

GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR OF BUSINESS

TUESDAY, September 12, 2023

6:00 P.M.

KYROUZ AUDITORIUM, CITY HALL

COUNCIL MEETING #2023-017

MEETINGS ARE RECORDED

CITY CLERK
GLOUCESTER, MA

2023 SEP -8 AM 10: 10



Join from Computer, Smart Device: <https://gloucester-ma-gov.zoom.us/j/81865132235>

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS/COMMENDATIONS

1. Mayor Greg Verga re: Introduction of Public Health Director, Dominique Hurley
2. City Council September Hunger Month Proclamation

CONFIRMATION OF NEW APPOINTMENTS

None

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION

- **CONFIRMATION OF REAPPOINTMENTS**

- **MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. New Appointments

Board of Registrars

Kathleen Piaggese (*fulfilling unexpired term*)

TTE 2/14/25

(Refer O&A)

2. Memorandum from Civil Engineer requesting grant of a Catholic Protection Easement on Forest Lane

(Refer P&D)

3. Memorandum from Veterans Services Director requesting acceptance of donations in the amount of \$210

(Refer B&F)

4. Memorandum from DPW Director and #2024-SBT-1 in the amount of \$150,000 for roadside vegetation cleanup and paving management

(Refer B&F)

5. Memorandum from CFO & #2024-SA-1 in the amount of \$46,000 to purchase a new 2024 GMC Sierra pickup truck for Harbormaster

(Refer B&F)

6. Memorandum from CFO and #2024-SA-2 in the amount of \$20,000 for funding match for MA DEP GAP Grant for improvements to West Gloucester and Babson Water plants

(Refer B&F)

7. Memorandum from CFO: Loan Authorization request for the Blueberry Lane paving betterment in the amount of \$68,000

(Refer B&F)

8. Memorandum from CFO: Loan Authorization request for the Ocean Highlands paving betterment in the amount of \$250,000

(Refer B&F)

9. Memorandum from Fire Chief requesting acceptance of the FEMA AFG 2022 Grant in the amount of \$82,500

(Refer B&F)

10. Memorandum from Fire Chief requesting to pay FY23 invoice with FY24 funds

(Refer B&F)

11. Memorandum from Fire Chief requesting to pay FY23 invoice with FY24 funds

(Refer B&F)

12. Memorandum from Fire Chief & #2024-SBT-2 in the amount of \$52,000 to fund purchase of two LUCAS 3 chest compression systems

(Refer B&F)

13. Memorandum from Committee for the Arts requesting the city's acceptance of a painting of City Hall by artist Kari Ruiz

(Refer B&F)

14. Memorandum from Committee for the Arts requesting the city's acceptance of a portrait of former Mayor Davis

(Refer B&F)

15. Memorandum from Committee for the Arts requesting acceptance of four seascapes by Roger Curtis

(Refer B&F)

16. Memorandum from Gloucester 400+ Executive Director with a Gloucester 400+ update

(Info Only)

17. Mayor's response to oral communications from the August 22, 2023 City Council meeting

(Info Only)

- **ADDENDUM TO THE MAYOR'S REPORT**

1. Memorandum from General Counsel re: Private road paving of Ocean Highlands

(Refer B&F)

2. Memorandum from General Counsel re: Private road paving of Blueberry Lane

(Refer B&F)

- **COMMUNICATIONS/INVITATIONS**

1. City Council Resolution re: Gloucester Education Support Professional wages

(FCV 9/26/23)

- **INFORMATION ONLY**

1. Memorandum from Executive Office of Housing & Livable Communities re: Revision to Sec. 3A Compliance Guidelines

(Info Only)

2. Public notice from the City Clerk on the September 19, 2023 Preliminary Municipal Election

(Info Only)

- **APPLICATIONS/PETITIONS**

1. SCP2023-007: Eastern Avenue #210, Map 264, Lot 23, GZO Sec. 1.8.6 "Lapse of Special Permit" to request finding of good cause that SCP2015-002 granted pursuant to GZO Sec. 2.3.4(6) "Business Uses" and Sec. 2.3.4(7) "Animal boarding, kennel – 24 hour operations," Map 264, Lot 23, has not lapsed

(Refer P&D)

• **COUNCILORS ORDERS**

- 1. CC#2023-047(Gross, Grow, Nolan): Amend GCO Ch. 21 "Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places," Sec. 21-84 "Permanent construction or repair" subsection(b), condition 4, by adding "with a cap of \$500"

(Refer O&A)

• **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS COUNCIL AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

- 1. City Council Meeting: 8/22/2023
2. Standing Committee Meetings: B&F 9/7/2023 (under separate cover), O&A 9/4/2023 (no meeting), P&D 9/6/2023 (under separate cover)

(Approve/File)

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACTION

B&F 9/7/2023

- 1. Memorandum from Public Works Director re: request to pay FY23 National Grid invoices with FY24 funds
2. Memorandum from Asst. Public Works Director re: request to pay FY23 invoice with FY24 funds
3. Memorandum from Economic Development Director requesting acceptance of Gloucester's Essex National Heritage Commission Grant 2023-24 season in the amount of \$2,500
4. Memorandum from Director of Elder Services requesting acceptance of donations in the amount of \$325

O&A 9/4/2023 (no meeting)

P&D 9/6/2023 (no items)

Individual items from committee reports may be consolidated into a consent agenda

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. PH2023-043: Amend GCO Ch. 2 "Administration," Art. V "Boards, Committees and Commissions" by DELETING Div. 10A "Disability Rights Commission" in its entirety. AMEND GCO Ch. 2 "Administration," Art. V "Boards, Committees and Commissions," Div. 8 "Human Rights Commission" by AMENDING Sec. 2-497 "Established; terms; compensation" and Sec. 2-499 "Purposes." DELETE Sec. 2-500 "Powers and duties" and add NEW Sec. 2-500 "Disability Rights Subcommittee"
2. PH2023-044: Amend GCO Ch. 5 "Building and Building Regulations," Art. IV "Construction or Restoration of City-Owned Buildings," by adding a NEW Sec. 5.62

FOR COUNCIL VOTE

CONTINUED ORAL COMMUNICATIONS IF APPLICABLE

INDIVIDUAL COUNCILOR'S DISCUSSION INCLUDING REPORTS BY APPOINTED COUNCILORS TO COMMITTEES:

- 1. Councilor Gross re: Update on the Harbor Plan
2. City Council statement regarding the Gloucester 400th celebration

(Info Only)

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COUNCILOR'S REQUESTS TO THE MAYOR

ROLL CALL – Councilor Tracy O'Neil

Meeting dates are subject to change. Check with City Clerk's Office

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, September 26, 2023

City Clerk

Minutes filed in City Clerk's Office of other Boards and Commissions August 17, 2023 through September 6, 2023

Board of Health 7/27/23; Clean Energy Commission 3/22/23; Committee for the Arts 7/25/23; Gloucester Cultural Council 5/22/23; Historic District Commission 5/23/23, 6/13/23, 6/27/23, 7/25/23; Planning Board 4/2/20; Sawyer Free Library 7/20/23, 7/25/23; Traffic Commission 5/25/23

NOTE: The Council President may rearrange the Order of Business in the interest of public convenience.

The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

UPCOMING LEGALLY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS

Cont. from 7/11/2023, TBC 10/10/23

- 10/10/23 (6:00 p.m.) Amend GCO Ch. 22, Sec. 22-270 "Parking prohibited at all times" & Sec. 22-291 "Tow-away zones" by ADDING Washington Street, westerly side, from its intersection with Centennial Avenue in a northerly direction for a distance of 110 feet"
10/10/23 (6:00 p.m.) Amend GCO Ch. 22, Sec. 22-265 "Turning movements – Generally" by ADDING "Washington Street, right lane, right turn only, Westerly side, from its intersection with Centennial Avenue in a northerly direction for a distance of 110 feet"
10/10/23 (6:00 p.m.) Amend GCO Ch. 22, Sec. 22-277 "One hour parking – Generally" by DELETING "Washington Street, at its intersection with Centennial Avenue from its southeasterly corner to its first utility pole"
10/10/23 (6:00 p.m.) Amend GCO Ch. 22, Sec. 22-270 "Parking prohibited at all times" & Sec. 22-291 "Tow-away zones" by ADDING "Washington Street, westerly side, from its intersection with Centennial Avenue in a southerly direction for a distance of 30 feet"
10/10/23 (6:00 p.m.) Amend GCO Ch. 22, Sec. 22-265 "Turning movements – Generally" by ADDING "Grove Street at its intersection with Washington Street, right turn only"