



CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

City Councillor Joseph A. DelGrosso
City Council Chamber – Revere City Hall
281 Broadway, Revere, Massachusetts 02151

Calendar

Monday, August 23, 2021, 6:00 PM

5:30PM Legislative Affairs Sub-Committee Meeting

5:45PM Appointments Sub-Committee Meeting

Salute to the Flag

1. **Roll Call of Members**

2. Approval of the Journal of the Regular Meeting of July 12, 2021

3. **21-241** That the Revere City Council award Certificates of Appreciation to the Momentum Athletic Club for their outstanding performances at the National Youth Outdoor Championship in Georgia.

4. **21-246** National Grid, Verizon, RCN, and Comcast will address the City Council relative to ongoing utility work and double poles.

Public Hearings

5. **21-247** Hearing called as ordered on the application of The McClellan Highway Development Company, LLC, c/o The HYM Investment Group, LLC, 1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114 requesting an amendment to Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere relative to the Suffolk Downs Overlay District.

6. **21-248** Hearing called as ordered on the application of The McClellan Highway Development Company, LLC, c/o The HYM Investment Group, LLC, 1 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02114 requesting an amendment to a master plan PUD special permit allowing for redevelopment within the Suffolk Downs Overlay District created pursuant to Chapter 17.26 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere.

7. **21-249** Hearing called as ordered on the application of Mikeith, LLC, 74 Regina Road, Lynn, MA seeking permission from the Revere City Council to modify and expand a nonconforming eight (8) unit apartment structure by establishing and confirming the existing ten (10) units within the apartment structure at 565-567 Beach Street, Revere, MA 02151.

Unfinished Business

8. **21-243** Motion presented by Council President Zambuto: That Rule 20 - Presentation of Awards of City Council Rules of Order be amended as follows: The maker of the motion offering the certificate(s) shall be responsible for the cost of materials for the certificate(s) at \$5.00 per certificate. The cost includes 1 presentation folder, 1 certificate, and 1 gold seal. Total cost shall be paid in full prior to the presentation and shall be paid to the Office of the City Clerk Office Materials Account.

Legislative Affairs Sub-Committee Report

9. **21-211** An Ordinance Further Amending the Short-Term Rental Ordinance.

Appointments Sub-Committee Report

10. **21-174** Comm. from the Mayor relative to the Appointment of Sara Boukdad to Zoning Board of Appeals
11. **21-213** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Appointment of Earthwork Industries as Licensed Drain Layer

Communications

12. **21-250** Communication from the Election Commissioner requesting approval for early voting in person.
13. **21-251** Communication from the Election Commissioner requesting approval of the Warrant for the Preliminary Election on Tuesday, September 14, 2021.
14. **21-252** Communication from the Chief of Police presenting the Fiscal Year 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program.
15. **21-253** Communication from Anthony Cogliandro, 105 Newman St., Revere, MA requesting that the City of Revere provide small business owners with free metered parking at their business locations.
16. **21-254** Communication from Anthony Cogliandro, 105 Newman St., requesting that the City of Revere install two crosswalks on Ward Street.
17. **21-255** Communication from the City Auditor relative to the RevereTV appropriation.
18. **21-256** Communication from the City Auditor relative to the Transportation Network Infrastructure Fund appropriation.
19. **21-257** Communication from the City Auditor relative to bond authorizations for the Fiscal Year 2022 Capital Improvement Plan.
20. **21-258** Communication from the Mayor regarding an appropriation from the Community Improvement Trust Fund for the Northern Strand Trail underpass art improvements.
21. **21-259** Communication from the Mayor regarding an appropriation from the Community Improvement Trust Fund for a mural project on the MBTA building adjacent to Butler Circle.
22. **21-260** Communication from the Mayor regarding a Resolution designating Costa Park for conservation and recreational use in perpetuity.

- 23. **21-261** Communication from the Mayor relative to Appointment of John Shue to Conservation Commission
- 24. **21-262** Communication from the Mayor regarding the appointment of Dr. Drew Bunker to Board of Health.
- 25. **21-263** Communication from the Mayor regarding the appointment of Anayochukwu Osueke to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Motions

- 26. **21-264** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City Council order to a public hearing the following amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere: Title 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by adding a new Chapter 17.27 Affordable Housing and Section 17.27.010 Percentage of Rental Units Designated for Affordable Housing - Any new development of housing with 100 units or more must designate at least 15% of all units as affordable rental units per state and federal guidelines.
- 27. **21-265** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere investigate the feasibility of a public/private partnership to convert the Municipal Parking lot on Central Avenue into affordable housing with commercial space and parking.
- 28. **21-266** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere provide public wifi at city-owned parks and squares utilizing ETP funds, online advertisers, and donations.
- 29. **21-267** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor request the Superintendent of Public Schools, Director of Finance, City Engineer, Chief of Planning & Community Development, the City Planner, School Committeeman Ferrante, and a representative from Left Field Group to provide an update on the new High School Building project to include plans, potential location selection sites, cost of takings, and cost (approximate \$300,000,000).
- 30. **21-268** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor direct the DPW to clear Grayson Path from 58 Haskell Avenue to the Everett Line.
- 31. **21-269** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of dedicating \$2 million for home improvement infrastructure.
- 32. **21-270** Motion presented by Councillor Morabito: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of installing and funding kids play sprinklers or spray fountains in all wards throughout the City.
- 33. **21-271** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor be requested to proceed with the taking of McMackin Field by eminent domain in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 79.
- 34. **21-272** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor or appropriate department be requested to communicate to Amazon that it is expected that their delivery drivers follow the rules of the road and obey local traffic ordinances.

35. **21-273** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor request the City Solicitor to draft special legislation to permit the City to charge driverless vehicles a fee for every mile driven in the City.
36. **21-274** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor request the Chief of Police to increase patrol and traffic enforcement, particularly relating to the use of dirt bikes.
37. **21-275** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor request the High School Building Committee to televise its meetings. Further, that all preliminary scope of work from the committee be provide to the Revere City Council.
38. **21-276** Motion presented by Councillor Keefe, Councillor Morabito, Council Vice-President Visconti: That the City Council award a Certificate of Commendation to Kayla & Jordan Martelli for holding their 10th annual Alex's Lemonade Stand to raise funds for childhood cancer research and treatment. To date, the Martelli's have raised over \$50,000 through their fundraiser.
39. **21-277** Motion presented by Councillor Keefe: That the following ordinance amendment be ordered to a public hearing: An Ordinance Amending Metered Rates of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere Section 1. Section 13.04.130 Meters – Metered Rates of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting the words, “or an owner-occupied residential building comprised of not more than four units” after the word “units” in the first sentence of the definition for “Residential use”. Section 2. Section 13.04.130 Meters – Metered Rates of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting the words, “except for an owner-occupied residential building comprised of not more than four units” after the word “units” in the first sentence of the definition for “Commercial use”. Section 2. Section 13.04.132 Multi-unit facility billing of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting the words, “except for an owner-occupied residential building comprised of not more than four units” after the word “units” in the first sentence.
40. **21-278** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to provide resident parking passes for the residents of the Jack Satter House and that ten (10) home care provider parking passes be provided to the administration of the Jack Satter House for their use. Further, that the Mayor request our State Delegation to request that DCR investigate the feasibility of providing visitor passes for residents at the Jack Satter House and other properties located on Revere Beach Boulevard.
41. **21-279** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor request the DPW to widen a section of Bellingham Avenue from #2 - #178. In order for the City to comply with ADA laws, sidewalk parking on Bellingham Avenue was prohibited and therefore, during the recent fire in Beachmont, fire apparatuses could not maneuver down Bellingham Avenue due to the new curb to curb parking. In addition, residents parked along this section of Bellingham Avenue frequently experience car damage because of how narrow this section is.

42. **21-280** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to designate four (4) 24-hour resident only parking spaces in the Central Avenue Municipal Parking Lot for the residents of Aucella Court and Central Avenue Rear. The Traffic Commission overlooked the residents living on these streets when metered parking was established in the Central Avenue Municipal Parking Lot.
43. **21-281** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor instruct National Grid to install street lamps on Poles 3960, 3960 1/2, and 3961 on Salem Street in North Revere, before Sully's Curve opposite the entrance to Overlook Ridge. At night, particularly in bad weather, this stretch of roadway is dark and poses a safety issue.
44. **21-282** Motion presented by Councillor Powers: That the Mayor direct the DPW to repair the seawall in front of 131 Rice Avenue. Further, that an assessment of the entire wall be made to detect any other portions of the wall that may be deteriorating. Further, that the City Solicitor and City Engineer make a determination as to who is responsible for maintaining the wall.
45. **21-283** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request DCR Traffic Engineering to redesign the intersection of Revere Beach Parkway and Campbell Avenue to change the contour to restrict the turning of traffic onto Campbell Avenue from the Revere Beach Parkway and reduce the length of the crosswalk across Campbell Avenue for the safety of pedestrians.
46. **21-284** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request DCR Traffic Engineering to redesign the intersection of Revere Beach Parkway and Hillside Avenue to change the configuration reduce the length of the crosswalk across Hillside Avenue for the safety of pedestrians and paint the appropriate crosswalk.
47. **21-285** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request DCR to provide a copy of the DCR Master Plan for Revere Beach Boulevard and the length of Ocean Avenue from Revere Street to Revere Beach Parkway.