



MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY, MARCH 09, 2026 7:00 PM

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Guerline Alcy Jabouin, Michele Capone, Anthony DiPierro, Holly Garcia, Michael Marchese, Stephanie Martins, Wayne Matewsky, Vivian Nguyen, Peter Pietrantonio, Katy Rogers, Stephanie Smith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **C0050-26** Public Hearing/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

A petition from National Grid requesting permission to install 3PH underground primary in concrete encased duct from pole #3438 to a new pad-mounted transformer located on the property at 530 Second Street

The hearing remained open from the last meeting. Councilor Garcia motioned to invite the petitioners. Josea from National Grid, 170 Medford Street, Malden, appeared before the council. Councilor Matewsky thanked the petitioner from National Grid for his phone call and noted this is the site of the former Silver Fox, now an apartment building. the petitioner from National Grid indicated the work would take approximately a week to a week and a half and there would be a police detail. Public Hearing was held and no one spoke in favor or against the petition.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Peter Pietrantonio
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [10 TO 1]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Smith

NAYS:	Rogers
AWAY:	

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

2. C0064-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Erika Corbeli to the position of Commissioner of Veterans Services for a term of three (3) years, expiring March 9, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

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

3. C0068-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of Paul Sagarino to the City of Everett Library Board of Trustees for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending on March 23, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

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

4. C0069-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of Michelle Goudey to the City of Everett Library Board of Trustees for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending on March 23, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

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

5. C0070-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of Nancy Ela to the City of Everett Library Board of Trustees for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending on March 23, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

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

6. C0071-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of Mary Broderick to the City of Everett Public Works Commission for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending March 23, 2029

Amend ending date to March 23, 2029 and change board name to Public Works Commission Glenwood Cemetery Commission. Refer to committee on legislative affairs as amended.

7. C0072-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of Patricia Cheever to the City of Everett Elections Commission for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending on March 23, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Holly Garcia
SECONDER:	Katy Rogers

RESULT: Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:
NAYS:
AWAY:

8. C0073-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of John T. Spaulding to the City of Everett Zoning Board of Appeals for a term not to exceed three (3) years, commencing on March 23, 2026 and ending on March 23, 2029

Refer items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 to committee on legislative affairs

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

9. C0074-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order to formally request that the City Council take the necessary action to remove Mr. Phil Colameta from his position as a member of the Everett Housing Authority Board. *Administrative Code Section II, Subsection IV, Paragraph B*

Councilor Martins motioned to suspend the rules and take this item out of order, seconded by Councilor Pietrantonio. Councilor Martins motioned for favorable action, noting she knew Mr. Colameta personally and thanked him for his years of service, stating this was about change for the housing authority. The clerk read a letter from Mayor Robert J. Van Campen requesting the removal, citing the need for renewed engagement and continued public confidence in the housing authority's governance.

Councilor DiPierro questioned whether the mayor had the authority to make this request, citing Massachusetts General Law Chapter 121b.

City Solicitor Jaclyn Munson was invited to address the council. She explained that the mayor can do this under Chapter 43 (city charter section) Section 61, which allows the mayor to remove before the expiration of the term with majority approval of the city council without needing a reason. She clarified that where there are two statutes that both say "may," the mayor can use either mechanism.

Councilor Capone recalled that the administrative code was changed by the former mayor when he changed the library board, putting this change in place so the council would have the ability to remove someone from a board.

The motion to refer to legislative affairs failed. The motion for favorable action to

remove passed. Councilor Martins then moved for reconsideration (to prevent the item from being brought back), which failed, closing the matter.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Anthony DiPierro
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Failed [5 TO 6]
AYES:	DiPierro, Garcia, Matewsky, Nguyen, Rogers
NAYS:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, Marchese, Martins, Pietrantonio, Smith
AWAY:	

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [9 TO 2]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Smith
NAYS:	DiPierro, Rogers
AWAY:	

10. C0075-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order to accept and expend a grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources totaling \$9,000 for the City of Everett Farmer's Market Capacity Building program

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

11. C0076-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order to appropriate a total of \$100,800 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to the Everett Fire personnel account. This appropriation is needed to fund increases resulting from the recently ratified collective bargaining agreement with the Everett Fire Union

Councilor Garcia motioned to suspend rule 13 so the council could vote favorable action.

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

12. C0077-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

In accordance with section 6-6 of the City of Everett Charter, I respectfully recommend that your honorable council vote to retain the services of auditing firm Roselli and Associates to perform the city's annual independent audit for fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027

Favorable action to retain Roselli and Associates for annual independent audit for fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027.

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

13. C0078-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order to appropriate a total of \$780,000 from General Fund Budgetary Fund Balance (Free Cash) to fund the purchase of a fire suppression apparatus. This appropriation will allow the city to achieve a 50% cost avoidance and a 3 to 4 year wait time to acquire this critical piece of equipment

Refer to committee on ways and means.

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

14. C0080-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Officer Ryan Gabriel to the position of Sergeant in the Everett Police Department

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins
SECONDER:	Anthony DiPierro
RESULT:	Passed [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

PETITIONS AND LICENSES

15. C0058-26 Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

A petition requesting a new mechanical repair license for 3rd St Auto Repair Inc. at 363 3rd Street

Refer to committee on community business development.

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

16. C0059-26 Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a class two motor vehicle dealer license for Woodlawn Auto Sales at 3 Woodlawn Ave

Favorable action on items 16 and 18 collectively.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER:	Stephanie Martins
RESULT:	Passed [10 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Rogers
NAYS:	
AWAY:	Smith

17. C0060-26 Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a mechanical repair license for Woodlawn Auto Service at 3 Woodlawn Ave

The clerk noted that no action was necessary as this item was put on the agenda by error.

18. C0079-26 Petition/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

A petition requesting the renewal of a lodging house license for the Prescott House at 36 Church Street

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Wayne Matewsky
SECONDER:	Stephanie Martins
RESULT:	Passed [10 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Rogers
NAYS:	
AWAY:	Smith

Favorable action on items 16 and 18 collectively.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

19. C0037-26 Resolution/s/ Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the Director of Inspectional Services appear at the next Government Operations, Public Service & Public Safety committee meeting to answer questions about the most recent snow storm.

This item was taken collectively with item 20. Councilor Pietrantonio moved to refer item 19 back to sponsor.

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

20. C0055-26 Resolution/s/ Councilor Stephanie Martins, Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

That a representative from the DPW appear at the next Government Operations

committee meeting to answer questions for transparency regarding snow removal planning and strategy during snowstorms and post storm street clean up

This item was taken collectively with item 20. Councilor Pietrantonio moved to refer item 19 back to sponsor.

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

21. C0052-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Christopher Snook to the Everett Housing Authority Board as a Labor Representative for a term of two (2) years, beginning March 1, 2026

suspend the rules and take items 21 and 22 collectively.

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Michael Marchese
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

22. C0053-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Margaret Lever to the Everett Housing Authority Board as a Tenant Representative for a term of one (1) year, beginning March 1, 2026

MOTION:	Favorable Action
MOVER:	Michael Marchese
SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [11 TO 0]
AYES:	Alcy Jabouin, Capone, DiPierro, Garcia, Marchese, Martins, Matewsky, Nguyen, Pietrantonio, Rogers, Smith
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

23. C0026-26 Ordinance/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith

An ordinance proposing amendments to the city's fire prevention and protection regulations

Council President Smith noted that Mr. Flood had additional changes that needed to be made before it was posted in the newspaper and requested the item be held over for two weeks so Deputy Hurley and Mr. Flood could work through the changes to avoid paying twice to post.

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

24. C0048-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order proposing to amend the city's Administrative Code to establish a Department of Strategic Planning and Community Development and the position of Chief Development Officer

refer this to the city solicitor for review.

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

25. C0049-26 Order/s/ Councilor Stephanie V. Smith, as President

An order proposing to amend the city's Administrative Code to establish a Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the position of Chief Administrative and Financial Officer

Refer to city solicitor for review.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Stephanie Martins

SECONDER:	Holly Garcia
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

NEW BUSINESS

26. **C0057-26** Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro, Councilor Wayne Matewsky

That the city considers dedicating a veteran's memorial square in honor of Ronald D'Onofrio, preferably in the vicinity of Freeman Ave and Elm Street

Councilor DiPierro recognized Nino, a family member, in the audience. He spoke about Ronald D'Onofrio's service to the city of Everett and the local community, including: former president of Everett Youth Hockey, member of Everett youth baseball board, member of Association of New England football officials, former civil engineer for the city of Everett, former head of Everett's retirement board, and former head of parks, playgrounds, stadiums, and cemeteries for the city of Everett for 36 years.

Councilor Matewsky praised Mr. D'Onofrio, saying he went above and beyond the call of duty working for the city and was a first-class person. He thanked Councilor DiPierro for adding him as a cosponsor.

Refer the item to Veteran's Director for action.

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

27. **C0062-26** Resolution/s/ Councilor Anthony DiPierro

A resolution requesting The Department of Transportation and Mobility consider implementing line stripped parking boxes along Elm Street. Furthermore, it is requested that the department seek to identify other areas where they may be useful

Councilor DiPierro showed an example of the line striped parking boxes that were installed on Cottage Street a few years ago and noted some are on Broadway since it was repaved. He explained the boxes help identify parking spots, give driveways enough room, and help maximize parking spaces. He noted this would be helpful to alleviate parking concerns on side streets off Elm Street including Englewood, Calhoun, and Adams. Referred to the Transportation Planner for action.

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

28. C0063-26 Resolution/s/ Councilor Wayne A. Matewsky

That National Grid restore service for the island at 207 Broadway at residents request

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

29. C0065-26 Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia

That the MBTA repair the shattered glass in the bus shelter located at Broadway and Raymond St

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

30. C0067-26 Resolution/s/ Councilor Holly D. Garcia, Councilor Michael K. Marchese, Councilor Peter Pietrantonio

That the city consider two-sided parking on Norman St. between Kelvin St. and Williams St. from 6pm to 12am

Councilor Marchese explained that the two-sided parking at nighttime would not interfere with anything and would probably provide another six or seven parking spots. He noted the work done across the way with the 10-foot sidewalk and bike lane, commenting that if there was a chance to create some kind of retail environment in the area, this might help. referred to the traffic Commission for action.

MOTION:	Refer
MOVER:	Holly Garcia

SECONDER:	Michael Marchese
RESULT:	Passed [0 TO 0]
AYES:	
NAYS:	
AWAY:	

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:15 PM

