

Agenda



February 14, 2012

Roll Call
Moment of Silence
Pledge of Allegiance

Accept minutes of January 10, 2012.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Richard J. Fortucci, Treasurer/CFO
RE: Comptroller Appointment

Discussion with Chief Financial Officer regarding Comptroller's position.
Questions for proposed candidate.
Appointment of Comptroller

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Proposed abandonment of a portion of land known as Essex Street, located at McGloin Square, as shown on a plan entitled "Lynn, Massachusetts, Plan of High Rock Park prepared for the City of Lynn by Reid Land Surveyors, and dated December 15, 2010." (Colucci)

Public Hearing relative to a burnt, dilapidated or dangerous building or other structure located at 22 High Rock Street and, after hearing may make record an order adjudging it to be a nuisance to the neighborhood or dangerous and prescribing its disposition, alteration, or regulation all as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 139, Section 1. (Colucci)

Petition of Irving Federal Street, LLC, James Irving, for permission to perform automotive repairs of engines and mechanical components with related inside storage of inflammables at 77 Marion Street, 452-454 Boston Street. (Ford)

Petition of Apsara-Angkor Restaurant, Sokhoeun Chea, for a sign permit at 877 Western Avenue. (Capano)

Petition of All Care VNA and Hospice, James Treacey, for a sign permit at 210 Market Street. (Crighton)

Petition of Lisa Velando Muscular Therapy, Lisa Velando, for permission for a Muscular Therapy Office – Massage & Physical Therapy in a Light Industrial Zone at 161 Eastern Avenue, Unit #2. (Cyr)

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE SET DOWN:

Petition of Joseph C. Cormier, American By Products, Inc., for permission for a recycling business with storage of flammables at 77 Alley Street. (Capano)

Petition of Verizon, Robert E. Grassia, for permission to remove one pole and place one pole at Hutchinson Court and remove one pole and place one pole at Johns Avenue. (Colucci)

Petition of Verizon, Robert E. Grassia, for permission to remove one pole and place one pole at River Street. (Capano)

Petition of National Grid, Jason Dwyer, for permission to install approximately 10' of PV conduit from P8 to #36 Spencer Street. (Ford)

Petition of National Grid, Jason Dwyer, for permission to install approximately 70' of conduit from existing manhole on Market Street to the property line of 195 Market Street. (Crighton)

Petition of National Grid, Jason Dwyer, for permission to install conduit as follows: Beginning at a point approximately 10' Northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Spring Street and continuing approximately 6400' in a northeasterly direction, to install approximately 6300 feet of 12-5' and approximately 938 feet of 6-5' PVC-EB conduit and miscellaneous underground equipment and the

installation of 16 manholes at Broad, Lewis, Ocean, New Ocean, Carroll, Exchange, Silsbee Streets and Eastern Avenue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Finance Committee of January 24, 2012:

Ordered that the City Comptroller is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

From the Account of Insurance Losses > \$20,000
To the Account of Inspectional Services Expense: \$11,413.80

From the Account of DPW Expense:
To the Account of DPW Unpaid Bills of Prior Year: \$14,000.00

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

License Committee
Public Property Committee
Finance Committee

NEW BUSINESS:

Offered by Councilors Barton, Cahill, Capano, Crighton, and Net:

People's Rights Resolution

WHEREAS, We the people adopted and ratified the United States Constitution to protect the free speech and other rights of people, not corporations;

WHEREAS, Corporations are not people but instead are entities created by the law of states and nations;

WHEREAS, for the past three decades, a divided United States Supreme Court has erroneously transformed the First Amendment into a powerful tool for corporations seeking to evade and invalidate the people's laws;

WHEREAS, this corporate misuse of the First Amendment and Constitution has reached an extreme conclusion in the United States Supreme Court's ruling in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission;

WHEREAS, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission overturned longstanding precedent prohibiting corporations from spending corporate general treasury funds in our elections;

WHEREAS, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission unleashes a torrent of corporate money in our political process unmatched by any campaign expenditure totals in United States history;

WHEREAS, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission purports to invalidate state laws and even state Constitutional provisions separating corporate money from elections;

WHEREAS, Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission presents a serious and direct threat to our republican democracy;

WHEREAS, Article V of the United States Constitution empowers and obligates the people and states of the United States of America to use the constitutional amendment process to correct those egregiously wrong decisions of the United States Supreme Court that go to the heart of our democracy and republican self-government; and

WHEREAS, the people and states of the United States of America have strengthened the nation and preserved liberty and equality for all by using the amendment process throughout our history, including in seven of the ten decades of the 20th Century, and including to reverse seven erroneous Supreme Court decisions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LYNN CITY COUNCIL CALL UPON THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS AND SEND TO THE STATES FOR RATIFICATION A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO REVERSE CITIZEN UNITED V. FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION AND TO RESTORE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND FAIR ELECTIONS TO THE PEOPLE.

By the People of the great City of Lynn in the County of Essex, Massachusetts.