CITY OF LYNN

City Council Meeting, February 24, 2026
Council President Constantino "Coco" Alinsug

10 Councilors Present (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent)
Moment of Silence. Councilor Avery asked that the Family of Frank Rooney be remembered. Councilor LaPierre asked that the Family of Priscilla McDonald be remembered.
Pledge of Allegiance
Motion made by Councilor Field and seconded by Councilor Avery to accept the Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2026.
Motion carried.

Council President Alinsug announced that Councilor Megie-Maddrey was not at the meeting as she was on a scheduled vacation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:
Petition of Dismas Misael DeLeon and Ronald DeLeon 48 River Street, to allow the transfer of a Class II Dealer License from Marion St Auto Sales to 19 Camden Street
The following appeared in Favor:
Dismas Misael DeLeon, Owner
No on appeared in Opposition.
Public Hearing Closed.
Motion made by Councilor Avery and seconded by Councilor LaPierre to Grant the prayer of the Petitioner with the following stipulations:
1. NO dismantling of cars
2. NO working on car outside of building
3. NO tires or car parts around building
4. NO working on cars on adjacent property
5. NO leasing of bays
6. NOT open on Sundays
Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Petition of Good Chemistry of MA located at 696 Western Ave for a Sign Permit.
No one appeared in Favor.

No one appeared in Opposition.
Public Hearing Closed
Motion made by Councilor Hogan and seconded by Councilor LaPierre to Grant the prayer of the Petitioner.
Motion carried by the following yea and nay vote:
9 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent, Councilor Jordan absent at vote).

Petition of Marc Newman, of Brixmor SPE 2, LLC for a Sign Permit at 1-51 State Street
The following appeared in Favor:
Attorney Lisa McGloin
Calvin Anderson, Lynn
No one appeared in Opposition
Motion made by Councilor Paez and seconded by Councilor Hogan to Grant the prayer of the Petitioner.
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

PUBLIC HEARINGS TO BE SET DOWN:
Petition of Fiesta Shows for Carnivals on the following dates for the Lynn Fireworks Fund:
April 2-22, June 8-14, July 30-August 9, and Sept 8-13, 2026. Hours of Operation will on weekdays 5pm to 10:30 pm and Sat and Sunday 1pm – 10:30pm.
Motion made by Councilor Avery and seconded by Councilor Field to set down for a Public Hearing.

COMMITTIE REPORTS:
Report of the February 24, 20256 Committee on Ways and Means recommending the following to be accepted:
TRANSFERS: Laid over from February 10, 2026 Meeting:
$45,756.00 to Election Payroll
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:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

$38,585.00 to Police Expense
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$34,400.00 to Care of Dogs
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10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
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10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

$15,396.99 to DPW
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10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Transfer the sum of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($125,714.05)
From the Account of 0113252-578000 Reserve-Exp $125,714.05
To the Account of 0111151-519008 Council-PBB PR $753.81
To the Account of 0113351-519007 CFO-SBB PR $5,538.01
To the Account of 0113451-519007 Compt-SBB PR $7,373.69
To the Account of 0113451-519008 Compt-PBB PR $2,619.51

To the Account of 0113451-511000 Compt-Salary PR $5,800.00
To the Account of 0113851-519007 Purchasing-SBB PR $2,629.34
To the Account of 0112251-519007 Mayor-SBB PR $1,981.00
To the Account of 0112251-514200 Mayor-Senior Abate PR $1,407.06
To the Account of 0114151-519007 Assessor-SBB PR $564.21
To the Account of 0114151-519008 Assessor-PBB PR $2,083.19
To the Account of 0114651-519007 Treas/Coll-SBB PR $4,168.25
To the Account of 0114651-519008 Treas/Coll-PBB PR $1,469.01
To the Account of 0115151-519007 Law-SBB PR $6,565.98
To the Account of 0115151-519008 Law-PBB PR $3,402.71
To the Account of 0115251-519007 Pers-SBB PR $2,169.07
To the Account of 0115251-519008 Pers-PBB PR $511.72
To the Account of 0115551-519007 IT-SBB PR $6,196.37
To the Account of 0115551-519008 IT-PBB PR $4,827.73
To the Account of 0116151-519007 City Clerk-SBB PR $7,153.77
To the Account of 0116151-519008 City Clerk-PBB PR $1,293.10
To the Account of 0116151-519015 City Clerk-Othr Stip PR $250.00
To the Account of 0119451-519007 Cap Proj-SBB PR $2,696.48
To the Account of 0119451-519008 Cap Proj-PBB PR $4,479.36
To the Account of 0124051-519007 ISD-SBB PR $3,406.50
To the Account of 0124051-519008 ISD-PBB PR $2,348.14
To the Account of 0124151-519007 ISD-SBB PR $10,949.99
To the Account of 0124151-519008 ISD-PBB PR $5,568.41
To the Account of 0142151-519007 DPW-SBB PR $7,375.10
To the Account of 0142151-519008 DPW-PBB PR $5,276.59
To the Account of 0149051-519007 Parking-SBB PR $6,333.79
To the Account of 0149051-519008 Parking-PBB PR $3,735.44
To the Account of 0151051-519007 Health-SBB PR $3,364.73
To the Account of 0151051-519008 Health-PBB PR $953.18
To the Account of 0167051-519008 GAR-PBB PR $448.52
To fund Sick Buy Back and Personal Buy Back for membership of all members of bargaining units and contracts that provide the same benefit.

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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:

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).

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

10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($250,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Office of Economic & Community Development by The Opioid Working Group for 2026 (FY27) Summer Jobs. Grant Period 06/01/2026 – 09/30/2026
Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:
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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($75,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Department of Community Development by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) to pay for restorations of the cottage that is located at High Rock Park. Grant Period is 03/01/26-06/30/26
Councilor Net attached the following Emergency Preamble:
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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FIFTY THOUSAND THIRTY TWO DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($50,032.64) 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 2 of 4. Grant Period is 11/18/25-06/30/26
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:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

Certify as an "Available Fund" the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($15,000.00) as allotted to the City of Lynn Planning Department by the Mass Cultural Council (MCC) for the FY25 Lynn Cultural Council Annual Grant Award.
Grant Period is 02/12/26 to 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:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).

ORDERED that pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53A, the City of Lynn, Lynn Public Library hereby accepts a gift from PJM Library, Inc. in the amount of SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS ($60,000.00). The principal purpose of this non-profit corporation shall be to promote the services provided by the Lynn Public Library to the Community, to help improve library facilities and resources, and raise funds for these purposes through public support. 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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Emergency Preamble was adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey Absent).
Emergency Order was then adopted by the following yea and nay vote:
10 YES 0 NO (Councilor Megie-Maddrey absent).
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the February 24, 2026 Committee on Licensing recommending the following to be accepted:

TAXI OPERATOR - NEW
Chocoj Guerra, Ramon - 10 Dowfield Ter. - **TABLED**
Encarnacion River, Luis - 228 Chatham St. - **Granted**
LIVERY OPERATOR - NEW (Tabled from February 10, 2026)
Mateo, Geidy - 17 W Green St. - **DENIED**
SIGN LICENSE - RENEWAL
76 Lewis Street, Sofias Market (New Owner) - **Granted**
778 Summer Street, Casa Metapan Restaurant- **Granted**
569 Western Avenue, Esperanza Church- **Granted**
SECOND – HAND LICENSE-RENEWAL
180 Commercial St, Rafelitos Tire and Auto Service- **Granted**
53 Market St., Black Friday Year Round- **Granted**
AUTO REPAIR/AUTO BODY/FLAMMABLE-RENEWAL
35 Alley St., Global Auto Body and Repair Inc. - **Granted**
129 Commercial St., Auto Work Collision Center LLC- **Granted**
AUTO REPAIR/FLAMMABLE-RENEWAL
250 Commercial St., City of Lynn, Department of Public Works- **Granted**
10 Heath's Ct., Unit 6, ADI Auto- **Granted**
FLAMMABLE LICENSE – RENEWAL
255 Blossom St., National Grid Lynn LNG Plant- **Granted**
668 Chestnut St., Cumberland Farms- **Granted**
84-86 Lynnway, Lynn Yacht Club- **Granted**
580 Lynnway, Solomon Metals Corp. - **Granted**
780 Lynnway, Wal Mart Store #02139 - **Granted**
OTHER BUSINESS
REPORT ACCEPTED

Report of the February 24, 2026 Committee on Ordinance recommending the following to be accepted:

Discussion and/or to Set Down for Public Hearings:

Proposed Ordinance amending the Ordinance relative to Dogs and other Animals in the City of Lynn.- **Approved to Set Down for a Public Hearing.**

Proposed Ordinance amending the Ordinance regulating Special Event Permits in the City of Lynn. – **Set Down for Public Hearing.**
REPORT ACCEPTED

Report of the February 24, 2026 Committee on Personnel recommending the following to be accepted:

INTERVIEW FOR CITY CLERK / CHIEF OF ELECTION POSITION:
James P. Lamanna, 22 Breed Street, Lynn, MA 01902
Motion made by Hogan and seconded by Councilor Field to refer Attorney James P. Lamanna for the position of City Clerk / Chief of Election to the full Council for a vote.
Motion carried.
2. OTHER BUSINESS
REPORT ACCEPTED.

Report of the February 24, 2025 Committee on Public Works recommending the following to be accepted:

1. Discussion with DPW Commissioner Andrew Hall
   re: Detailed After Storms Update
   (Meeting scheduled on February 10, 2026 regarding recent Storm on January 26, 2026 was canceled due to snow storm),
2. Other Business

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion re: Lynn Water and Sewer Commission City Council Appointments/Public Hearing on Appeal of Suspensions.

Council President Alinsug:

On January 27, 2026, with a vote of 9-2, the Lynn City Council voted to send Preliminary Notices of Removal from the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission pursuant to Section 3-7(d) and Section 6-6 of the Lynn City Charter to Richard Colucci and Vincent Lozzi, Jr. pursuant to the Lynn City Charter. Mr. Colucci and Mr. Lozzi had

ten business days to request a hearing before the Lynn City Council to contest the allegations contained in the Preliminary Notice of Removal. Both Mr. Colucci and Mr. Lozzi were served in hand by members of the Lynn Police Department on February 4, 2026. Mr. Colucci and Mr. Lozzi provided written responses on February 17, 2026.

I would ask Madame Clerk Janet Rowe to read Mr. Colucci's letter into the record. Clerk Rowe read the letter into the record (letter attached).

Council President Alinsug:
I would like to take this opportunity to respond to some of the allegations contained in Mr. Colucci's February 17, 2026 letter in which he declines to exercise his right to timely appeal the Preliminary Notice of Removal. Mr. Colucci's claim that I, as Council President, "went about seeking his removal and expulsion from the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission without due process" is completely false and inaccurate.

Mr. Colucci received a Preliminary Notice of Removal as a member of the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission as provided for by the terms of the Lynn City Charter.

Mr. Colucci possessed a statutory right to request a full hearing before the Lynn City Council to present evidence, cross examine witnesses and provide his own testimony while being represented by legal counsel.

The City Council in turn would be able to present evidence, call witnesses, submit documentary evidence which likely would have included subpoenaed cell phone records and text messages to various City officials and Commission members and representatives from Mr. Colucci.

Following a full and fair public hearing where both sides are permitted to present evidence and oral testimony of relevant witnesses, the Lynn City Council, sitting as a factfinder, would render an opinion as to whether the evidence presented warranted the removal of Mr. Colucci from his position as a member of the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission.

On February 17, 2026, Mr. Colucci submitted a letter to the City Council where he chose to waive his legally guaranteed right to a hearing. I have been informed today that Mr. Colucci has engaged an attorney who has requested the City Council expand the time in which he may request a hearing on the Preliminary Notice of Removal. I have spoken with the City Solicitor's Office and have been informed that the City Charter provides no mechanism for the Council to expand the statutorily permitted time for Mr. Colucci to request a hearing before the City Council. Section 3-7 (d)(3) states: "if, at the, expiration of ten days following the adoption of the said resolution the affected officer has not requested a public hearing concerning the proposed removal, the preliminary resolution shall be deemed to be final." Mr. Colucci's Preliminary Notice of Removal thus became final as of 8:00 p.m. February 17, 2026.

Mr. Colucci's timely February 17, 2026 letter indicated that he was moving on from this chapter and turning the page. As President of the Lynn City Council, I will say that I have too moved on from this chapter and have turned the page. I wish to thank Mr. Colucci for his many years of service to the City of Lynn and wish him well in the future. I will now entertain a Motion to accept Mr. Colucci's February 17, 2026 letter deciding to appeal his Preliminary Notice of Removal into the files of the Lynn City Council.

Motion made by Councilor Hogan and seconded by Councilor McClain to accept Mr. Colucci's February 17, 2026 Letter where he declines to exercise his right to request a Public Hearing as provided for in Section 3-7(D) of the Lynn City Charter.

I would at this time also entertain a Motion to post the vacancy for the position on the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission.

Motion made by Councilor Hogan and seconded by Councilor Avery to post the vacancy for the City Council Appointment to the Lynn Water and Sewer Commission.

Council President Alinsug:

The City did receive a timely request for a Public Hearing from Mr. Vincent Lozzi, Jr. on February 24, 2026 as provided by Section 3-7(d) and Section 6-6 of the Lynn City Council.

This afternoon, the City received a second correspondence from Mr. Lozzi. Madame Clerk Janet Rowe I would ask that this correspondence be read into the record.
City Clerk read the letter into the records (letter attached).

Council President Alinsug:
Pursuant to Section 3-7(d), Mr. Lozzi having submitted a timely appeal of the Preliminary Notice of Removal is entitled to a full evidentiary hearing before the Lynn City Council. This afternoon's letter from Mr. Lozzi confirms that Mr. Lozzi only will be member of the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission for a total of four more meetings prior to his expiration of his term. Mr. Lozzi's correspondence indicated that he has no intention of seeking or accepting if offered a reappointment to the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission. Having spoken with the City Solicitor's Office, it is quite possible that this matter could remain in active litigations depending upon the outcome of the public hearing on the Preliminary Notice of Removal. Should that be the case, the Lynn City Council could be enjoined from having a full complement of its appointees to the Commission for the remainder of Mr. Lozzi's term. In light of Mr. Lozzi's acknowledgement that his term will expire on June 30, 2026 and his statement that he

will not seek to be reinstated to the Lynn Water & Sewer Commission beyond his present term, I would entertain a Motion to rescind the Notice of the Preliminary Notice of Removal issued to Mr. Lozzi. Council President Alinsug called upon Councilor Hogan:

In light of Mr. Lozzi's letter dated February 24, 2026 where he acknowledges his appointment ends of June 30, 2026, and has no intention to seek or accept a reappointment to the Lynn Water and Sewer Commission, I hereby make a motion to rescind Mr. Lozzi's Preliminary Notice of Removal. Seconded by Councilor Avery.

Plaque Presentation-Janet L. Rowe, City Clerk and Chief of Elections

Motion made by Councilor Net and seconded by Councilor Hogan 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:

James P. Lawson

CITY CLERK