



CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

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

Calendar

Monday, February 7, 2022, 6:00 PM

5:00PM Public Safety Sub-Committee Meeting

5:30PM Appointments Sub-Committee Meeting

Salute to the Flag

1. **Roll Call of Members**

2. Approval of the Journal of the Regular Meeting of January 24, 2022

3. **22-030** Motion presented by Councillor Cogliandro: That Certificates of Appreciation be awarded to the following individuals in recognition of their work at the Veterans' Food Bank since the beginning of the pandemic in 2020: Richard Savage, Kathleen Savage, Jeannine Zichella, Ella DiPrima, Carol Pizziferri, June Deneen, Donald Boudreau, Betzy Martinez, William Reedy, Shawn Morris, John Coyne, Nicholas Rudolph, Mark Matheson, and Donna Dreezen.

Public Safety Sub-Committee Report

4. **22-007** Communication from the Mayor relative to the 2022 update to the Municipal Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Appointments Sub-Committee Report

5. **22-009** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Steven Betterman to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees.

6. **22-010** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Laila Pietri to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board of Trustees.

7. **22-022** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Nicholas Rudolph to Conservation Commission.

8. **22-028** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Megan Simmons-Herrling to the Planning Board.

Communications

9. **22-036** Communication from the Election Commissioner requesting feedback on polling locations in the City of Revere.

10. **22-057** Communication from the Mayor requesting an amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere relative to Drain Layers.

11. **22-058** Communication from the Mayor relative to the appointment of Brian Averback to the Conservation Commission.

12. **22-059** Communication from the Mayor relative to the reappointment of Joseph LaValle to the Conservation Commission.
13. **22-060** Communication from the Mayor relative to the reappointment of Heather Legere to the Conservation Commission.

Motions

14. **22-038** Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor request Planning & Community Development to pursue State grant funds in the Shared Streets and Spaces Program for the purpose of applying for a raised crosswalk on Campbell Avenue at the public stairs. Additionally that portable speed bumps for spring, summer and fall weather be installed on Campbell Avenue, upper Centennial Avenue, the long end of Hichborn Street, and various locations on Garfield Avenue and Standish Road between Eliot Road and Curtis Road.
15. **22-039** Motion presented by Councillor Cogliandro, Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to amend Schedule IV of Title 10 Isolated Stop Signs by removing Conant Street for Northeast bound and Southwest bound traffic at the intersection of Rumney Road. Further, that the DPW be directed to remove the stop sign upon the approval of the amendment by the Traffic Commission.
16. **22-040** Motion presented by Councillor Cogliandro: That the Mayor direct the Chief of Police to increase patrols on Proctor Avenue. This neighborhood continues to be affected by speeding.
17. **22-041** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request National Grid to install a street lamp on Pole 2793 in front of 58 Carlson Avenue. Years ago, a car took the pole down, and when the pole was replaced, the street lamp never got replaced.
18. **22-042** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request National Grid to lower the wattage of the light in the street lamp on Pole 2591 in front of 60 Kingman Avenue. The current wattage is shining in neighbors' homes, and has become a nuisance.
19. **22-043** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Fire Chief appear before the City Council's Public Safety Committee to discuss the state of the Revere Fire Department's fleet of trucks and their maintenance. Residents in Ward Six have been inquiring regarding Engine 3's use of a Chelsea fire truck in recent weeks and months.
20. **22-044** Motion presented by Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request Overlook Ridge and MassDOT to provide the City with an update regarding the eventual reconfiguration of the entrance to Overlook Ridge and access to Route 1.

21. **22-045** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna, Councillor Keefe: That the Mayor be requested to communicate the City's concerns to Congresswoman Katherine Clark relative to 5G antennas within a two and half mile radius of Logan Airport. The FAA and recent data has shown that 5G antennas can disrupt flight instruments on airplanes. Beachmont is directly under the flight path from Logan Airport and any airplane interference from 5G antennas would be catastrophic for this neighborhood.
22. **22-046** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the City Council issue a Certificate of Appreciation to Hennisee Gomez, Property Manager of Broadway Towers. Hennisee has been a wonderful asset to the residents of Revere by assisting fire victims and those in need by providing housing at reasonable rates.
23. **22-047** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna, Councillor Fiore: That the Mayor request the appropriate department to purchase sandbags in preparation for future storms for use by residents. Many residents reside in low lying neighborhoods who would benefit from sandbags around their foundations to prevent flooding. I received several calls from residents requesting sandbags during the blizzard last weekend.
24. **22-048** Motion presented by Councillor Rizzo, Councillor Serino: That the Mayor request the MassDOT to widen the deceleration lane on Rte 60 (Squire Rd.) heading eastbound for entry into Northgate Shopping Plaza.
25. **22-049** Motion presented by Councillor Rizzo: That the following amendment to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere be ordered to a public hearing: An Ordinance Amending the Time Requirements for the Placement of Trash for Curbside Collection Section 1. Section 8.06.030D Time, Requirements for the Placement of Trash for Curbside Collection; time and method is hereby amended by deleting the first sentence and inserting in place thereof, "Trash carts and containers authorized for curbside collection shall be placed for curbside collection no earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the day before scheduled collection and no later than 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection from April 1st to October 31st and no earlier than 4 p.m. on the day before scheduled collection and no later than 7 a.m. on the day of collection from November 1st to March 31st."
26. **22-050** Motion presented by Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor be requested to utilize capital improvement stabilization funds to purchase a snow melting machine for the DPW. Snow is only plowed and never removed in highly congested areas of the City. Removing snow from these areas is the most efficient way to free up on-street parking spaces and improve pedestrian safety and walkability after storms.
27. **22-051** Motion presented by Councillor Fiore, Councillor McKenna: That the Mayor request the Traffic Commission to remove the parking meters from the Central Avenue Municipal Parking Lot.
28. **22-052** Motion presented by Councillor Fiore: That the Mayor be requested to appear before the City Council to explain why the taxpayers, as opposed to the City, are being charged 3 percent or more to pay taxes with a credit card.

29. **22-053** Motion presented by Councillor Cogliandro: That the Mayor designate the walking path entrance connecting Cooledge Street and Gordon Road as a pedestrian walking path. Further, that the Mayor direct the DPW to ensure that area is clearly marked as such and plowed properly so children can safely walk to school.
30. **22-054** Motion presented by Councillor Silvestri: That the City Council approve the following Home Rule, An Act Relative to Term Limits for the Office of Mayor, City Council, and School Committee. Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 59 of chapter 43 of the General Laws, no person shall hold the office of city councillor for more than five terms. Section 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 31 of chapter 43 of the General Laws, no person shall hold the office of school committee member for more than five terms. Section 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17C of chapter 43 of the General Laws, no person shall hold the office of mayor for more than three terms. Section 4. This act shall not apply to any person holding the office of mayor, city councillor, or school committee member who has exceeded the term limits as provided for in Sections 1 through 3 on the effective date of this act. Section 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
31. **22-055** Motion presented by Councillor Silvestri: That the Mayor be requested to provide all first responders in the City of Revere with \$500 from ARPA funds for their committed service during the Covid-19 pandemic.
32. **22-056** Motion presented by Councillor Silvestri: That the City Council award Certificates of Appreciation to the 5th Grade Peer Leadership Team for collecting winter gloves and hats for those in need.
33. **22-061** Motion presented by Councillor Fiore: That the City Council request the City Solicitor to provide the City Council with a legal opinion regarding the Mayor's authority to allow multiple members of boards and commissions terms to expire and continue to serve without confirmation of the City Council.