

City of Rochester, NH Preamble for November 10, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting

Good Evening, as Chairperson of the City Council, I am declaring that an emergency exists and I am invoking the provisions of RSA 91-A:2, III (b). Federal, state, and local officials have determined that gatherings of 10 or more people pose a substantial risk to our community in its continuing efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. In concurring with their determination, I also find that this meeting is imperative to the continued operation of City government and services, which are vital to public safety and confidence during this emergency. As such, this meeting will be conducted without a quorum of this body physically present in the same location.

- a.) **Public Input:** Due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19, the City of Rochester will be taking extra steps to allow for public input, while still ensuring participant safety and social distancing. In lieu of attending the meeting, those wishing to share comments, when permitted, with the City Council (Public Hearing and/or Workshop settings) are encouraged to do so by the following methods:
 - **Mail:** City Clerk/Public Input, 31 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH 03867 (*must be received at least three full days prior to the anticipated meeting date*)
 - **email** PublicInput@rochesternh.net (must be received no later than 4:00 pm of meeting date)
 - **Voicemail** 603-330-7107 (must be received no later than 12:00 pm on said meeting date in order to be transcribed)

Please include with your correspondence the intended meeting date for which you are submitting. All correspondence will be included with the corresponding meeting packet (Addendum).

In addition to the above listed public access information, the City Council will be allowing the public to enter Council Chambers and speak in person during the Public Input portion of this meeting. In an effort to adhere to CDC guidelines: enter only at the front Wakefield Street entrance and exit on the side closest to the police department and adhere to 6-foot social distancing while inside. Hand sanitizer and facemasks will be available at the Wakefield Street entrance. Participants will be admitted into Council Chambers one at a time to speak, and will exit directly thereafter. Please note; the seating in Council Chambers will not be available for the public during meetings.

At this time, I also welcome members of the public accessing this meeting by phone. The public can call-in to the below number using the conference code. This meeting will be set to allow the public to "listen-in" only, and there will be no public comment taken via conference line during the meeting.

Phone number: 857-444-0744 Conference code: 843095

b.) **Roll Call:** Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by Roll Call vote.

Let's start the meeting by taking a Roll Call attendance. When each member states their name (and/or ward), also please state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law. (Additionally, Council members are required to state their name and ward each time they wish to speak.)

Regular City Council Meeting November 10, 2020 Council Chambers 31 Wakefield Street and remotely via Microsoft Teams Immediately following the Finance Committee meeting

Agenda

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Opening Prayer
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Acceptance of Minutes
 - 5.1 Regular City Council Meeting: October 6, 2020 consideration for approval
 - 5.2 Special City Council Meeting: October 20, 2020 consideration for approval
- 6. Communications from the City Manager
 - **6.1 City Manager's Report**
- 7. Communications from the Mayor
 - 7.1 Tri-Cities Mayors' Challenge Pledge
 - 7.2 **Proclamation:** The Ridge Art Walk *forthcoming*
 - 7.3 Proclamation: Rochester City Clerks and Election

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- 8. Presentation of Petitions and Council Correspondence
- 9. Nominations, Appointments, Resignations, and Elections
- 10. Reports of Committees
 - 10.1 Codes & Ordinances Committee
 - 10.1.1 Committee Recommendation: to accept the amendments to Chapter 16 (Alarm Systems) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff consideration for approval
 - 10.1.2 Committee Recommendation: To accept the amendments to Chapter 75 (Fire and Fire Safety) as presented by City Staff consideration for approval
 - 10.2 Fidelity Committee
 - 10.3 Finance Committee
 - 10.4 Planning Board
 - 10.5 Public Safety
 - 10.5.1 Committee Recommendation: to make the North Main Street municipal parking lot one-way access with traffic entering in the northern driveway closest to the bridge and exiting from the driveway closest to the new Citizens Bank consideration for approval
 - 10.6 Public Works
 - 10.6.1 Committee Recommendation: To approve the streets, as submitted by DPW, for paving consideration for approval
 - 10.6.2 Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Appropriation to the Department of Public Works (DPW) CIP Fund in the Amount of \$200,000.00 for the Milton Road/Amarosa Drive/Salmon Falls Road Intersection Improvement Project first reading and refer to public hearing

11. Old Business

- 11.1 Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Appropriation to the Department of Public Works (DPW) CIP Fund in the Amount of \$1,000,000.00 for the FY 2021 Paving Rehabilitation Program second reading and consideration for adoption
- 11.2 Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Appropriation to the Department of Public Works (DPW) CIP Fund in the Amount of \$250,000.00 for the FY 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program second reading and consideration for adoption

12. Consent Calendar

13. New Business

- 13.1 Amendment to Chapter 200 of the General Ordinances of the City of Rochester Regarding Sewers *first reading and consideration for adoption*
- 13.2 Resolution Confirming Results of the October, 2020 Virtual Public Auction *first reading and consideration for adoption*
- 13.3 Resolution Accepting NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) Grant, in Connection with 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Day and Authorizing City Manager to Enter Into a Contract with NHDES not to exceed \$13,350.00 first reading and consideration for adoption
- 13.4 Resolution Authorizing a Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount of \$290,000.00 for the Purchase of 11 Barker Court *first reading and refer to public hearing*
- 13.5 Resolution Accepting \$726,914.00 GOFERR Coronavirus Relief Funds from the State of New Hampshire *first* reading and consideration for adoption
- 13.6 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance and Appropriation of NH State Council On The Arts Grant *first reading and consideration for adoption*

- 13.7 Motion Authorizing the City Manager to initiate investigations into feasibility of solar farm options with City of Rochester solar consultant *first reading and consideration for adoption*
- 13.8 Resolution authorizing acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$16,154.00 for the purchase of ballistic vests first reading an consideration for adoption
- 14. Other
- 15. Non-Public
 - 15.1 Non-Public Session Land, RSA 91-A:3, II (d)
- 16. Adjournment