



CITY COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting

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

Calendar

Monday, November 8, 2021, 6:00 PM

**5:00PM Ways & Means Sub-Committee Meeting**

**5:30PM Appointments Sub-Committee Meeting**

**5:50PM Zoning Sub-Committee Meeting**

**Salute to the Flag**

1. **Roll Call of Members**

2. Approval of the Journal of the Regular Meeting of October 25, 2021

3. **21-334** Motion presented by Councillor Morabito, Councillor Keefe: That the City Council award Certificates of Commendation to the Patriettes for winning the 2021 Revere Youth Girls Softball Championship.

**Public Hearings**

4. **21-277** Hearing called as ordered on the following: 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 3. 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.

5. **21-355** Hearing called as ordered on the following: An Ordinance Further Amending Title 6 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere Relative to Non-domesticated Animals.

6. **21-361** Hearing called as ordered on a loan order in the amount of \$2,589,359 for the costs of replacing the water boiler at the Beachmont School.

7. **21-368** Hearing called as ordered on the following: An Ordinance Establishing Regulations for Sustainable Food Ware and Packaging. (language attached)

8. **21-380** Hearing called as ordered application of 128 Revere Street Realty Trust, Revere, MA 02151 requesting an amendment to the Zoning Map of the City of Revere as follows: Section 1. The Zoning Map of the City of Revere is hereby amended by changing the zoning district designation of Map Block and Parcels 17-281-1, 17-280-1, 17-280-2, and 17-280-3 from the Residential B District to the General Business District.

#### **Ways & Means Sub-Committee Report**

9. **21-061** Communication from Fire Fighter Kevin O'Hara, President Local 926 requesting approval of the attached special legislation: An Act Relative to the Reserve Time of Public Safety Personnel in the City of Revere.
10. **21-100** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere investigate the feasibility of a resident entrepreneur grant program to assist local residents with seed money for solo-entrepreneurs, remote workers, free lancers, small businesses and other startups.
11. **21-112** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of utilizing funding from the American Rescue Plan to create a homeless shelter in Revere.
12. **21-113** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of creating a healthcare trust fund to increase the City's resiliency against future pandemics.
13. **21-114** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of purchasing military surplus portable medical tents utilizing American Rescue Plan funds. These units can be used for emergency housing for Revere residents displaced from fire, natural disaster, and medical use such as treatment and quarantine capacities.
14. **21-215** Motion presented by Councillor Morabito, Councillor Giannino, Councillor McKenna, Councillor Serino: That the Mayor be requested to dedicate all parking meter revenue generated at the Central Avenue / Sprague Street Municipal Parking Lot for building maintenance and improvement purposes for the Rossetti Cowan Senior Center.
15. **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.
16. **21-320** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere establish a Revere Futures Committee. The purpose of the committee would be to act as a think tank for Revere in the realm of education, business, and infrastructure. In addition, committee members would also help to foresee and mitigate future problems and challenges, then present several proposals and solutions to be presented to the Mayor. This group would also be instructed to actively search for future potential candidates that could help the membership grow and evolve.

#### **Appointments Sub-Committee Report**

17. **21-339** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Appointment of Jan Dumas to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees
18. **21-340** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Reappointment of John Dove to the Library Board of Trustees
19. **21-341** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Reappointment of Mark Ferrante to the Library Board of Trustees
20. **21-342** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Reappointment of Frank Schettino to the Library Board of Trustees
21. **21-343** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Reappointment of Nancy Sponnato to the Library Board of Trustees
22. **21-357** Communication from the Mayor relative to the Appointment of Feeney Brothers Excavation LLC as Licensed Drain Layer.

**Zoning Sub-Committee Report**

23. **21-353** 333 Lee Burbank, LLC, 333 Lee Burbank Highway, Revere, MA 02151 requesting permission from the Revere City Council to convert the existing office building to establish twelve (12) apartment units, therein, by the filing of Planned Unit Development for the property located at 333 Lee Burbank Highway, Revere, MA 02151.

**Rule 23's: In accordance with Rule 23 of the City Council Rules of Order, the following Council Orders will be placed on file.**

24. **20-034** Communication from the Mayor relative to municipal building improvements.
25. **20-039** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere look into the feasibility of adding zoning to permit vertical farming within the city limits.
26. **20-040** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere look into the feasibility of creating micro unit zoning for 55 and older persons and disabled veterans. (Micro unit is less than 300 sq feet and includes bathroom and kitchenette).
27. **20-041** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere look into the feasibility of installing a camera and telephone in every playground and park within the city limits similar to the safety cameras and telephones on college campuses. Furthermore, that the City of Revere hire staff or fulfill this need with trained volunteers to monitor cameras to aid dispatch.
28. **20-082** Motion presented by Councillor Keefe: That the City Council request the McMackin Little League Board of Directors to appear before the City Council to explain the intentions of their organization to restore the use of the property as a baseball field.
29. **21-030** Motion presented by Councillor Giannino, Councillor Serino: That the City Council approve the attached Resolution: Resolution Urging Fair and Full Employment Opportunities at Amazon.

30. **21-070** Communication from the CFO/City Auditor relative to the adoption of MGL Chapter 32B, Sections 21-23.
31. **21-089** Communication from the City Auditor relative to a presentation on Municipal Health Insurance.
32. **21-133** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the following proposed ordinance amendment be ordered to a public hearing: An Ordinance Further Amending the Requirements for the Storage of Trash Section 1. Section 8.06.020(C) Requirements for the Storage of Trash of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by inserting "containers that have a city waiver sticker" after the words "rodent-proof material".
33. **21-137** Hearing called as ordered on An Ordinance Amending Street and Sidewalk Openings - Construction Procedures.
34. **21-164** Motion presented by Councillor Morabito: That the Mayor request the Fire Chief to conduct an inspection of all city-owned buildings and provide the City Council with an inspection report, determining whether buildings pass or fail fire safety codes.
35. **21-167** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request representatives from Capitol Waste to appear before the City Council to discuss consistent missed pickups. A similar motion was filed in July, 2020, and went totally ignored by Capitol Waste.
36. **21-216** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to consider adjusting the number of visitor permits from 1 to 2 per household.
37. **21-236** Motion presented by Council President Zambuto, Councillor Novoselsky, Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor investigate the feasibility of remodeling and repairing the Veterans' Memorial on the American Legion Lawn as requested by Veteran Affairs Director Silvestri.
38. **21-242** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City of Revere investigate the feasibility of providing space at the McKinley School or other city-owned building to non-profits in the City of Revere which educate, advocate, and advance the rights of immigrants, refugees, low income women, and their families through organizing leadership development and service delivery.
39. **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. In conjunction with the proposed ordinance above, that \$2 million from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund be dedicated to home improvement infrastructure.

### **Communications**

40. **21-381** Communication from the Election Commissioner requesting approval of the in-person early voting schedule.
41. **21-382** Communication from Attorney Evan James Pilavis requesting that the City Council accept a donation of land for open space and conservation purposes MBP 4-90-002 Revere Beach Parkway presently owned by Mr. Paul Ferragamo.
42. **21-383** COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY AUDITOR RELATIVE TO THE PARITY SALARY ORDINANCE
43. **21-384** Communication from the Chairman of the Board of Assessors requesting that the City Council hold a public hearing for the purpose establishing the Minimum Residential Factor for adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022 tax rate.
44. **21-385** Communication from the Mayor relative to the 2021 Proposed Ward and Precinct Map

**Motions**

45. **21-386** Motion presented by Councillor Giannino: That the Revere City Council proclaim November 8, 2021 as World Pancreatic Cancer Day. Proclamation attached.
46. **21-387** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to have the Inclusionary Committee provide an update to the City Council on a weekly basis. Furthermore, that the committee provide the City Council with a copy of any polls they are using to gather community input.
47. **21-388** Motion presented by Council President Zambuto: That the City Council order to a public hearing an ordinance repealing Section 2.03.050(E) of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere.
48. **21-389** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City Council create an Inclusionary Zoning and Affordable Housing Sub-Committee.
49. **21-390** Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the City Council award a Certificate of Appreciation to WBZ reporter and Revere resident Cheryl Fiandaca for her diligence and reporting on the removal of parking meters on Revere Beach. Without her coverage the meters would have never been removed.
50. **21-391** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request the Board of Health and the License Commission to take the necessary actions to ban the sale of nips from all establishments in the City of Revere effective as soon as possible.