

CITY OF SALEM
JUNE 11, 2020
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

A Regular Meeting of the City Council is being held remotely on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. for the purpose of transacting any and all business. Notice of this meeting was posted on June 9, 2020 at 9:42 A.M. This meeting is being taped and is live on S.A.T.V.

All Councillors were present.

Council President McCarthy presided.

Councillor Turiel moved to dispense with the reading of the record of the previous meeting. It was so voted.

President McCarthy requested that everyone please rise to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

1. Steve Kapantais, 23 Wisteria St., Crosswalk Traffic Ordinance

#293 – NATIONAL GRID TO INSTALL CONDUIT ON CROSS STREET

A hearing was held on the order for National Grid to install a conduit on Cross St.

Appearing in favor was Sabitah Mahbier-Sheehy – Representative for National Grid, 44 River St. Beverly. This is to provide service for a dwelling on Cross St. No One appeared opposed.

Councillor Madore moved the hearing be closed. It was so voted.

Councillor Madore moved this location by granted by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

#294 – NATIONAL GRID TO INSTALL A CONDUIT ON RIVERWAY ROAD

A hearing was held on an order from National Grid to install a conduit on Riverway Rd.

Appearing in favor was Sabitah Mahbier-Sheehy – Representative for National Grid, 44 River St. Beverly. This is to provide service to #7 Riverway Road.

Also appearing in favor was Jared Rollins the homeowner and contractor for this property.

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Councillor Dibble requested that the homeowner/contractor replace sidewalks/saw cuts at the joints.

Jared Rollins stated he would adhere to that.

No One appeared opposed.

Councillor Dibble moved the hearing be closed. It was so voted.

Councillor Dibble moved this location be granted by a roll call vote. Eleven Councillor voting 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniowski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

#295 – COMCAST TO INSTALL CONDUIT AT 65 WASHINGTON STREET

A hearing was held on an order from Comcast to install a conduit for 65 Washington St.

Appearing in favor was Dave Flewelling, representative from Comcast located in Woburn. He stated the conduit will be placed from an existing vault on Church Street to provide Service to 65 Washington Street.

Councillor Madore asked if curb to curb repaving was to be done and if any street closure was necessary.

Mr. Flewelling responded he will notify the appropriate personnel to adhere to the curb to curb repaving and that there would be no street closure.

Councillor Madore moved that the hearing be closed. It was so voted.

Councillor Madore moved that this location be granted with the above two issues as conditions by RCV. Eleven Councillor voting 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniowski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

(#272) – APPOINTMENT OF PATRICIA SMALL TO THE COUNCIL ON AGING

Held from the last meeting the Mayor's appointment of Patricia Small of 18 Dalton Parkway to the Council on Aging Term to expire December 7, 2020 was confirmed by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniowski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

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Councillor Madore asked for and received suspension of the rules to allow Ms. Small to speak.

#296 – APPOINTMENT OF ALEXANDER SANCHEZ TO THE SALEM YOUTH COMMISSION

The Mayor's appointment of Alexander Sanchez of 414 Essex St #7 to the Salem Youth Commission with a term to expire June 11, 2021 was held under the rules.

#297 – APPOINTMENT OF SAMUEL LIM TO THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Mayor's appointment of Samuel Lim a resident of Salem State to the Salem Cultural Council with a term to expire June 12, 2021 was received and filed.
 (Informational purposes only – per state law these do not require council confirmation)

#298 – REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE CULTURAL COUNCIL

The Mayor's re-appointment of the following to Salem Cultural Council with terms to expire as below: Informational purposes only – per state law these do not require council confirmation)

Name	Address	Term Expires
Matthew Cornell	18 Briggs St	June 23, 2023
Liz Polay-Wettengel	10 Everett Rd	June 23, 2023
John Dobroski	4 First St. #9306	June 27, 2023
Kristen Linnenbank	28 Williams St.	June 27, 2023
Courtney Porcella	12 Conners Rd	June 27, 2023

Liz Polay-Wettengel and Kristen Linnenbank did not want to be reappointed.

The Mayor's re-appointment of the following to Salem Cultural Council with terms to expire as below were received and placed on file. (Informational purposes only – per state law these do not require council confirmation)

Name	Address	Term Expires
Matthew Cornell	18 Briggs St	June 23, 2023
John Dobroski	4 First St. #9306	June 27, 2023
Courtney Porcella	12 Conners Rd	June 27, 2023

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#299 - DONATION OF \$1,000.00 TO THE VETERANS DONATION FUND

The following order by the Mayor was adopted by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniowski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

ORDERED: To accept the donation of One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) from Donald & Mary Creeden to be deposited into the Veteran Donation Fund 2367 (23671-4830) to be used for Veteran related expenses in accordance with the recommendation of Her Honor the Mayor.

#300 – MAYOR SUBMITTING FISCAL YEAR 2021 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Communication from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Administration and Finance co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

Mayor submitting the proposed FY2021 operating and capital budgets for the City of Salem and the Salem Public Schools.

June 11, 2020

Honorable Salem City Council
Salem City Hall
Salem, MA 01970

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Council:

Enclosed please find the proposed FY2021 operating and capital budgets for the City of Salem and the Salem Public Schools. As you can probably imagine, this is a very different budget and very different budget message than the ones that had been originally prepared for you for the coming fiscal year.

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our community, our Commonwealth, and our country to an unprecedented degree. The virus has taken lives, disrupted work and school, and forced all of us to adapt in order to ensure the health and safety of our community. Through it all, our dedicated City workforce has endeavored to continue providing the critical government services upon which our constituents rely every day.

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The COVID-19 pandemic, however, has also triggered an unforeseeable financial crisis. With economy activity coming to a near complete standstill since March, and the prospect of a slow and difficult economic recovery ahead, our typical municipal revenue streams have been significantly negatively impacted. Adding to this challenge is the truly unknown nature by which they will be impacted going forward. Income to the City from meal, room, and cannabis excises, parking fees, even permits and licenses, diminished immediately and it will be difficult to accurately forecast how and when they will fully recover. Similarly, we know that there will be a substantial reduction in aid from the state; however, given the timing of the pandemic, we still do not yet know what that level of reduction will be.

The enclosed budget attempts to forecast, to the best of our ability, what FY2021 revenues may be, but it is very probable that the administration will need to return to the City Council during the fiscal year itself to revise appropriations based on how actual revenues trend.

In order to present a balanced budget to you, we are proposing a series of measures, reflected in the enclosed budget package. There are, in all departments, spending adjustments reducing many expenditures over FY2020 levels, as well as employee furloughs and wage freezes; these are encapsulated in the budget itself. We are in discussions with municipal employees and expect to institute unpaid furloughs for many staff in FY2021, which will be reflected through a closure of City offices at 3:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the month of August. In addition, close to 30 employees have volunteered to take longer furloughs of between one and four weeks to generate additional savings for the City; I hope you will join me in thanking those public servants for their willingness to take this step and help us with closing our budget gap.

The proposed budget calls for allocating \$2,075,000 from our stabilization fund and applies an additional \$600,00 from free cash. It would be unwise to raid the entirety of our stabilization fund to balance this budget. Such an action would jeopardize our bond rating, which would increase our borrowing costs and could actually cost taxpayers more money than would be saved through draining the stabilization fund. Furthermore, it would place the City in financial danger should other unexpected crises develop in the coming months and years. Lastly, it would mean relying on a one-time revenue source that would not be sustainable, at a time when we are anticipating that the financial difficulties will be persistent into future fiscal years. By all measures, taking more out of our stabilization fund – while a tempting short-term fix – would not be financially wise at this time.

We are also seeking to expand our parking enforcement to Sunday afternoons. Not only will this generate an estimated \$270,000 to \$330,000 in new revenues, it will, more importantly, help our downtown businesses by turning over parking spaces more frequently. In our current system, someone can park at a downtown meter in front of a restaurant or store at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, pay for the maximum four-hour time, and then not move their car again until 8:00 a.m. on Monday. This effectively takes that space offline for customers of that small business for most of the weekend, when these spaces are most needed. As our small business community struggles to rebuild and reopen during this economic crisis, this is one action that we can take as a City to help them keep their businesses accessible and open to customers. Moreover, as a tourist

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community, many visitors come to Salem on weekends and the parking fees collected will help us with paying for much needed city services.

All the above measures are necessary to balance the budget and avoid the projected \$8.4 million deficit we expect to otherwise face.

Throughout the budgeting process, my priority was ensuring that we do not diminish the level of service that Salem residents expect and deserve. In doing so, preserving the positions of those public servants who deliver those services was of foremost concern. Needing to make budget reductions, at a time when so many of our City employees have been working harder than ever, was a difficult move, but a necessary one, in order to meet a budgetary crisis that we did not expect but must work together to overcome. The unemployment rate in Salem sharply increased from 3.1% in March to 18.5% in April; early indicators are that the May rate may climb even higher. With over 4,000 of our friends and neighbors seeking unemployment assistance, we are doing all that we can to save jobs and retain employees at this time. In turn, City staff are working in partnership toward this same goal.

The proposed FY2021 Salem budget total, inclusive of enterprise funds, is \$172,626,459 – a change of 0.32% or \$551,066 over FY2020 and 2.4%, or \$4.2 million, less than the FY2021 department requests pre-COVID-19. Fixed costs, such as health insurance, pension and retirement costs, insurance, debt payments, and state assessments, increased by a little more than \$1.6 million for FY2021. To meet the increased in fix costs, coupled with the projected revenue shortfalls from an excepted cut in local aid from the state and declines in receipts and excises, we have made a total of approximately \$1.4 million in cuts from the FY2020 budget levels.

Our schools' budget is set to increase by \$339,000 or 0.54%. This does not include school-related costs that appear elsewhere in the budget, such as school employee health insurance increases, unemployment costs, debt for school building projects, and so forth.

The enterprise fund budgets, will increase by 3.1%, or \$569,596 over the FY2020 enterprise funds budget, due to increases in assessments for these services and the need for infrastructure maintenance and upgrades. Ordinances have been submitted to you establishing the water, sewer, and trash rates necessary to fund these budgets.

The FY2021 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is also included as part of this budget, as are the associated bond orders to fund these capital investments. I am proud that we instituted a practice of including a forward-looking capital plan in our budget each year as a responsible and transparent way of planning for future obligations while meeting present-day needs to best serve Salem residents. As we have discussed, FY2021 capital investments are limited to essential or time-sensitive projects, as well as projects for which grants or non-City funds are available to us.

From having nothing in our rainy-day stabilization fund when I took office in 2006, we today have over \$8 million in that fund thanks to permanent, prudent finance policies that we have worked collectively with the Council to put in place. This year, especially, we can be grateful for

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the diligence of the past, as we will need to apply some of those emergency funds to our current budget crisis.

Despite the financial difficulties we face, our City remains dedicated to policies that foster positive economic growth, stable financial management practices, and sustainable and transparent budgeting. Since 2006 we have implemented professional financial management standards and the share of our budget that is our debt payment has been reduced by a third. We have been able to accomplish this by leveraging hundreds of millions in grants, as well as PILOT, SILOT, and other tax agreements, and by being responsible, thoughtful, and prudent with tax dollars.

In our budgeting practices, the taxpayers of Salem have always been foremost in mind, and FY2021 is no different. This budget recognizes and respects the impact of property taxes on our residents, especially as many are suffering from the financial hardship afflicting many Americans today. Salem's average tax bill change over the last decade has been well below the average for our region and coupled with the adoption of as many exemptions and abatements as practical, particularly focused on our neediest taxpayers, including lower income residents, seniors, veterans, and those living with disabilities. Salem has never sought a Proposition 2-1/2 override and we continue to tax below our allowable levy limit. For FY2021, we will maintain \$2 million in excess levy capacity.

Despite the overwhelming impact of the pandemic on our budgetary decisions, it does not diminish the other external influences with which we still must also contend. Whether it is housing needs, fears about growth, the opioids epidemic, changing demographics, or a changing climate, our community is facing many challenges that require strategic and sensible leadership. Indeed, in some respects the pandemic and ensuing economic downturn have only exacerbated some of these challenges, such as the need for affordable and available housing.

On the financial side, we continue to see challenges with the state fully funding their obligations for charter school reimbursements, even as we know other components of our state aid will also be cut this year, and the existing PILOT with the South Essex Sewerage District does not adequately compensate our city for hosting this regional facility. Rising health care costs are impacting both the public and private sector and we continue to face the challenge of OPEB and pension liabilities, not to mention costly sick-leave buybacks, agreed to decades ago, but impacting our retirement stabilization fund now.

We have worked hard to tackle these challenges by allocating funds to reserve and stabilization accounts to plan for the future and by taking actions like entering into the Group Insurance Commission, and annually reassessing the cost-effectiveness of that choice. However, the financial challenges presented by these fixed cost centers are still very real and have a real effect on our budget. Despite those previously existing pressures and despite this new economic crisis, the FY2021 budget still maintains our dedication to fiscal responsibility while strengthening our community. I am proud of our collective efforts to limit impacts on Salem taxpayers while also providing much needed services to constituents. This is possible due to our joint attentiveness to

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City finances, as well as our ongoing efforts at identifying efficiencies in the delivery of services. Our fiscal practices have resulted in not only affirmation of our historic high AA bond rating, which we received just this week for the seventh year in a row, but also our regular receipt of recognitions and awards from the Government Finance Officers' Association, a national agency that provides professional guidelines for government budgets and fiscal practices.

Lastly, another key factor in enhancing our local economy and contributing to new revenues to help meet the projected budget deficit are the public and private investments we continue to see in our community. These developments enhance our short- and long-term economic growth, create much needed housing, add to our tax base, and generate jobs. We are projecting the value increase of new growth for FY2021 at \$1.2 million; that is \$1.2 million less burden on our existing taxpayers. Without new growth we cannot provide the services and improvements that our constituents rightly demand and deserve. Given the reliable increase in fixed costs to the City and the financial crisis we face today, a reflexively anti-growth approach to local government is equivalent to endorsing substantial tax increases on Salem homeowners and the reduction of critical City services like public safety and public works. With new growth comes much needed housing, commercial enterprises with jobs and new revenues to support the needs of Salem taxpayers and local government.

In FY2021 we will continue to strive to exceed the service level expectations of our constituents, while simultaneously ensuring fiscal prudence in all expenditures. The mission of City government in Salem is to provide open, honest, and pro-active services effectively and efficiently, focusing on the needs of today, with a vision for the future. In order to accomplish this, the proposed budget aligns operations with short-term and long-term strategic goals and objectives, while maintaining necessary fiscal controls and a careful attention to our financial forecasts in our budgeting. This year especially that is a challenging balance to strike, but I believe the proposed budget accomplishes precisely this end.

Balancing the City's budget in a normal year itself is no easy task and I appreciate the hard work and cooperation our department heads have put into the preparation of this year's budget. I cannot say enough about the efforts made by our Finance Department, led by Finance Director Laurie Giardella. The department's work ensured that the budget was ready for submission and in compliance with the high standards we set for ourselves pursuant to GFOA Distinguished Budget guidelines. We are one of only a handful of Massachusetts communities who annually qualify for both a Certificate of Excellence for our Comprehensive Annual Financial Reporting and a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the GFOA.

This year in particular, I would like to acknowledge the professional and thoughtful efforts put in by our finance, legal, and HR staff and the staff from many other departments who contributed to the budget effort. Our budget-writing process typically takes around four months; our employees were asked to turn around the revised budget in just three weeks. They not only undertook this major revision to our anticipated budget in an incredibly short period of time but did so while working with unclear revenue projections and amidst the pressures of a global pandemic. Every

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resident of Salem should be proud of the dedicated public employees who work on their behalf – I know I am.

The proposed FY2021 budget represents a strong commitment to the people we are fortunate enough to have been elected to serve. It continues our balanced and responsible approach to City finances. It invests in the critical services that make Salem a vibrant city, a welcoming city, a city with schools in which we can all take pride – in short, a forward-looking and livable city for all. I recommend adoption of the proposed FY2021 budget, CIP, and other associated budgetary measures and I look forward to working with you in the coming days to enact this proposed spending plan in order to continue strengthening and improving our great City.

Sincerely,
 Kimberley Driscoll
 Mayor
 City of Salem

cc: All City of Salem Department Heads

#301 – REVOLVING FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Order from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Administration and Finance co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In City Council, June 11, 2020						
ORDERED: That the Salem City council vote, pursuant to the provisions of MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ to authorize the establishment of the revolving funds for FY 2021 as herein described. Expenditures from said funds shall not exceed the amount of funds received in the respective accounts or as authorized as stated, shall come from any funds received by the respective boards for performing services, shall be used solely for the purpose of implementing the programs delineated and shall be approved by a majority vote of any respective boards in accordance with the recommendation of Her Honor the Mayor.						
Dept	Fund Name	Fund #	Programs & Purposes	Type of Receipts Credited	Authorization for Spending	FY 2021 Budget Request Maximum Annual Expenditures

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COA	COA Programs	2374	To defray program costs including instructors, presenters, entertainment, decorations, food, etc.	Revenue s and fees charged for program s	COA Director and Mayor	\$ 40,000.00
Electrical	R/A Telecom	2376	To fund public information technology, telecommunication and electrical initiatives and projects	Applicati on fees and rental revenue from telecom municati ons pursuan t to City Ordinances 12-125 and 12-170	City Electrician and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
Fire	R/A Local Emergency Planning Comm	2433	Training and special equipment needed to resopnd to hazardous materials incidents per CH 21E	Fees charged to persons spilling or releasin g hazardo us material s	Fire Chief and Mayor	\$ 10,000.00
Fire	R/A Confined Space Drills	2449	Confined space training for Firefighters.	Fee charged to Dominio n Power	Fire Chief and Mayor	\$ 20,000.00

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				Plant to cover OT costs for Firefighter Confined Space Drill training.		
Harbormaster	Boat/Float Storage	2368	To fund Capital items for Harbormaster and to fund maintenance costs of equipment.	Fees charged for boat and float storage at Winter Island and Kernwood Marina	Harbormaster and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
Health	Health Clinics	2364	To support vaccination program and other health promotion activities of the Health Department	Reimbursements from vaccination programs	Health Agent and Mayor	\$ 20,000.00
Mayor	Special Events	2361	To cover expenses for July 4th and Haunted Happenings events.	Funding from RFP's for services, vendors and miscellaneous sponsorships.	Mayor	\$ 125,000.00

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Recreation	Winter Island	2362	To increase and replenish store inventory as needed and to enhance and maintain WI store.	Revenue from sale of inventor at the Winter Island Store	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 40,000.00
Recreation	Proctor's Ledge	2384	For Maintenance of Proctor's Ledge site	Revenue of 25 cents from the sale of each ticket at the Witch House.	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 12,000.00
Recreation	Road Race Fees	2385	For Park Maintenance	Five percent of race and event registration fees.	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 6,000.00
Recreation	Dog Park	2435	Renovations and Maintenance of Dog Park at Leslie's Retreat Park.	Fee charged for pass to use dog park (pooch pass). Twenty-Five dollars annually for pass.	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 5,000.00
Recreation	Park & Rec Public	2452	To be used for the operation	Parking and launch	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00

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	Access		and maintenance of Winter Island and McCabe Marina	fees charged at McCabe Marina & Winter Island		
Recreation	Salem Willows Meters	2459	Renovations and Maintenance of Willows Park.	Money generated from Willows Meters	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 30,000.00
Recreation	Witch House	2499	To support Salem Award committee and the Salem Witch Trial Memorial	Twenty-Five cent surcharge to tickets beginning in May 2009	Recreation Director and Mayor	\$ 10,000.00
Planning & Community Development	Old Town Hall	2373	Maintenance costs of old town hall	Rental revenue of old town hall	Director of Planning and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
Planning & Community Development	Derby Sq/Artist s Row	2375	Improvements for Derby Square and Artists' Row including outdoor furniture, signage, lighting, public art, marketing and stipends for performers	Vendor fees from Derby Square Flea/Salvage Art Market, Rent and Vendor Fees at Artists Row	Director of Planning and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00

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Planning & Community Development	Solar Renewable Energy Cert	2377	To offset Electrical Costs	Solar renewable energy credits received for rooftop solar photovoltaic systems on City and School Buildings	Director of Planning and Mayor	\$ 250,000.00
Planning & Community Development	Bike Sharing	2383	To receive and expend revenue from bike share program for system operation and promotion	Revenue from rentals and annual memberships	Director of Planning and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
Planning & Community Development	Salem Ferry Operational	2453	Fund operational costs of the Salem Ferry and Blaney Street Dock	Fees received during the off season for use/rent of ferry	Director of Planning and Mayor	\$ 500,000.00
Insp Services	Abandoned Prop Maint	2371	To maintain abandoned and foreclosed residential and	Registration fees (\$300.00) for vacant and/or	Public Service Director and Mayor	\$ 85,000.00

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			commercial properties	forclose d residenti al properti es		
Public Services	Tree Replacement	2330	To replace trees removed during construction as directed by the Tree Warden or Planning Board	Revenue from contributions per the Tree Ordinance or Planning Board decision	Director of Public Services And Mayor	\$ 30,000.00
Engineering	Traffic Island	2439	Projects related to City beautification events including Traffic Island, Beautification, and special events such as Treemendous	Primarily from: Traffic Island Sponsorships, Special Events Revenue s, Event and Beautification effort sponsors	City Engineer and Mayor	\$ 20,000.00
School	Building Rental	2601	Building Rental	Payments for rental of building by outside groups	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 225,000.00

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School	Early Childhood	2608	Pre-School Tuition	Tuition payments for students attending the pre-school program at the Early Childhood Center	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 100,000.00
School	School Busing	2614	School Bus pass	Purchases of school bus passes	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 160,000.00
School	Night School	2620	Night School Tuition	Tuition payments for students attending the night school program	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
School	Special Ed Tuition	2627	Special Ed Tuition	Tuition payments for students from other districts attending Special Ed programs in Salem	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 300,000.00

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School	SHS Automotive	2645	To pay for parts and materials for automotive repairs to vehicles brought in to the HS Automotive Vocational School by citizens	Fees charged for parts and materials for automotive repairs to vehicles brought in by citizens	School Committee and Mayor	\$ 50,000.00
					Total All Revolving Funds	\$ 2,388,000.00

**#302 – BOND ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,638,451 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021
GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Bond Order from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Administration and Finance co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In City Council June 11, 2020		
Fiscal Year 2021 General Fund Capital Improvement Program		
Ordered:		
That the sum of \$9,638,451 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of the following capital equipment and capital improvement projects listed under the heading FY21 CIP- Funded from BOND AUTHORIZATION and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, Sections 7 and/or 8, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.		
FY21 CIP-Funded from \BOND AUTHORIZATION		

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Dept.	Description	Amount
Building	Repairs and ADA Improvements	\$30,000
Electrical	Riley Plaze LED Lighting	76,000
Electrical	SMART Signalization Expansion Phase 2	100,000
Electrical	ADA walk signal buttons	10,000
Electrical	2019 FORD Escape	24,000
Engineering	Common Bandstand Restoration	60,000
Engineering	McGrath Park Soils Remediation	80,000
Engineering	Washington & Bridge St. Intersection Mass Works	100,000
Engineering	DPS Building Project	185,000
Engineering	Boston Street Complete Upgrade	285,000
Engineering	Derby Street Complete Street Phase 2/3	340,000
Engineering	Bridge Street Complete Street Flint-Boston	500,000
Engineering	Forest River Pool & Associated Facilities	1,000,000
Engineering	Citywide Seawall Improvements	100,000
Engineering	Citywide Roads, Sidewalks, and Crosswalks (Non-Chapter 90)	800,000
Fire	Fire Station 2 & 4 Facade Repair	32,000
Fire	Fire Station - ADA - #1 Paving, Ramp, Drainage, R&M	125,000
Fire	Station 1 Antenna Project	346,000
Harbor Master	Enhanced Communication DHS	\$ 25,500
IT	Digitization	150,000
IT	IT Life cycle Management (School)	

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IT	IT Lifecycle Management (City)	120,405
Library	Repairs to roof emergency stairway	28,750
Library	ADA Upgrades	10,000
Park & Recreation	Court Renovations	125,000
FY21 CIP-Funded from \ Bond Authorization (continued)		
Dept.	Description	Amount
Park & Recreation	Forest River Restrooms Interior Renovation	175,000
Park & Recreation	ADA Park Improvements	40,000
Park & Recreation	City Wide Playground Equipment/Park Upgrades	75,000
Park & Recreation	Tractor/Loader/Backhoe	70,235
Park & Recreation	Apron Tee Greens Mower	46,000
Park & Recreation	Park+ Rec Facilities_Truck	30,000
Parking	Norman Summer Chestnut Roundabout Phase 4	241,000
Parking	Traffic Calming Improvements	50,000
Parking	Garage Improvements - Annual Maintenance & ADA Compliance	100,000
Parking	Bicycle Infrastructure Design, Implementation & Maintenance	200,000
Planning	OTH and Artists' Row Repairs, Minor Renovations, ADA Compliance, Studies	30,000
Planning	Bike Parking Infrastructure	10,000
Planning	Dickson Memorial Chapel Study and Door Repair	30,500
Planning	Artists Row Bathroom Renovations Design & Construction & OTH Basement Renovations Design	130,000

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Planning	Mansell Field Restoratoion	150,000
Planning	Palmer Cove Park Renovation Phase I	270,000
Planning	Willows Restoration & Park Improvements (All Future Phases)	1,000,000
Police	Salem Police Headquarters General Repair & ADA Projects	30,000
Police	Auditorium Seating and Flooring Replacement with ADA Compliance	33,000
Police	Vehicle Replacement Plan - Patrol and Non Patrol	250,000
Police	Cameras - Community/Police	45,000
Public Services	Annual Small Repairs, Studies and ADA Improvements - DPS & Greenlawn	25,000
Public Services	replace 16 year old truck #9 with +/- 50% grant funded new vehicle	\$ 109,100
Public Services	International 6 Wheel Dump Truck (Replaces #10)	100,000
Public Services	ford f350 pickup	43,000
Public Services	f550 dump	23,012
School	ADA Upgrades / Studies / Repairs - Schools	265,000
School	New 29 Passenger Buses	68,500
School	School Capital Repairs (Roof Projs, Signage, Playground, Other)	330,000
School	School Building and Strategic Master Plan	125,000
FY21 CIP-Funded from \ Bond Authorization (continued)		
Dept.	Description	Amount
School	Salem High Bathroom renovations	200,000
School	District Camera and Access Control	250,000
School	Collins office remodel	

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		270,000
	TOTAL BOND AUTHORIZATION:	\$ 9,638,451
Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.		
Be it further Ordered:		
That the Mayor and the Treasurer are each authorized to file an application to qualify under Chapter 44A of the Massachusetts General Laws any and all bonds of the City issued under and pursuant hereto, and to provide such information and execute such documents as may be required in connection therewith.		

**#303– BOND ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,758,033 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021
WATER/SEWER ENTERPRISE FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Bond Order from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Administration and Finance co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In City Council, June 11, 2020		
Fiscal Year 2021 Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund Capital Improvement Program		
Ordered:		

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That the sum of \$4,758,033 be and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of the following capital equipment and capital improvement projects listed under the heading FY21 CIP-Funded from BOND AUTHORIZATION and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said sum under M.G.L. Chapter 44, Sections 7 and/or 8, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the City therefor.

FY21 CIP-Funded from \BOND AUTHORIZATION

Water	Forest River New Water Line	\$ 100,000
Water	Citywide Flushing, valve excercise, leak detection, GIS	300,000
Water	Water Distribution Main System Improvements	300,000
Water	Water Transmission Main System Improvements	500,000
Water	vactor truck #18 replacement	433,033
Water	Highland Ave 16 inch Water Main	200,000
Sewer	Willow Ave. Sewer Line Replacement	200,000
Sewer	Forest River Pool Sewer Line and Stormwater Systems	250,000
Sewer	Derby/Congress St. Drainage System Repairs	575,000
Sewer	SSES Report Implementation (eliminate I/I sources citywide)	600,000
Sewer	Rosie's Pond Flood Protection & Drainage System Improvements	1,000,000
Sewer	Citywide Flushing, Pipe Replacements, Sewer Extensions, GIS	300,000
	TOTAL BOND AUTHORIZATION:	\$ 4,758,033

Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 20 of the General Laws, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Be it further **Ordered:**

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That the Mayor and the Treasurer are each authorized to file an application to qualify under Chapter 44A of the Massachusetts General Laws any and all bonds of the City issued under and pursuant hereto, and to provide such information and execute such documents as may be required in connection therewith.

#304 – ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 46 SEC. 230 – SEWER USE CHARGES

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Ordinance from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Sewer Use Charges

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section I. Chapter 46, Section 230 is hereby amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

“(c) The rates for sewer use charges effective July 1, 2020 shall be as follows:

Residential, per 100 cubic feet...	\$ 7.13
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Nonresidential, per 100 cubic feet up to 25,000 cubic feet per month	\$10.80
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Nonresidential, per 100 cubic feet for 25,000 cubic feet and greater per month	\$13.83
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The use of all water and sewer funds and SESD funds shall be excluded from all private development projects.”

Section II. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.
 Action Contemplated

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#305 – ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 46 SEC. 66 – RATES FOR USE OF WATER

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Ordinance from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Rates for Use of Water

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 46, Section 66 is hereby amended by deleting subparagraph (b) in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

“(b) The rate for all water furnished by meter measurements effective July 1, 2020 shall be as follows:

- (1) Residential, per 100 cubic feet \$3.62
- (2) Nonresidential, per 100 cubic feet \$4.90

Section 2. Chapter 46, Section 66 is hereby further amended by deleting subparagraph (e) in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

“(e) The minimum rate for residential metered water for each quarter shall be \$36.20 per 1000 cubic feet effective July 1, 2020.

The use of all water and sewer funds and SESD funds shall be excluded from all private development projects.”

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.
Action Contemplated

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#306 – ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 36 – TRASH FEES

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Ordinance from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an ordinance relative to solid waste management.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1.

1) Chapter 36, Section 36-6 Collection fee for certain residences is hereby amended by deleting the fee of “\$19.50” as it appears in paragraph (a) and replacing it with the fee of “\$20.00” and further amending this paragraph (a) by deleting the fee of “\$125.00” and replacing it with a fee of “\$127.00”.

2) Chapter 36, Section 36-8 Collection fee for certain commercial establishments is hereby amended by deleting the fee of “\$28.50” and replacing it with the fee of “\$29.00”.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

#307 – ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 – PARKING ENFORCEMENT ON SUNDAYS

Received after the deadline of Tuesday noon under Suspension of the Rules to allow the matter to come before Council due to the late file (Rule Sec. 28A).

The following Ordinance from the Mayor was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs co-posted with the Committee of the Whole.

In the year two thousand and twenty

An Ordinance to amend an ordinance relative to traffic.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

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Section 1. Chapter 42, Article V, Division 2 Parking Meters is hereby amended by deleting the words “on Sunday or” as it appears in Section 57, 57A and 57C.

Section 11. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

#308 – ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 SEC. 50B – HANDICAP PARKING – LAWRENCE STREET

The following Ordinance introduced by Councillor Morsillo was adopted for first passage by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Traffic, Ch. 42. Sec. 50B

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Amending Chapter 42, Section 50B – “Handicap Zones, Limited Time” is hereby amended by adding the following:

Lawrence Street, in front of #45 for a distance of fifteen (15) feet south of the driveway on the north side of the house and running for twenty (20) feet, “Handicapped Parking Only, Tow Zone.”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

#309 – ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 SEC. 75 – RESIDENT STICKER PARKING – DERBY STREET

The following Ordinance introduced by Councillor McCarthy was adopted for first passage by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Traffic, Ch. 42. Sec. 75

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

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Section 1. Chapter 42, Section 75 – “Parking Prohibitions Towing Zone (Resident Parking)” is hereby amended by adding the following:

Derby Street, Zone A, Color Blue, from #66 to #159 Derby Street to be included to obtain resident sticker parking permits , but no visitor passes shall be issued, “Resident Sticker Parking, Tow Zone”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

#310 – MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT DATED APRIL 2020

The following order introduced by Councillor Turiel was adopted.

ORDERED: That the FY 2020 Monthly Financial Report dated April 2020 be referred to the Committee on Administration and Finance

#311 – (#267 & #289) – PUBLIC GUIDES

Councillor Madore offered the following report for the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs. It was voted to accept the report and adopt the recommendation by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

The Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs. to whom it was referred the matter of two (2) Public Guides Courtney Reardon and Olivia Giroux-Galpin has considered said matter and would recommend both these licenses be granted.

#312 – (#87) – COMMUNITY IMPACT UNIT PRESENTATION

Councillor Dibble offered the following report for the Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole. It was voted to adopt the report and accept the recommendation by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

The Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to whom it was referred the matter a Presentation from the Community Impact Unit has considered said matter and would recommend that the City Council President appoint a Council liaison to the CIU and that the CIU provide monthly written updates to the City Council.

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#313 – (#171) – UPDATE FROM HEALTH AGENT RELATIVE TO COVID-19

Councillor Dibble offered the following report for the Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole. It was voted to adopt the report and accept the recommendation.

The Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to whom it was referred the matter an update from the Health Agent in regards to COVID-19 it has considered said matter and would recommend that the matter be discharged.

#314 – (#148) – RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE FOR PLASTICS, STRAWS, STYROFOAM, CIGARETTE BUTTS, NIP BOTTLES

Councillor Dibble offered the following report for the Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to whom it was referred the matter of plastics, straws, styrofoam, cigarette butts, nip bottles etc. has considered said matter and would recommend that the matter remain in committee.

#315 – (#149) – DRAFT GAS BAN ORDINANCE

Councillor Dibble offered the following report for the Committee on Public Health Safety Environment co-posted with the Committee of the Whole to whom it was referred the matter of a Gas ban. has considered said matter and would recommend that the matter remain in committee.

#316 – BLOCK PARTY – CHESTNUT STREET

A petition from Chestnut St. to hold a block party July 4, 2020 from 12:00 PM – 7:00 P.M. was held to the next meeting.

#317 - DRAINLAYER/CONTRACT OPERATOR LICENSE

The Following Drainlayer/Contract Operator License Applications were granted

Frazier Construction Inc. 60 Standish Rd., Lynn
WAM General Contractors 363 Cabot St., Beverly

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#318 - CLAIMS

The Following Claim was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs.

Alexander Moura 24A Shore Dr., Peabody

#319 – DRAINLAYER BONDS

The Following Bonds was referred to the Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs and returned approved.

DRAINLAYERS: Frazier Construction Inc. 60 Standish Rd., Lynn
 WAM General Contractors 363 Cabot St., Beverly

(#739 OF 2018) – ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 RELATIVE TO CROSSWALKS

Held from the last meeting the Second Passage of an Ordinance amending Traffic relative to Crosswalks was then taken up. Councillor Madore moved held until the next meeting. Councillors wanted time to review the information they requested.

In the year two thousand and twenty

An Ordinance to amend and Ordinance relative to Traffic, Chapter 42, - crosswalks Including Section 50 – Prohibited in certain specified places: Section 74 – General prohibition towing zones; and Section 17A – Schedule of Fines re: Penalties

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows

SECTION 1. Amending Section 50, Prohibited in certain specified places by adding to the end of the section: “P. **CROSSWALKS** – Within ten (10) feet of a crosswalk on the side from which traffic approaches, or except where a sign requiring a greater distance has been erected.”

Amending Section 74, General Prohibition Towing Zones by adding to the end of the section: “Upon any way within ten (10) feet of a crosswalk on the side from which traffic approaches, or except where a sign requiring a greater distance has been erected.”

Amending Section 17A, Schedule of Fine re: Penalties by adding to the end of the section: “Upon any way within ten (10) feet of a crosswalk on the side from which traffic

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approaches, or except where a sign requiring a greater distance has been erected”....Section 50 and Section 74

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter

(#278)– ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 SEC. 50B - HANDICAP PARKING - REPEAL MOFFATT ROAD

Second Passage of an Ordinance amending Traffic was then taken up. It was voted to adopt for second and final passage by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Traffic, Ch. 42. Sec. 50B

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

Section 1. Amending Chapter 42, Section 50B – “Handicap Parking, Time Limited” is hereby amended by repealing the following:

Moffatt Road, in front of #58 for a distance of eighteen (18) feet, “Handicapped Parking Only, Tow Zone.”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

(#279) - ORDINANCE AMENDING TRAFFIC CH. 42 SEC. 50B - HANDICAP PARKING – ORCHARD STREET

Second Passage of an Ordinance amending Traffic was then taken up. It was voted to adopt for second and final passage by a roll call vote of 11 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent. Councillors Dibble, Dominguez, Flynn, Hapworth, Madore, Morsillo, Prosniewski, Riccardi, Sargent, Turiel and McCarthy were all recorded in the affirmative.

In the year Two Thousand and Twenty

An Ordinance to amend an Ordinance relative to Traffic, Ch. 42. Sec. 50B

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Salem, as follows:

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Section 1. Amending Chapter 42, Section 50B – “Handicap Parking, Time Limited” is hereby amended by adding the following:

Orchard Street, in front of #18 for a distance of twenty (20) feet, “Handicapped Parking Only, Tow Zone.”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by City Charter.

On the motion of Councillor Sargent the meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

ATTEST:

ILENE SIMONS
CITY CLERK