

CITY OF LYNN

City Council Meeting, November 18, 2025

Council President John M. Walsh, Jr.

Nine Councilors Present (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain absent).

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Hogan to accept the Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2025.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Citation: Ivelisse Gonzalez, Chief Engagement Officer at Eastern Bank

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Order to approve the percentages of the FY'26 Tax Levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property and the financial effect of available alternatives, including the open space discount, the residential exemption, and the small commercial exemption at the lowest residential rate.

Motion made by Councilor Chakoutis and seconded by Councilor Field to set the FY'26 Tax Levy at the lowest Residential Rate.

Motion carried by the following ye and nay vote:

8 YES 1 NO (Councilor Meaney voting NO; and Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Petition of John Marshall, 11 Vieira Drive Peabody, for permission to build an accessory structure on his property that is partially in Lynn.

The following appeared in Favor:

John Marshall, 11 Vieira Drive, Peabody

No one appeared in Opposition.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion made by Councilor Meaney and seconded by Councilor Net to TABLE.

Motion carried.

Petition of Jose Perez Valdez, 44 Murray Street for an All Alcohol License at a New Restaurant located at 680 Western Ave.

No one appeared in Favor.

No one appeared in Opposition.

Public Hearing Closed.

Motion made by Councilor Hogan and seconded by Councilor Net to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain absent).

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE SET DOWN:

Proposed Ordinance to Amend the City of Lynn Zone Ordinance (clean-up and changes to the Inclusionary Zone Ordinance)

Special Permit request from Brian Jones 922 Flaherty Drive, New Bedford MA, owner of Plumbers Supply Company for a large format retail use in a Research and Development Zone at 150 Blossom St.

Motion made by Councilor Hogan and seconded by Councilor Matul to set down for Public Hearings.

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report of the November 18, 2025 Committee on Recreational Cannabis Site Plan Review:

1. Discussion re: EST. 1776 LLC, 86 Sanderson Avenue
(Delivery Operator) – Motion made by Councilor Alinsug and seconded by Attorney Lamanna to refer back to EDIC. Motion carried.
2. OTHER BUSINESS

REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the November 18, 2025 Committee on Licensing recommending the following to be accepted:

TAXI OPERATOR – NEW

Hernandez Gonzalez, Hector – 90 Reservoir Ave. Revere, MA - **Granted**

Jaquez, Meggi - 93 Jefferson St. - **Granted**

Smith De Aguirre, Mireya – 53 Elm St. - **Granted**

AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE – NEW

326 Chatham St., Dostert and Dove LLC, d/b/a D and Dove Automotive, Evan Dostert, owner. 860 Western Ave., Lynn Auto Repair, Daniel Melo, Owner- **TABLED**

CLASS I AUTO DEALER – RENEWAL

522-540 Lynnway, Kelly Honda- **Granted**

671 Lynnway, Atlantic Toyota Group, Inc- **Granted**

CLASS II AUTO DEALER – RENEWAL

26 Bennett St., REM Auto Sales- **Granted**
 174 Broad St., Olympic Auto Body and Sales Inc. - **Granted**
 295 Lynnway, Lynnway Auto Sales- **Granted**
 592 Lynnway, The Hertz Corp. - **Granted**
 730R Lynnway, Coast Corp, Car Sales Inc. - **Granted**
 732R Lynnway, Coast Corp. Car Sales Inc. - **Granted**
 847-853 Lynnway, North Shore Group LLC. - **Granted**
 232-234 Western Ave., AJ's Auto Sales- **Granted**

AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE – RENEWAL

282 Lynnway, U-Haul- **Granted**

FLAMMABLE – RENEWAL

522-540 Lynnway, Auto Zone #5122- **Granted**
 183 Shepard St., A1 Exterminators- **Granted**

CHRISTMAS TREE-RENEWAL

626 Lynnway, AL Three Brothers Landscaping, LLC. - **Granted**

FOOD TRUCK- RENEWAL

702 Lynnway, Tex Mex Express Hecho - **Granted**

PUBLIC HEARING

Meadow Park Sales and Repair at 8 Burrus Square, owner Jose Grullon, Hearing to show cause why the Licenses should not be revoked. – **Has until December 1, 2025 to bring all open code violations up to date. Stipulation: Report 60-90 days to License Committee, not open until approved, every 6 months for 1 year. Last option to comply. Motion carried.**

OTHER BUSINESS**CANNING**

Lynn Classical Girls Cheering (Adults Only) – December 19, 20, 21, 2025
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the November 18, 2025 Committee on Ways and Means recommending the following to be accepted:**TRANSFERS:**

Transfer the sum of TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$288,000.00)

From the Account of <u>87055-596007</u>	Act's of 2018-Exp	\$288,000.00
To the Account of <u>0115152-578006</u>	Awards Exp	\$288,000.00
To fund Awards and Judgements.		

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

WHEREAS, A Special Emergency exists involving the peace, health and safety of the people or their property in the City of Lynn.

THEREFORE BE IT VOTED BY THE LYNN CITY COUNCIL THAT THE FOREGOING CONSTITUTES AN EMERGENCY.

**Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
 9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).
 Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
 9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).**

Transfer the sum of EIGHTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$18,100.00)
 From the Account of 0113252-578000 Reserve-Exp \$18,100.00
 To the Account of 0142552-524020 DPW-Exp \$18,100.00
 To fund repair for DPW vehicle, insurance check was deposited into General Funds in FY25.

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 9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).
 Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
 9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).**

Transfer the sum of FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$40,000.00)
 From the Account of 0113252-578000 Reserve-Exp \$40,000.00
 To the Account of 0112152-530000 Mayor Outside-Exp \$40,000.00
 To fund MMA code rewrite.

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Transfer the sum of TWO HUNDRED NINETY FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$294,250.00)
 From the Account of 87055-596007 School Op's Stab-Exp \$294,250.00
 To the Account of 0124152-524008 Fire-PR \$294,250.00
 To fund ISD School Maintenance Contract.

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY TWO DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$156,352.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Health Department by the Department of Elder Affairs (ELD) for the Operations and Support of the Senior Center Grant Program for FY26 payment 1 of 2. Grant Period is 11/18/25-06/30/26

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FORTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$45,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Planning Department by the Massachusetts Office of Travel & Tourism (MMP) to fabricate and install the wayfinding signage designed through a previous MOTT grant. Grant Period 10/25/25-06/30/27

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$150,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Barr Foundation (BF) for FY26 Barr Foundation Grant Program. Grant Period 09/19/25-09/21/26

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$180,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of Public Health (DPH) for FY26 CSHS, Comprehensive School Health Services Grant Program. Grant Period 07/01/25-06/30/26

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$720,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Commonwealth Corporation (CC) for FY26 CTI Round 10 Grant Program. Grant Period 09/08/25-08/31/27

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$300,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Executive Office of Education (EOE) for FY26 FC30LM Skills Capital Grant Program. Grant Period 07/01/25-06/30/26

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWELVE DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$740,712.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) for FY26 FC140 Title IIA Grant Program. Grant Period 08/25/25-09/30/27 CFDA: 84.367A

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of ONE MILLION SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY TWO DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$1,074,992.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) for FY26 FC180 Title III Grant Program. Grant Period 08/25/25-09/30/27 CFDA: 84.365A

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$538,887.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of

Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) for FY26 FC309 Title IVA Grant Program. This funding will be used for student support and academic enrichment grants. Grant Period 08/25/25-09/30/27 CFDA: 84.424A

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of THREE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$320,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) for FY26 FC325 TAG Grant Program. Grant Period 09/03/25-06/30/26 CFDA: 84.010A

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of THREE HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND NINETY SEVEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$367,097.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn School Department by the Department of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE) for FY26 FC400 Perkins Grant Program. This funding will be used to assist school districts in improving secondary-level programs that meet the definition of career and technical educational for the 21st Century Act 115-224. Grant Period 09/22/25-06/30/26 CFDA: 84.048A

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

ORDERED that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City of Lynn, Public Library hereby accepts a gift from Mr. Philo Pappas in the amount of **THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (30,000.00)**. The money is intended to be used to purchase study pods and accessories (chairs, tables) for the library in memory of Sophia and Theodore Pappas. Further Ordered that the Comptroller is hereby authorized to take any and all necessary actions to effectuate the purpose of this gift.

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Ordered that His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an extension of a Community Development Block Grant Agreement with the Lynn Housing Authority and Neighborhood Development to promote Neighborhood Stabilization, Affordable Housing and Homebuyer Support for a period of in excess of three years. The original grant awards were previously approved by the Lynn City Council in Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022.

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Ordered that His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Grant Scope of Work between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to promote recycling efforts in the City of Lynn under the Sustainable Material Recovery Program.

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

9 YES 0 NO (Councilor LaPierre and Councilor McClain ABSENT).

Ordered that His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Revocable License for the Temporary Use of College Property with North Shore Community College to allow residents to park during snow emergencies for the winter of 2025-2026.

Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:

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REPORT ACCEPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Meaney made a motion to have the Law Department prepare plans for the abandonment of Clairmont Rd to be sent to the Planning Board and Council for a Public Hearing.

Motion made by Councilor Dr. Meaney and seconded by Councilor Field to grant.

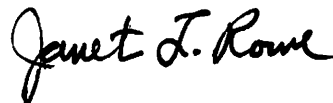
Motion carried.

Council President Walsh introduced the Ward Five Councilor-Elect Cardeliz Paez and the Ward Seven Councilor-Elect Jordan T. Avery.

Motion made by Councilor Net and seconded by Councilor Alinsug to adjourn.

Notice of this meeting was posted in the City Clerk's Office at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance.

A True Copy Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Janet J. Rowe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

CITY CLERK