

City of Rochester, NH Preamble for March 2, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting

Good Evening, as Chairperson of the City Council, I am declaring that an emergency exists and I am invoking the provisions of RSA 91-A:2, III (b). Federal, state, and local officials have determined that gatherings of 10 or more people pose a substantial risk to our community in its continuing efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19. In concurring with their determination, I also find that this meeting is imperative to the continued operation of City government and services, which are vital to public safety and confidence during this emergency. As such, this meeting will be conducted without a quorum of this body physically present in the same location.

- a.) **Public Input:** Due to the ongoing situation with COVID-19, the City of Rochester will be taking extra steps to allow for public input, while still ensuring participant safety and social distancing. In lieu of attending the meeting, those wishing to share comments, when permitted, with the City Council (Public Hearing and/or Workshop settings) are encouraged to do so by the following methods:
 - **Mail:** City Clerk/Public Input, 31 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH 03867 (*must be received at least three full days prior to the anticipated meeting date*)
 - **email** PublicInput@rochesternh.net (must be received no later than 4:00 pm of meeting date)
 - **Voicemail** 603-330-7107 (must be received no later than 12:00 pm on said meeting date in order to be transcribed)

Please include with your correspondence the intended meeting date for which you are submitting. All correspondence will be included with the corresponding meeting packet (Addendum).

In addition to the above listed public access information, the City Council will be allowing the public to enter Council Chambers and speak in person during the Public Input portion of this meeting. In an effort to adhere to CDC guidelines: enter only at the front Wakefield Street entrance and exit on the side closest to the police department and adhere to 6-foot social distancing while inside. Hand sanitizer and facemasks will be available at the Wakefield Street entrance. Participants will be admitted into Council Chambers one at a time to speak, and will exit directly thereafter. Please note; the seating in Council Chambers will not be available for the public during meetings.

At this time, I also welcome members of the public accessing this meeting by phone. The public can call-in to the below number using the conference code. This meeting will be set to allow the public to "listen-in" only, and there will be no public comment taken via conference line during the meeting.

Phone number: 857-444-0744 Conference code: 843095

b.) **Roll Call:** Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by Roll Call vote.

Let's start the meeting by taking a Roll Call attendance. When each member states their name (and/or ward), also please state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law. (Additionally, Council members are required to state their name and ward each time they wish to speak.)

Regular City Council Meeting
March 2, 2021
Council Chambers
31 Wakefield Street
and remotely via Microsoft Teams
6:30 PM

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Opening Prayer
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Acceptance of Minutes
 - 5.1 Regular City Council Meeting: February 2, 2021 consideration for approval
 - 5.2 City Council Special Meeting: February 16, 2021 consideration for approval
- **6.** Communications from the City Manager
 - 6.1 City Manager's Report
- 7. Communications from the Mayor
 - 8. Presentation of Petitions and Council Correspondence
- 9. Nominations, Appointments, Resignations, and Elections
 - 9.1 Resignation: Robert (Bob) Brown, Recreation & Arena Commission consideration for approval

10. Reports of Committees

10.1 Codes and Ordinances

- 10.1.1 Committee Recommendation: to accept the amendments to Chapter 80 (Outdoor Dining) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff consideration for approval
- 10.1.2 Committee Recommendation: to accept the amendments to Chapter 80 (Food & Food Service) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff consideration for approval
- 10.1.3 Committee Recommendation: to accept the amendments to Chapter 11 (Adult-Oriented Establishments) of the City Ordinances as presented by City staff consideration for approval
- 10.2 Community Development Committee
 - 10.2.1 Resolution Adopting a FY 2022 Rochester CDBG "Action Plan For The City Of Rochester, N.H." and Approving And Appropriating the FY 2022 Community Development Budget For The City Of Rochester first reading and refer to Public Hearing on March 16, 2021
- **10.3** Fidelity Committee
- 10.4 Finance Committee
 - 10.4.1 Committee Recommendation: To increase the pay grade of the Human Resource Manager position from grade 14 to 15 consideration for approval
- 10.5 Planning Board
- **10.6** Public Safety
- 10.7 Public Works
- 11. Old Business

- 11.1 Amendments to Chapter 275 of the General Ordinances of the City of Rochester regarding Murals second reading and consideration for adoption
- 12. Consent Calendar
- 13. New Business
 - 13.1 Resolution Authorizing Approval to Submit a Notice of Intent to Obtain Coverage Under the Great Bay Total Nitrogen Permit *first reading and consideration for adoption*
 - 13.2 Resolution Deauthorizing \$3,650.45 from the Rochester Police Department Ballistic Vest Grant *first reading and consideration for adoption*
 - 13.3 Amendment to the Granite Ridge Development District (GRDD) Tax Increment Development Program & Financing Plan ("TIF Plan") Pursuant to RSA 162-K:9, IV first reading and refer to public hearing March 16, 2021
 - 13.4 Amendment to Chapter 275 of the General Ordinances of the City of Rochester Regarding the Location and Boundaries of Zoning Districts first reading and refer to public hearing March 16, 2021
 - 13.5 Discussion: Past Council practice relative to School budget (School Building Capital Reserve Fund)
- 14. Other
- 15. Non Public
 - 14.1 Non-Public Session Land, RSA 91-A:3, II (d)
 - 14.2 Non-Public Session Legal RSA 91-A:3, II (I)
- 16. Adjournment