

**City Councillor
Joseph A. DelGrosso
City Council Chamber
November 3, 2014**

Regular meeting of the Revere City Council was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

President Zambuto present

1. Salute to the Flag by the members of the Revere City Council and those in attendance.

2. Roll Call of Members: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto present.

3. Approval of the Journal of the meeting held on October 27, 2014.

The Journal of the meeting held on October 27, 2014 was declared approved as presented.

Public Hearings

14-230 4. Hearing called, as ordered, upon the establishment of the Minimum Residential Factor for Fiscal Year 2015.

Proponents

**Board of Assessors
Andrew Iovanna, Chairman
John Verrengia
Dana Brangiforte**

George Anzuoni, Director of Finance

Opponents

None

Hearing held.

Motion of Councillor Patch: That the City Council hereby adopts the minimum residential factor for the purpose of establishing the tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015.

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting "YES".

Motion presented by Councillor Reardon: That the City Council hereby accepts the provisions of Section 4 of the Acts of 1986 as amended by Chapter 126 of the Acts of 1988.

Motion to accept was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting “YES”.

Motion presented by Councillor Haas: That the City Council hereby approves of a cost of living adjustment for the statutory exemption forms 17D and 41C by 1.37%.

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting “YES”.

President Zambuto moved at this time that the Council move to take up late communications as it pertains to donating land for conservation purposes.

14-238 5. Comm. from Joseph A. Festa:

**Re: Donation of Land on Bates Street
Lots 45, 46, 47, 48 Bates Street**

I am writing this letter to officially propose a donation of land for conservation purposes. The land is located on Bates Street in Revere, MA, and was recently approved by the Revere Conservation Commission.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Guinasso: The City Council hereby accepts a donation of land for conservation purposes from Joseph A. Festa herein described as Lots 45, 46, 47, and 48 Bates Street, Revere, MA.

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting “YES”.

14-239 6. Communication from Joseph A. Festa, Jr.

I am writing this letter to officially propose a donation of land for conservation purposes. The land is located on Douglas Street in Revere, MA, and was recently approved by the Revere Conservation Commission. I respectfully request to be on the agenda at the next Revere City Council Meeting.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Guinasso: That the City Council hereby accepts a donation of land for conservation purposes from Joseph A. Festa, Jr. and John V. Festa herein described as Lots 206, 207, 208, and 209 Douglas Street, Revere, MA.

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting “YES”.

14-140 7. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Final Appropriations – Fiscal Year 2015

The City has agreed to participate in the Taxpayer Assistance Project (TAP) with the Department of Revenue (DOR), through George Anzuoni, Director of Finance. This program provides the necessary resources for the earlier setting of a tax rate for the fiscal year. This is beneficial to the City and the DOR with regards to scheduling and fiscal relations. The departments involved with the setting of the FY 15' tax rate have been meeting amongst themselves along with representatives from the DOR over the past few months.

We have now reached the point where we are asking for the approval of the minimal residential factor (MRF) and City Council acceptance of the LA-5 options/certification State forms. In order to proceed, these final appropriations are required and need to be voted by your honorable body.

First, you may recall that during the FY 15' budget deliberations, I had stated that the Regional Emergency Communications Center (RECC), introduced several years ago under my predecessor Tom Ambrosino, would come on line during this fiscal year. Further, that this budget (FY 15') had no provision in it for this new RECC largely because a RECC budget had not been finalized, and no decision had been made regarding a start date. As you know, this plan started several years ago under my predecessor Tom Ambrosino. The plan was to transition our present call takers and dispatchers to this new separate entity, along with the newly hired employees, and go into full operations in January 2015. Now, the expected start date is February 1, 2015. We now know that the additional appropriation required is \$270,000, and should be added into the Regional Emergency Communication Center Operations account.

Also, our Management Information Director, Glen De Rosa has notified me that because of circumstances beyond his control (see attached), and the implementation and development of our new 40U program for the Inspectional Services Department, I am requesting a total appropriation of \$117,526 to be approved and included in the MIS Computer Operations fund.

Lastly, the city has settled Workers Compensation claims for very reasonable sums to avoid future indemnity, medical and legal fees. These settlements have reduced the exposure to the City that could have resulted in hundreds of thousands of dollars in additional claims. The amount to be appropriated to settle these claims is \$115,000 and it is to be added to our Worker's Compensation Account.

In closing, I urge the City Council to approve the Minimal Residential Factor and these appropriations at Monday night's meeting in order for the City to be in compliance with the TAP. The City is on target to be a month earlier this year than last year. I am most delighted to report that there is no further utilization of the Free Cash or Stabilization Funds necessary to accomplish these goals.

Mayor Rizzo addressed the Council at this time.

Motion presented by the City Council: That the City Council hereby approves the raise and appropriation of the Fiscal Year 2015 budget as follows:

- \$270,000.00 **Regional Emergency Communication Center Operations Account**
- \$117,526.00 **MIS Computer Operations Fund**
- \$115,000.00 **Worker's Compensation Account**
- \$502,526.00 **Total**

Motion was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Arrigo, Giannino, Guinasso, Haas, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Penta, Powers, Reardon, and Zambuto voting "YES".

14-240 8. Comm. from Heather Siegel DeMuro

I would like to appear before the next council meeting to discuss the disruption of peace and quiet on Winthrop Parkway due to the constant truck convoys, Mon. to Fri. due to the Winthrop Beach project.

Ordered received and filed.

Motions

14-237 9. Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Novoselsky and Morabito: That the Mayor request DCR to install a new sidewalk on Ocean Avenue between 376 Ocean Avenue and Beach Street. This request is being made due to injuries to local pedestrians. Copies of the motion shall be forwarded to the State Delegation.

Ordered that several lates be admitted for consideration.

14-243 10. Ordered on a Motion of Councillors Arrigo and Reardon: That the Public Works Subcommittee be charged with preparing an agenda for the previously proposed "Water and Sewer Summit", said agenda to include:

- 1. A proposed date and time for the Summit;**
- 2. The determination of a list of questions to be submitted, in advance of the proposed Summit, to the Water and Sewer Department, the Superintendent of Public works, the City Planner, and CDM Smith and any other contractors involved with the implementation of water and sewer remediation with respect to the City's consent agreement with the EPA; and**
- 3. Any and all other issues necessary to successfully convene the proposed summit.**

The purpose of the submission of questions to the aforesaid parties is to extract thoughtful and accurate answers from the persons and entities

responsible for the remediation program and to lend meaningful purpose to the Summit.

The Public Works Subcommittee shall report to the City Council its findings and recommendation for a vote as to the agenda.

14-241 11. Comm. from the Mayor:

I am writing to inform you that pursuant to MGL, c 166, § 32 and Revere Revised Ordinance Section 2.40.060 that the Council approve the appointment of Mr. Leonard Pagliaro as Electrical Inspector. In accordance with the Ordinance, this is a four year appointment that is coterminous with the Mayor.

Ordered referred to the Appointments Sub-Committee.

14-241 12. Comm. from the Mayor:

Pursuant to the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere, Title 2, Chapter 2.06, Section 2.06.060 (B), I am writing to request a waiver of the residency rule for the Electrical Inspector's Position.

The position will be filled by Leonard Pagliaro who resides at 3 Dido Drive, Swampscott, Ma. Mr. Pagliaro will be replacing Electrical Inspector Michael Conley. As you may know, Mr. Pagliaro has been doing many inspections for the City at no cost for many years. He has also been very willing to help whenever called upon.

Ordered referred to the Appointments Sub-Committee.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council now stands adjourned to meet on Monday, November 17, 2014.

Ordered adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Attest:

City Clerk