CITY OF LYNN

City Council Meeting, January 13, 2026
Council President Constantino "Coco" Alinsug

Eleven Councilors Present
Moment of Silence. Council President Alinsug asked that the Family of Sandy Cho Bing be remembered. Councilor Field asked that the Families of Don Sullivan, John Coleman Walsh, Christine McCarriston, Peter Loomas, Vincent Lozzi and Neil Wilson Dunlop be remembered. Councilor McClain asked that the Family of Floyd Thompson, a veteran in the City of Lynn, be remembered.
Pledge of Allegiance

Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor LaPierre to accept the Meeting Minutes of December 16, 2025.
Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS - FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR:
Dear Councilors:
I am hereby appointing the following members effective immediately:

To the Board of Public Health:
Andreina Granado, 49 Munroe Street. Term expires on February 2, 2028
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Granado***	***MEANEY***	***Graando***
FIELD	***Granado***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Granado***
HOGAN	***Granado***	***NET***	***Granado***
LAPIERRRE	***Graando***	***PAEZ***	***Granado***
MATUL	***Granado***	***ALINSUG***	***Granado***
MCCLAIN	***Granado***		

To the Redevelopment Authority Board:
Ted Smith, 32 Scranton Way. Term expires January 13, 2027
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Smith***	***MEANEY***	***Smith***
FIELD	***Smith***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Smith***
HOGAN	***Smith***	***NET***	***Smith***
LAPIERRRE	***Smith***	***PAEZ***	***Smith***
MATUL	***Smith***	***ALINSUG***	***Smith***
MCCLAIN	***Smith***		

Frederick Hogan, 17 LaGrange Terrace. Term expires January 13, 2028
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Hogan***	***MEANEY***	***Hogan***
FIELD	***Hogan***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Hogan***
HOGAN	***PRESENT***	***NET***	***Hogan***
LAPIERRRE	***Hogan***	***PAEZ***	***Hogan***
MATUL	***Hogan***	***ALINSUG***	***Hogan***
MCCLAIN	***Hogan***		

Magnolia Contreras, 39 Joel Circle. Term expires January 13, 2030
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Contreras***	***MEANEY***	***Contreras***
FIELD	***Contreras***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Contreras***
HOGAN	***Contreras***	***NET***	***Contreras***
LAPIERRRE	***Contreras***	***PAEZ***	***Contreras***
MATUL	***Contreras***	***ALINSUG***	***Contreras***
MCCLAIN	***Contreras***		

Charles Gaeta, 132 Range Heights Rd. Term expires January 13, 2031
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Gaeta***	***MEANEY***	***Gaeta***
FIELD	***Gaeta***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Gaeta***
HOGAN	***Gaeta***	***NET***	***Gaeta***
LAPIERRRE	***Gaeta***	***PAEZ***	***Gaeta***
MATUL	***Gaeta***	***ALINSUG***	***Gaeta***
MCCLAIN	***Gaeta***		

To the EDIC Board:
Fredrick Hogan, 17 LaGrange Terrace. Term expires June 30, 2028
Council President Alinsug asked for a Roll Call:

AVERY	***Hogan***	***MEANEY***	***Hogan***
FIELD	***Hogan***	***MEGIE-MADDREY***	***Hogan***
HOGAN	***PRESENT***	***NET***	***Hogan***
LAPIERRRE	***Hogan***	***PAEZ***	***Hogan***
MATUL	***Hogan***	***ALINSUG***	***Hogan***
MCCLAIN	***Hogan***		

Sincerely, Mayor Jared C. Nicholson

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Report of the Veterans, Military Affairs, and Military Families Committee recommending the following to be accepted:

1. **Discussion re: Introduction and Update from Amy Moran Lowe, Director of Grants and Programs and Stacey Landry both at the Essex County Community Foundation (ECCF). Discussion re: Veterans Support and Grants.**
2. **Update from Michael Sweeney, Veterans Director**
3. **OTHER BUSINESS**

REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the January 13, 2026 Council Appointment Sub-Committee recommending the following to be accepted:
INTERVIEWS:
Lynn Human Rights Commission
Stanley Wortring, Lynn
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the January 13, 2026 Licensing Committee recommending the following to be accepted:
TAXI OPERATOR – NEW
Castro, Yunior – 20 Union St. - **Granted**
Frias, Anthony – 223 Curwin Cir- **Tabled**
La Fortune- 167 Kennedy Dr. Malden - **Granted**
AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE – NEW OWNER
135 Pleasant St.,(formerly Pudgy's Auto) now Vin's Auto/Patriot Depot, Vincent R. Conti, Owner- **Granted**
CLASS II AUTO DEALER/AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE-RENEWAL
87A Rear Bennett St., Bennett Street Auto Sales- **Granted**
75 Boston St., Boston Street Auto Sales- **Granted**
8 Burrus Sq., Meadow Auto Sales- **DENIED**
100 Central St., Action Auto Sales Inc. - **Granted**
195 Chestnut St., Auto Hub- **Granted**
350 Chestnut St., Duran Auto Repair Inc. - **Granted**
475 Lynnway, LAS Inc. - **Granted**
921 Western Ave., Point Auto Sales- **Granted**

SIGN LICENSE RENEWAL
152 Boston Street, Advance Auto Parts- **Granted**
66 Market Square, Camilla's Café - **Granted**
OLD GOLD LICENSE-RENEWAL
4 Freeman Square, Sherman Loan- **Granted**
193 Union Street, Linken Jewelry- **Granted**
PAWN LICENSE-RENEWAL
4 Freeman Square, Sherman Loan- **Granted**
193 Union Street, Linken Jewelry- **Granted**
SECOND – HAND LICENSE-RENEWAL
19 Collins Street, Oluwashina - **Granted**
4 Freeman Square, Sherman Loan- **Granted**
732R Lynnway, General Needs Center- **Granted**
32 Market Square, The Pawn Shop at Market Square- **Granted**
39 Savory Street, Quality Quest - **Granted**
OTHER BUSINESS
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the January 13, 2026 Ways and Means Committee recommending the following to be accepted:

Transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($150,000.00)

From the Account of	0113252-578000	Reserve-Exp	$150,000.00
To the Account of	0142552-524021	DPW-Fire Exp	$100,000.00
To the Account of	0142552-524023	DPW-Police Exp	$50,000.00

To fund repairs for Fire and Police vehicles.
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Transfer the sum of EIGHTY TWO THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS AND FIFTY THREE CENTS ($82,204.53)

From the Account of	0119552-521001	Cap Proj-Exp	$56,304.60
From the Account of	0119552-521002	Cap Proj-Exp	$25,899.93
To the Account of	0119552-578017	Cap Proj-Bill of PY	$82,204.53

To fund invoice received after clean up warrant done and FY end close process began for 37 Friend Street Gas and Electric invoices.
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Transfer the sum of SIXTY TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY NINE DOLLARS AND THIRTY ONE CENTS ($62,759.31)

From the Account of	0113252-596001	Wage Stab-Exp	$62,759.31
To the Account of	0113351-511000	CFO-PR	$2,514.19
To the Account of	0113451-511000	Comp-PR	$2,477.34
To the Account of	0114651-511000	Treas/Coll-PR	$2,635.61
To the Account of	0116151-511000	City Clerk-PR	$1,859.89
To the Account of	0115551-511000	IT-PR	$5,261.63
To the Account of	0149051-511000	Parking-PR	$2,210.87
To the Account of	0151051-511000	Health-PR	$2,873.51
To the Account of	0142151-511000	DPW-PR	$6,629.43
To the Account of	0121051-511000	Police-PR	$7,929.91
To the Account of	0122051-511000	Fire-PR	$7,882.00
To the Account of	0119451-511000	Cap Proj-PR	$6,886.57
To the Account of	0124051-511000	ISD-PR	$13,598.36

To fund recently ratified collective bargaining agreement with Local 261.
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of THREE HUNDRED TWENTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THREE DOLLARS AND EIGHTY SIX CENTS ($327,223.86) as allotted to the City of Lynn Police Department by the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security for the CY26 Senator Charles E. Shannon, Jr. Community Safety Initiative Grant, also known as Shannan CSI. Grant Period is 01/13/26-12/31/26

Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($50,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Police Department by the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security (EPS) to assist the City in combatting gun violence within the City of Lynn. This is an FY26 Earmark designated by our local delegation.
Grant Period is 12/16/2025 – 06/30/2026
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($40,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Veterans Department by the Department of Veterans Services (DVS) to assist the City in recognizing veterans with various plaques and statues. within the City of Lynn. This is an FY26 Earmark designated by our local delegation.
Grant Period is 12/16/2025 – 06/30/2026
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Ordered that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City of Lynn, Senior Center hereby accepts a gift from Mr. Wilfred Perry on behalf of Willie Blake in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($500.00). The money is intended to be used to support the Lynn Senior Center. Further Ordered that the Comptroller is hereby authorized to take any and all necessary actions to effectuate the purpose of this gift.
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Ordered that His Honor the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Project Funding Agreement with the Massachusetts School Building Association for repairs and improvements to the Edward A. Sisson Elementary School, 58 Conomo Avenue, Lynn, Massachusetts.
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to Grant.
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:
11 YES 0 NO
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the January 13, 2026 Committee on Ordinance recommending the following to be accepted:

Set Down a Public Hearing for an Ordinance amending the Ordinance prohibiting the sale of Drug Paraphernalia in the City of Lynn.
Motion made by Councilor LaPierre and seconded by Councilor Field to set down for Public Hearing.
Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the January 13, 2025 Election Sub-Committee Committee recommending the following to be accepted:

Discussion to set down a Public Hearing for a proposed Ordinance regulating political signs for municipal elections on private property in the City of Lynn.
Motion made by Councilor LaPierre and seconded by Councilor Field to set down for Public Hearing.
Motion carried. (**See NEW BUSINESS)
REPORT ACCEPTED.

NEW BUSINESS:
Motion made by Councilor Avery and seconded by Councilor LaPierre to amend the motion in the Election Sub-Committee on a Public Hearing for a proposed Ordinance regulating political signs for municipal elections on private property in the City of Lynn and send the Ordinance back to Law Dept to review.
Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
11 YES 0 NO

Motion made by Councilor Net and seconded by Councilor McClain 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:
Janet L. Rowe
CITY CLERK