



**City of Rochester, NH
Preamble for April 6, 2021
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
April 6, 2021
Council Chambers
31 Wakefield Street
and remotely via Microsoft Teams
6:30 PM**

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: March 2, 2021
*consideration for approval***
 - 5.2 City Council Special Meeting: March 16, 2021
*consideration for approval***
- 6. Communications from the City Manager**
 - 6.1 City Manager's Report**
- 7. Communications from the Mayor**
 - 7.1 Veteran's Council Field of Honor**
 - 7.2 Community Center Naming Ceremony**
- 8. Presentation of Petitions and Council Correspondence**

8.1 Homeless Center of Strafford County – Building permit fee waiver request

9. Nominations, Appointments, Resignations, and Elections

10. Reports of Committees

10.1 Appointments Review Committee

10.1.1 New Appointment: Samantha Merchant - Ward 2 Library Trustees, Regular Member, *term to expire 1/02/2023*

10.1.2 Re-Appointment: Kevin Sullivan – Conservation Commission, Regular Member, *term to expire 1/2/24*

10.1.3 Re-Appointment: Michael Kirwan – Conservation Commission, Regular Member, *term to expire 1/2/23*

10.1.4 Re-Appointment: James Hayden – Zoning Board of Adjustments, Regular Member, *term to expire 1/2/24*

10.1.5 Re-Appointment: Larry Spector – Zoning Board of Adjustments, Regular Member *term to expire 1/2/23*

10.1.6 Re-Appointment: Marilyn Jones – Historic District Commission, Regular Member *term to expire 1/2/23*

10.1.7 Re-Appointment: Matthew Winders – Historic District Commission, Elevate from Alternate to Regular Member *term to expire 1/2/24*

10.2 Codes and Ordinances

10.2.1 Committee Recommendation: to accept the amendments to Chapter 22 (Amusements & Entertainment) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff *consideration for approval*

10.2.2 Committee Recommendation: to accept the

amendments to Chapter 110 (Junk & Secondhand Dealers) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff *consideration for approval*

- 10.2.3 **Committee Recommendation:** to accept the amendments to Chapter 162 (Pawnbrokers) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff *consideration for approval*

10.3 Community Development Committee

- 10.3.1 **Committee Recommendation:** To revise the FY22 CDBG Housing Rehabilitation and Public Facilities funding recommendations to increase the original funding allocations *consideration for approval*

- 10.3.2 **Committee Recommendation:** To revise the FY22 CDBG Public Services funding recommendations *consideration for approval*

10.4 Fidelity Committee

10.5 Planning Board

10.6 Public Works

- 10.6.1 **Committee Recommendation:** To approve the use of \$30,000 from the Economic Development Fund for the Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment of the 45 Old Dover property *motion to refer to Finance Committee*

- 10.6.2 Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Appropriation to the Department of Public Works (DPW) Water CIP Fund in the Amount of \$100,000.00 for the Water Street Water Line Extension Project *first reading and consideration for adoption*

- 10.6.2.1 Resolution Authorizing 10 Year Financing Agreements for the Water Street Water Extension Project Pursuant to §260-31 of the City Code *first reading and consideration for adoption*

11. Old Business

11.1 Amendment To The Granite Ridge Development District (GRDD) Tax Increment Development Program & Financing Plan ("TIF Plan") Pursuant To RSA 162-K:9,IV *second reading and consideration for adoption*

11.2 Amendment To Chapter 275 Of The General Ordinances Of The City Of Rochester Regarding The Location And Boundaries Of Zoning Districts *second reading and consideration for adoption*

12. Consent Calendar

13. New Business

13.1 Resolution Authorizing Certain Renumbering on Tebbetts Road *first reading and refer to public hearing*

13.2 Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of an Emergency Management Performance Grant and Supplemental Appropriation of \$18,000.00 in Connection Therewith *first reading and consideration for adoption*

13.3 *Discussion:* Proposed Amendments to City Charter

14. Other

15. Non- Public/ Non-Meeting

15.1 Non-Public Session – Land, RSA 91-A:3, II (d)

16. Adjournment