings by lowering emissions and creating long-term savings for the community

Eric Demas provided information on this grant to hire a municipal energy consultant. The grant is for one year and would likely bring in an outside firm plus possibly one part-time individual. After one year, they will assess whether to continue the position, which would require including it in the next fiscal year budget. Contracts are always subject to appropriation availability.

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

7. **C0206-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President Item Number {{item.number}}

An order recommending the approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 General Fund Budget as submitted by His Honor the Mayor and as amended by the City Council in the amount of \$299,329,104.00

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [7 TO 2]
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Rogers, Van Campen
NAYS:	Smith, Martins
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin, Pietrantonio

8. **C0207-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order recommending the approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund budget as submitted by His Honor the Mayor in the amount of \$23,049,312.00

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

9. **C0208-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order recommending the approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 ECTV Enterprise Fund budget as submitted by His Honor the mayor in the amount of \$581,920.00

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

10. **C0209-25** Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order recommending the approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 General Fund Capital Improvement plan as submitted by His Honor the Mayor in the amount of

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

11. C0210-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order recommending the approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 Water & Sewer Enterprise Capital Improvement plan as submitted by His Honor the Mayor in the amount of \$6,729,800.00

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

12. C0211-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order recommending the authorization of the FY2026 expenditure limits for the city's 53E½ Revolving Funds in use by many city departments.

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

13. C0214-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval on the deactivation of the Image Cast (ICP1) tabulators and to activate the newer version of the Image Cast (ICP2) tabulators. These machines are used during the voting process by the Elections Commission. Massachusetts General Laws state that the City Council is required to approve the deactivation and use of this equipment

The city clerk explained this order is to upgrade the city's voting machines. Some issues were experienced with the old machines. Under state law, the city council must approve deactivating the old machines and using the new ones. There is no appropriation needed as they are using existing election department funds. The old machines will be returned as part of a buyback program giving the city a large discount on the new machines.

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

14. C0215-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to accept and expend a donation from Lennar Corporation in the amount of \$43,103.44 for the purpose of purchasing and installing a Blue Bike station (one fifteen-unit Bicycle Station) at 65 Norman Street

Councilor Hanlon asked who will own and maintain the Blue Bike station being donated by Lennar Corporation for 65 Norman Street. It was clarified that Blue Bikes, a private bike-share company, owns and operates the system. Users can rent the bikes through an app.

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

15. C0216-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order confirming the re-appointment of Sioux Gerow to the Cultural Council for a term of Three (3) years, expiring June 1, 2028

Councilors discussed whether to refer this Cultural Council reappointment to the Legislative Affairs Committee, as is typical procedure. However, since it is a reappointment to an unpaid position that needs to be filled, and Councilor Rogers vouched for Ms. Gerow's qualifications, they decided to vote on it. The council suspended their normal rules requiring referral to Legislative Affairs.

MOTION:	Favorable Action	Item Number {{item.number}}
MOVER:	Wayne Matewsky	
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia	
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 0]	
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Martins	
NAYS:		
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin, Van Campen	

16. C0217-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval that \$2,000,000.00 be appropriated by borrowing for major repairs to the Whittier School HVAC system which include, installation of new electrical panels, wiring, and equipment. These repairs are for essential and time-sensitive repairs to the HVAC system at the Whittier School

Refer the order to the Ways and Means Committee and invite a school department representative to explain the needed HVAC repair.

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

17. C0223-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of John Russolillo, to the position of Director of Human Resources for a one (1) year term ending June 4, 2026

Refer the order to the Legislative Affairs and Elections Committee.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

18. C0153-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

In accordance with Sections 6-2 and 6-3 of the City Charter, His Honor Mayor Carlo DeMaria hereby calls for a joint meeting of the City Council and School Committee for the presentation of the city's proposed Fiscal Year 2026 operating budgets and to review the city's budget policy.

Accept the committee report on the joint budget meeting and place it on file.

MOTION:	Accept Committee Report
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

19. C0190-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$216,664 from the Insurance recovery fund. These funds were received from the insurance company related to the loss that occurred at the school administration building

Favorable action on orders C0190-25 and C0192-25 collectively as amended.

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

20. C0191-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to transfer \$14,000 from the Election Training account to the Election Salaries account. The Election Department is requesting this transfer to fund election employees

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	
SECONDER:	
RESULT:	[0 TO 0]

AYES:	Item Number {{item.number}}
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

21. C0192-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting approval to appropriate \$16,083 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Solicitor's insurance account. This appropriation is necessary to cover insurance premiums through the end of the fiscal year

Favorable action on orders C019025 and C019225 collectively as amended.

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

22. C0181-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Planning Board for a term of three (3) years, expiring May 31, 2028

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

23. C0182-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Stephanie McColaugh to the Conservation Commission for a term of two (2) years, expiring May 31, 2027

Accept committee report and hold order in committee.

MOTION:	Accept Committee Report
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia

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

24. C0197-25 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An ordinance that proposes to amend the City of Everett’s Division III (Revised General Ordinances), Chapter 9 – “Flood Damage Prevention”.

Accept the committee report and favorable action to enroll the ordinance changes as amended.

MOTION:	Enroll
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [10 TO 0]
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Marchese, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith, Van Campen, Martins
NAYS:	
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin

Accept the committee report and favorable action to enroll the ordinance changes.

MOTION:	Enroll
MOVER:	
SECONDER:	
RESULT:	[0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25. C0149-25 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President

An order requesting consideration of a proposed Tax Increment Finance (TIF) agreement between the City of Everett and The Sofia 2nd Street Owner, LLC pertaining to a mixed use redevelopment to be located at 380 Second Street

Representatives from Sofia Second Street Owner LLC discussed changes made to the proposed TIF agreement based on requests from councilors. Key points:
- Affordable housing units increased from 31 to 62, all at 30% AMI (VASH), amounting to 10% of total units. This eliminated the need for a \$1 million payment in lieu of onsite affordable units. Linkage fees reduced to \$620,000.

- A \$1,224,000 contribution to a Sofia Good Neighbor Fund within 90 days of groundbreaking, to be allocated to various community needs like a senior center van, police/fire equipment, an ambulance, a senior/disability tax relief fund, etc.
- Commitment to target 30% local hiring (402 jobs), 20% minority (268) and 10% women (134). Participation in job fairs and apprenticeships. Two community meetings within 90 days of TIF approval.
- In lieu of fully waiving the estimated \$3 million building permit fee, 0.5% of net sale proceeds will go to the city if/when the property is sold, estimated at \$3.5 million in year 10.

Councilors asked clarifying questions on aspects of the agreement. Some wanted to see a completely finalized document before voting. Others felt it had been delayed enough and the developer had made a good faith effort to accommodate council requests.

After much procedural back-and-forth, the council made several amendments:

- Delete names of specific organizations from the donation fund uses
- Add that the donation agreement transfers to future property owners
- Establish the Sofia Good Neighbor Fund 501(c)3 within 90 days of the mayor signing the TIF and donation agreements

Favorable action on order C014925, the TIF agreement, as amended.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [8 TO 0]
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Hanlon, Matewsky, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Van Campen, Martins
NAYS:	
AWAY:	Alcy Jabouin, Marchese, Smith

26. **C0155-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins as president, Councilor Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Councilor Holly Garcia, Councilor John Hanlon, Councilor Michael Marchese, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Katy Rogers, Councilor Stephanie Smith

Pursuant to Charter Section 2-7(c), the Council requires the Administration (Mayor, CFO, and Budget Director) to provide the following information and documents within seven (7) days: copies of all emails, text messages, other correspondence and draft ordinances from January 1, 2016 to the present regarding proposed or approved increases in the Mayor's salary or other compensation other than the longevity ordinances, including but not limited to C0218-16 and C0185-17

MOTION:	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER:	Robert Van Campen

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

27. C0177-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers, Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Robert J. Van Campen

Resolution requesting a status update on Central Ave. Park which remains inaccessible to residents

The Chief of Staff provided an update on Central Ave Park. The park was closed because some equipment was in unsafe condition. The administration recognizes the project has taken too long and denies ever saying it was due to lack of funding.

The DPW removed the unsafe equipment and will restore limited public access to what remains while the renovation designs are finalized. The mayor reviewed 90% complete designs, which originally included a basketball court, but neighbors expressed concerns about that. His feedback is being incorporated and then the project will go out to bid, with construction to start later this season. The full renovation likely won't be done until spring 2026.

Councilors expressed frustration with how long the process has taken, with the park having been a concern since at least spring 2024. They argued that if design work had been done sooner, construction could have started earlier to reopen the park faster. The administration was urged to expedite the work as much as possible.

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

28. C0180-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the Administration updates the City Council on the status of the \$740K ARPA funding that was approved for small businesses, nonprofits and arts organizations in Everett

The Chief of Staff provided written information on the status of this ARPA funding, but did not directly answer Councilor Smith's question as to whether the funds are limited to organizations based in Everett. The Chief of Staff clarified that applicants do not

have to be based in Everett but must demonstrate their services benefit Everett residents. Item Number {{item.number}}

Refer resolution C0180-25 to the administration with a request for monthly updates on funding recipients to ensure the money benefits Everett organization.

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

NEW BUSINESS

29. C0203-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That the Traffic Division work with Honda Cars of Boston so they are not loading cars off the truck at 6:45 in the morning blocking an entire lane and making traffic even worse

Councilor Smith noted that Everett has an ordinance prohibiting vehicle dealerships from offloading vehicles before 9am or after 9pm without police permission. However, Honda Cars of Boston was recently doing this at 6:30am, blocking a lane and causing major traffic. She asked that Sgt. Gaff from the Traffic Division visit the dealership and remind them of the ordinance to prevent this from reoccurring. Councilor Smith plans to work on potentially revising the ordinance so offloading is not allowed until later than 9am to avoid impacting morning rush hour.

Refer resolution C0203-25 to Sgt. Gaff and the Everett Police Traffic Division for enforcement action.

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

30. C0204-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

That the City Council President assemble an ad hoc capital improvement committee to work with the administration on future capital improvement projects

After discussion, Councilor DiPierro noted that the idea for an ad hoc capital improvements committee came up during budget hearings, but upon further reflection, the council's existing committee structure, like the Government Operations Committee and Committee of the Whole, can serve this purpose. He moved to refer the resolution back to himself as the sponsor.

MOTION:	Refer Back to Sponsor(s)
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Wayne Matewsky
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

31. C0212-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers, Councilor Stephanie Martins

A resolution requesting that U.S. immigration and customs enforcement (ICE) refrains from staging in municipal parking lots, including but not limited to school & police properties

Councilor Rogers and Martins explained their resolution aims to address community concerns and confusion between ICE and Everett Police. Immigrant residents are fearful because ICE has been detaining non-criminals, not just targeting gang members, sometimes pulling people from school events or off the street. This creates distrust and worry that regular police actions are actually immigration raids. Having ICE stage vehicles at the police station exacerbates this issue. While ICE and police need to work together, she wants them to avoid using school and police lots to park so residents, regardless of immigration status, feel safe accessing police services and reporting crimes.

Some councilors argued police and ICE have to cooperate as law enforcement agencies and it makes sense for them to stage at the station since Everett police know the community. They felt moving ICE would create more fear.

Councilor Rogers clarified she is not against police and ICE collaborating on criminal investigations, but objects to the optics of ICE using police/school property and possibly sowing confusion in the community. She doesn't want high-profile immigration roundups of students or other non-criminals in Everett.

Refer resolution C0212-25 to the Police Chief and request he share the council's concerns with his federal Homeland Security/ICE contacts.

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

Item Number {{item.number}}

32. C0213-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That National Grid replace lights on poles #2002 & #2003 near 207 Bow Street due to safety concerns at the request of area residents

Refer resolution C0213-25 to National Grid for action.

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

33. C0218-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the traffic department monitors speeding on Shute Street between Bryant St. and Broadway in the interest of public safety and at the request of area residents

Councilor Garcia explained residents, particularly those with small children, have complained about speeding on Shute Street between Bryant and Broadway, especially in the summer near dairy maid with no on-street parking. She attempted to get a speed bump installed last year but was unsuccessful. For now she is asking the traffic division to monitor the area and potentially reconsider a speed bump.

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

34. C0219-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That the City consider renaming the Commercial Triangle District to something more

Councilor Matewsky expressed his dislike for the name "Commercial Triangle District" for the neighborhood along Revere Beach Parkway where he lives. He argued it sounds terrible and with all the development happening there, including new apartments, it should have a better name. While there may be some commercial development, he feels it is becoming a whole new neighborhood that deserves a more appealing title, perhaps incorporating "Parkway" into the name. He asked to refer the matter to the Community Development office and Mayor's office to come up with a better name.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER:	Robert Van Campen
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

35. C0220-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the HR director send information on which Union contracts have been finalized in the last year and a half

Council President Martins explained this request came from a resident. She is seeking information from the HR Director on which union contracts have been finalized in the last 18 months, so the council can see which are coming up. She also wants to remind the unions to opt in for paid family medical leave.

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

36. C0221-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins

That the HR director provide information on the teachers' ability to choose their health insurance plan and use funds from the health insurance funds that they contribute to offset rising costs

The President of the Teachers Union contacted Council President Martins with concerns about rising health insurance premiums. The teachers want to know if they can choose a more affordable plan. They also contribute to a separate health

insurance fund and want to know if that money can be used to offset the premium increases. Council President Martins is referring the item to the HR Director for information to be provided by the next council meeting. Item Number {item number}}

Refer resolution C0221-25 to the HR Director with a request for information by the next council meeting.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
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- 37. C0222-25** Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Anthony DiPierro, Councilor Holly Garcia, Councilor John Hanlon, Councilor Michael Marchese, Councilor Wayne Matewsky, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio, Councilor Katy Rogers, Councilor Stephanie Smith, Councilor Robert Van Campen

Resolution in Support of Small Business Investment Through the Reestablishment of Outdoor Dining Seating for the Summer Months with Conditions

Council President Martins noted outdoor seating has been very helpful for local restaurants, the only recent city initiative to support small businesses other than hard-to-access ARPA funds. Some businesses have seen a big drop in customers due to recent ICE activity. However, there have been resident complaints about use of public space for outdoor dining.

She is proposing a resolution to support allowing outdoor seating from July to October, with conditions like having businesses pay a rental fee for the space, use a smaller footprint than currently (Oliveira's was cited as taking a large area), and offer discounts to residents. She wants to send a message that if the city revoked outdoor dining after the failure of the Everett Square revitalization plan that businesses opposed, that would feel retaliatory.

The City Clerk read the full text of the resolution. Councilor Marchese suggested amending the resolution to specify "outdoor dining seating" throughout, not just "outdoor seating." This amendment was approved, as was an amendment to add the full council as cosponsors.

Council President Martins made a motion to refer the resolution to the administration, Community Development, and Planning Departments for their vision on allowing outdoor dining in public spaces in a way that addresses resident concerns and lets restaurants benefit.

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MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
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38. C0224-25 Resolution/s/ Councilor Katy L. Rogers

Resolution to obtain federal report conclusive of longevity payments

Councilor Rogers expressed confusion about a quote in the Boston Globe where the mayor's Chief of Staff said the longevity payment issue was referred to the U.S. Attorney's Office by the Inspector General and no action was taken after a full federal investigation. However, the City Council never received any communication or report from the U.S. Attorney about this. Rather than spending money on lawyers, she wants to see this supposed exonerating federal report.

Refer resolution C0224-25 to the city administration and U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts to request the federal report on the longevity payment issue.

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MOVER:	Katy Rogers
SECONDER:	Robert Van Campen
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Meeting Adjourned at 10:59 PM

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