

GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL
221st Regular Meeting Minutes
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MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Order no. FY 22-011

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Elmer, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL TAKE FROM THE TABLE ORDER NO. FY 22-001 “UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, THAT IT BE ORDERED THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE GREENFIELD MONTAGUE TRANSPORTATION AREA (GMTA) TO SELL 382 DEERFIELD STREET, ASSESSORS MAP 15-4-0, UNDER THEIR AUTHORITY AS THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY ” WHICH WAS TABLED AT THE JULY 21, 2021, CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Order no. FY 22-001 It was by roll call, 10 no, 3 abstentions,

DEFEATED: THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER, AUTHORIZES THE GREENFIELD MONTAGUE TRANSPORTATION AREA (GMTA) TO SELL 382 DEERFIELD STREET, ASSESSORS MAP 15-4-0, UNDER THEIR AUTHORITY AS THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY.

Order no. FY 22-012

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Elmer, it was by roll call, 10 yes, 3 no,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 1, INCORPORATION; SHORT TITLE; DEFINITIONS, SECTION 1-7: DEFINITIONS, NOT BE AMENDED.

Order no. FY 22-013

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Forgey, it was by roll call, 4 yes, 9 no,
DEFEATED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 2 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, SECTION 2-1: COMPOSITION; TERM OF OFFICE (b) TERM OF OFFICE, BE AMENDED AS INDICATED BELOW WITH STRIKETHROUGH TEXT TO BE REMOVED AND BOLD TEXT TO BE ADDED:

(b) *Term of Office* – The term of office for City Councilors shall be for ~~2~~ **4** years, beginning on the first business day of January after the City Election, and until the City Councilors’ successors have been qualified.

AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER.

Order no. FY 22-015

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Forgey, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,
VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 2, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, SECTION 2-2: COUNCIL PRESIDENT, (A) ELECTION AND TERM, BE AMENDED AS INDICATED BELOW WITH STRIKETHROUGH TEXT TO BE REMOVED AND BOLD TEXT TO BE ADDED:

SECTION 2-2: COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

~~(a) Election and Term – As soon as practicable after the Councilors elect have been qualified following each City Election or~~ On the first business day of the new year, the members of the City Council shall elect from among its members a Council President **and Vice President** who shall serve during the ensuing year.

AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER.

Order no. FY 22-016

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Mayo, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 2, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, SECTION 2-2: COUNCIL PRESIDENT, (C) COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT, BE AMENDED AS INDICATED BELOW WITH STRIKETHROUGH TEXT TO BE REMOVED AND BOLD TEXT TO BE ADDED:

SECTION 2-2: COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

(c) *Council Vice-President* - ~~The members of the City Council shall also elect from among its members a Council Vice-president who shall serve as Acting President~~ **The Vice-President shall serve as Acting President** during the temporary absence or disability of the Council President during the ensuing term of office. The powers of an acting Council President shall be limited to only those powers of the president as may be necessary to the conduct of the business of the City Council in an orderly and efficient manner and which may not be delayed.

(d) **Vacancies in the office of President or Vice President – In the event the Council President or Vice President shall vacate their office for any reason prior to the end of their term of office, at the next regularly scheduled meeting after such vacating and prior to conducting business the Councilors shall elect from among its members a successor President or Vice President to serve for the remainder of the term.**

AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER, AS AMENDED.

Order no. FY 22-017

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Forgey, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no, **VOTED:** THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY CHARTER ARTICLE 2, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH SECTION 2-6: EXERCISE OF POWERS; QUORUM; RULES, (C) RULES OF PROCEDURE, 2, BE AMENDED AS INDICATED BELOW WITH STRIKETHROUGH TEXT TO BE REMOVED AND BOLD TEXT TO BE ADDED:

2. Special meetings of the City Council shall be held at the call of the Council President, or, on the call of any five (5) or more members, by written notice delivered in hand or to the place of residence of each member **or by secure electronic communication that allows receipt confirmation** and which contains a listing of the items to be acted upon. Except in case of an emergency, of which the Council President shall be judge, such notice shall be delivered at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the time set for such meeting. A copy of the notice to members shall, forthwith, be posted upon the City bulletin board.

AND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL FURTHER INSTRUCTS THE CITY CLERK TO SUBMIT THE APPROVED VOTE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS AND REQUEST SAID LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE CITY CHARTER.

Order no. FY 22-009

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Mayo, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR WEDEGARTNER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, THE SUM OF \$10,000 BE TRANSFERRED FROM 01001320.5781 RESERVE FUND TO DPW PARKS 01004380.5433 SWIM AREA MATERIALS TO COVER EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNFORESEEN FLOODING AT NASH MILL ROAD RECREATION AREA.

Order no. FY 22-021

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Desorgher, second by Councilor Forgey, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR ROXANN WEDEGARTNER, THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZES THE MAYOR TO RELEASE THE CITY'S RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST IN THE PAPER STREET THAT GOES ACROSS THE PROPERTY AS SHOWN ON PLAN BOOK 6, PAGE 97 AND FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF LOT 13, THENCE CONTINUING IN A WESTERLY DIRECTION ALONG LOTS 14, 15, AND A PORTION OF LOT 16 TO THE EASTERLY SIDE OF THE EXISTING PRIVATE ROAD A TOTAL DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 260 FEET, THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE PRIVATE ROAD TO LOT 38 BEING APPROXIMATELY 60 FEET, THENCE EASTERLY ALONG LOTS 38, 39, 40, AND LOT 23 TO MONTAGUE CITY ROAD APPROXIMATELY 260 FEET, AND THEN SOUTHERLY ALONG MONTAGUE CITY ROAD APPROXIMATELY 60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING ALL AS SHOWN ON THE A CERTAIN PLAN OF LAND RECORDED IN FRANKLIN REGISTRY OF DEEDS IN PLAN BOOK 6, PAGE 97.

Order no. FY 22-022

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Guin, second by Councilor Mayo, it was by roll call, 13 yes, 0 no,

VOTED: THAT IT BE ORDERED THAT THE GREENFIELD CITY COUNCIL, PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 2-10, AFFIRMS THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR TO THE GREENFIELD CULTURAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE: GRETCHEN GREEN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE UPON COMPLETION OF PROJECT.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Forgey, second by Councilor Gilmour, it was, unanimously,

VOTED: TO INCLUDE THE INSERTION OF A MEMORIAM PAGE IN THE MINUTES TO COMMEMORATE THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIVES LOST ON THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001, ATTACKS.