



GLOUCESTER CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR OF BUSINESS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2015
7:00 PM
KYROUZ AUDITORIUM, CITY HALL
SCCM #2015-001

CITY CLERK
GLOUCESTER, MA
15 JAN -5 AM 10:37

FLAG SALUTE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

AGENDA

- | | <u>ACTION</u> |
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| 1. Letter of resignation from Carolyn A. Kirk dated December 31, 2014 which in effect states that under Section 3-11(b) of the Charter she is resigning from the office of Mayor effective January 6, 2015 | (ACCEPT) |
| 2. Election of Interim Mayor pursuant to Section 3-11(b) of the City Charter to serve out the remainder of Carolyn A. Kirk's tenure to December 31, 2015 | (FCV) |
| 3. Oath of office to Interim Mayor | |

ROLL CALL – Paul Lundberg

Linda T. Lowe, City Clerk

This special council meeting may be continued to 7:00 P.M. on January 9, 2015 by vote of the Council

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

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, January 13, 2015

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.

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CITY OF GLOUCESTER
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

December 31, 2014

Ms. Linda Lowe
City Clerk
City of Gloucester
9 Dale Avenue
Gloucester, MA 01930

14 DEC 31 AM 10:29
CITY CLERK
GLOUCESTER, MA

Dear City Clerk Lowe,

It is with optimism about the future, both mine and the city's, that I give official notice of my resignation from the office of the Mayor of the city of Gloucester, Massachusetts. My resignation will be effective at 4pm on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

As I reflect over these past seven years at the helm of this great city of neighborhoods, I go back to my first State of the City report in April of 2008 in which I stated:

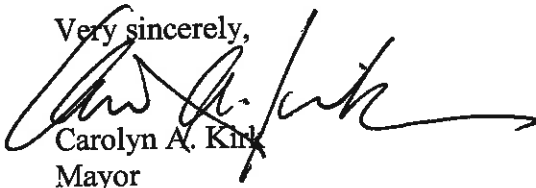
"Our Gloucester is a beautiful port city with a rich history and profound cultural heritage. The character of our city is not in its stunning physical beauty or natural surroundings. The character of our city is found in its people. People who come together to take care of their own, and rise to meet the challenges placed before them."

Today the city is at a cross-roads. Our economic base is in flux, and the conditions facing us could cripple us for years to come. Today we take the first step in turning the ship around – and we need all hands on deck to help."

The people of Gloucester weathered the Great Recession of 2008/2009, a catastrophic infrastructure failure, and a rapid decline in our core fishing industry among other challenges. The community rose up and faced every challenge head on, and supported investments in infrastructure, schools, clean energy, opening of fire stations, economic development and more.

The state of the city is sound and primed for a future that is true to the very best that Gloucester can be. It has been a privilege to serve the citizens of Gloucester, and I will never forget this city and its people who have enriched my life so very much.

Very sincerely,



Carolyn A. Kirk
Mayor