



CITY OF CHELSEA, MA
City Council

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CHELSEA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA
Monday, June 24th, 2024
7:00 P.M

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALLING THE ROLL OF MEMBERS

3. MEMORIUMS AND CELEBRATORY RESOLUTIONS

- a. **ID#: 24R28** – Designating Thursday, June 27th, 2024 as “North Chelsea Day”
- b. **Certificates Honoring Women Who Have Served as Acting City Manager in Chelsea**

4. PUBLIC HEARING

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. **ID#: 24M27** – Minutes of June 3, 2024 – Regular Meeting

7. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- a. **ID#: 24CM120** - Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, responding to Council Order 24131 – Garden Cemetery.
- b. **ID#: 24CM121** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting City Council approval of five-year contract for Chelsea Police Department Taser purchase.
- c. **ID#: 24CM122** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting City Council approval of five-year contract for Department of Public Works trash disposal.
- d. **ID#: 24CM123** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval for Departments to pay prior-year expenses.

- e. **ID#: 24CM124** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting City Council approval of cost-items associated with contract negotiated with NEPBA, Local 192 – 911 Dispatchers.
- f. **ID#: 24CM125** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting City Council approval of cost-items associated with contract negotiated with Teamsters Local 25 – 911 Supervisors.
- g. **ID#: 24CM126** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting City Council approval of 20-year PILOT Agreement with Flatiron Energy.

8. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS TO THE COUNCIL

- a. **ID#: 24C34** – Communication received Assistant Parking Clerk Elsa Quesada regarding the Agenda items approved at the June 4, 2024 meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission.
- b. **ID#: 24C35** – Communication received from Chelsea resident Raymond Bell regarding Chelsea High School graduation ceremony and City Council attendance.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **ID#: 24CR23** – Committee Report received from Council President DeJesus, regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on June 3rd, 2024.
- b. **ID#: 24CR24** – Committee Report received from Council President DeJesus, regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on June 4th, 2024.
- c. **ID#: 24CR25** – Committee Report received from Council President DeJesus, regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on June 10th, 2024.
- d. **ID#: 24CR26** – Committee Report received from Councilor Taylor, regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Ways and Means held on June 11th, 2024.
- e. **ID#: 24CR27** – Committee Report received from Council President DeJesus, regarding the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Conference held on June 11th, 2024.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. SECOND READINGS

- a. **ID#: 24CM115** – Communication received from City Manager Fidel Maltez, requesting approval of appointments and reappointments to Boards and Commissions.
- b. **ID#: 24F61** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council act on the report of the Community Preservation Committee on the awarding of grant funding to this FY2024 community preservation project, in accordance with MGL Chapter 44B, Section 5(3)(d) and in accordance with the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Chelsea, Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 3, Section 2-330; and appropriate \$66,000 from the Community Preservation Act Budgetary Reserve (4904) for Affordable Housing Trust Fund Housing Specialist.

- c. **ID#: 24F62** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, “budget management procedures”, whereby costs incurred in FY21 were not paid and are owed to the vendors, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY24 budget as noted, that the City Council authorizes the following expenditures to satisfy the unpaid balances that total \$6,911.38 from prior years.
- d. **ID#: 24F63** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$171,354.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Police Department – Contract Services Account #0121052-530600 for Year 3 of 5-Year Body Worn Camera Contract.
- e. **ID#: 24F64** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$50,600.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 MIS Department – Computer Equipment Account #0115558-586500 for HVAC Cooled Racks and Meriaki Access Point.
- f. **ID#: 24F65** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$30,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Structure & Grounds Department – Building Maintenance Account #0147052-542100 for contingency for repairs and maintenance, including parks.
- g. **ID#: 24F66** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$2,719.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 Auditing – Regular Salary Account #0113551-510200.
- h. **ID#: 24F67** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$6,141.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 Payroll – Regular Salary Account #0114751-510200.
- i. **ID#: 24F68** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$10,000.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 Personnel – Temporary Salary Account #0115251-510300.
- j. **ID#: 24F69** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$7,054.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 City Clerk – Regular Salary Account #0116151-510200.
- k. **ID#: 24F70** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$7,817.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 City Clerk – Overtime Account #0116151-510400.
- l. **ID#: 24F71** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$2,370.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 City Clerk – Poll Workers Account #0116151-510800.
- m. **ID#: 24F72** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the transfer of \$3,213.00 from the Salary Reserve Account #0199959-598000 to the Fiscal Year 2024 Fire – Regular Salary Account #0122051-510200.
- n. **ID#: 24F73** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$98,178.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Fire – Regular Salary Account #0122051-510200.

- o. **ID#: 24F74** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$115,331.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Fire – Overtime Account #0122051-510400.
- p. **ID#: 24F75** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$175,680.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Emergency Management – Overtime Account #0123051-510400.
- q. **ID#: 24F76** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$1,735.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Parking – Regular Salary Account #0129351-510200.
- r. **ID#: 24F77** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$19,889.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Snow – Overtime Account #0142351-510400.
- s. **ID#: 24F78** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$10,530.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Elder Affairs – Regular Salary Account #0154151-510200.
- t. **ID#: 24F79** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$29,952.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Employee Benefit – Medicare Account #0191051-517600.
- u. **ID#: 24F80** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$40,273.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 DPW Snow Removal – Salt Account # 0142352-546300, to provide supplemental funds for final snow and ice operations.
- v. **ID#: 24F81** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$7,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Fire Department – Lighting Account #0122052-521200.
- w. **ID#: 24F82** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 Fire Department – Gasoline Account #0122052-545100.
- x. **ID#: 24F83** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 City Manager Department – Community Events Account # 0112352-571700.
- y. **ID#: 24F84** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the appropriation of \$3,270.00 from Free Cash to the Fiscal Year 2024 City Clerk Department – Data Processing Services Account # 0116152-530300.
- z. **ID#: 24F85** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, “budget management procedures”, whereby costs incurred in FY22 and FY23 were not paid and are owed, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current FY24 budget, that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the following expenditures totaling \$2,549.95 and appropriate this amount from Free Cash to the FY24 Personnel Department – Life Insurance Account #0191051-517500 to satisfy the unpaid balances from prior years.

- aa. **ID#: 24F86** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, regarding the City’s six Revolving Funds.
- bb. **ID#: 24F87** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, authorizing a Revolving Account for the School Department Non-Resident Student Tuition Revolving Fund.
- cc. **ID#: 24134** - Order introduced by Councilor Teshe, that in accordance with Section 2-6 of the Charter of the City of Chelsea, the Chelsea City Council formally reclassifies the position of Clerk to the City Council as MM9 on the pay scale of Exempt Employees of the City of Chelsea; and that the Chelsea City Council formally reclassifies Clerk to the City Council Clifford Cunningham as MM9, Step 1 upon passage of this Order.

12.NEW BUSINESS

- a. **ID#: 24F88** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that in accordance with M.G.L Ch. 44, Section 64, “budget management procedures”, whereby costs incurred in FY23 were not paid and are owed to the vendors, and to meet this obligation funds are required from the current year FY24 budget as noted, that the City Council authorizes the following expenditures to satisfy the unpaid balances that total \$2,918.50 from prior years.
- b. **ID#: 24F89** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that pursuant to Section 4-3(l) of the Chelsea City Charter, the Chelsea City Council approves the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with the New England Police Benevolent Association, Inc., Local 192 (representing E-911 Dispatchers) memorialized in the Memorandum of Agreement for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 dated May 3, 2024.
- c. **ID#: 24F90** – Order introduced by Councilor Taylor, that pursuant to Section 4-3(l) of the Chelsea City Charter, the Chelsea City Council approves the cost items set forth in the collective bargaining agreement negotiated with the Teamsters Local 25 (representing E-911 Supervisors) memorialized in the Memorandum of Agreement for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 dated May 3, 2024.
- d. **ID#: 24136** – Order introduced by Council President DeJesus, that pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30B, §12, the Chelsea City Council approves a five-year contract for Tasers for the Chelsea Police Department.
- e. **ID#: 24137** – Order introduced by Council President DeJesus, that pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30B, §12, the Chelsea City Council approves a five-year contract for Trash Disposal with Wheelabrator Saugus, Inc. for the Chelsea Department of Public Works.
- f. **ID#: 24138** – Order introduced by Councilor Santagate, that the Traffic and Parking Commission look into implementing traffic calming measures on Cottage Street, particularly the section between Highland Street and Shawmut Street, to address speeding motor vehicles and mopeds.
- g. **ID#: 24139** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that the City Manager provide to the City Council a report on ARPA funds containing the following information: how much money was spent on each program; how many residents were served by each

- or program; evaluation metrics; and what processes were used to determine whether not each program should continue receiving funding.
- h. **ID#: 24140** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that the City Manager provide an update to the City Council on the restoration of the Commuter Rail Quiet Zone.
 - i. **ID#: 24141** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the Chelsea City Council amends Section 2-60 (a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Chelsea by striking the current language and replacing with the following: Effective upon the City Council term commencing January of the year Two Thousand and Twenty Six (2026), members of the City Council shall receive an annual salary of \$33,000.00.
 - j. **ID#: 24142** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager instruct relevant Departments to repair all handicap ramps around City Hall.
 - k. **ID#: 24143** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager work with relevant Department heads to ensure large vehicles and heavy equipment used for construction projects are removed from City streets at the end of each day and details are assigned to locations where such equipment cannot be removed to ensure adequate flow of traffic.
 - l. **ID#: 24144** – Order introduced by Councilor Jimenez-Rivera, that Article III, Chapter 2 of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Chelsea be further amended by adopting a new Section 2-62 which shall read as follows: 2-62. Collective Bargaining for Employees Hired by the Chelsea City Council.
 - m. **ID#: 24145** – Order introduced by Council President DeJesus, that pursuant to MGL c. 59, § 38H, the Chelsea City Council authorizes the City Manager to executed a PILOT Agreement as a payment in lieu of taxes with Flatiron Energizar Project, Energizar Storage, LLC for terms not to exceed 20 years on the property located at 284 Eastern Avenue, Chelsea; and that the Chelsea City Council authorizes the City Manager to enter into a Host Community Agreement supporting the PILOT and to help minimize impacts to the City of Chelsea.
 - n. **ID#: 24146** – Order introduced by Councilor Recupero, that the City Manager instruct the Department of Housing and Community Development to have staff available to assist residents with filling out forms related to housing rehabilitation programs.
 - o. **ID#: 24147** – Order introduced by Councilor Robinson, that the City Manager provide to the City Council a list of the members comprising the Chelsea Job Coalition as mentioned during the Council Sub-Committee on Conference held on Monday, June 10th 2024.

13.PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS