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**WARRANT FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councillor:

The Organizational Meeting of the 2022 City Council will be held on **Monday, January 3, 2022 at 10:00 AM** in the Legislative Building, 700 Main St., Fitchburg MA.

This meeting will be open to the public. Persons who wish to participate remotely in the Public Forum portion of the meeting may request a remote attendance meeting link by contacting the City Clerk at [cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov](mailto:cityclerk@fitchburgma.gov).

The Meeting has been called for the following purposes:

Administration of Oaths of Office to newly elected officials: Mayor, City Council, School Committee;

Election of the Council President for the year 2022;

Election of the Council Vice President for the year 2022;

1 – 22   **ORDER:**   Adopting Rules of the City Council for the year 2022;

2 – 22   **ORDER:**   Setting dates of Regular Meetings of the City Council for the year 2022.

Per Order:

Amanda K. Alford  
Provisional City Clerk

The Organization Meeting of the City Council was held in the Legislative Building, 700 Main Street, Fitchburg and called to order by Provisional City Clerk Amanda Alford at 10:04 AM. The Clerk made the following statement:

Please be advised that FATV is conducting audio and video recording of this meeting for public broadcast. I ask anyone else in the audience who is recording this meeting to please identify themselves for the record now by standing and stating their name and address.

The Salute to the Flag was led by Councilor Zarrella. The Clerk called the roll and eleven (11) members were present. Board consists of 11 members. The City Clerk read the warrant for the Organizational Meeting.

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The Oath of Office was administered to the Mayor, School Committee Members and City Councilors.

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Nominations for Council President were declared open by the City Clerk. The name of Councilor Anthony Zarrella was placed in nomination and seconded. There were no further nominations. Nominations were declared closed following a unanimous roll call vote. A vote of unanimous consent resulted in the election of Councilor Anthony Zarrella as President of the City Council for the year 2022. President Zarrella assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

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Nominations for Council Vice President were declared open by President Zarrella. The name of Councilor Andrew Van Hazinga was placed in nomination and seconded. There were no further nominations. Nominations were declared closed following a unanimous roll call vote. A vote of unanimous consent resulted in the election of Councilor Andrew Van Hazinga as Vice President of the City Council for the year 2022.

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In accordance with Section 1.3 of the Council Rules, President Zarrella appointed Councilor Sally Cragin as Parliamentarian for the year 2022.

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The following Orders were received:

1 – 22    **ORDER:**    Adopting Rules of the City Council for the year 2022

Amendment proposed by Council Bernard Schultz:

Rule 3.20 (formerly Rule 3.21 approved unanimously by the Legislative Affairs Committee on October 12, 2021)

A member shall not, in a single speech, repeat or reiterate points, other than in passing or in brief summation, nor shall subsequent speech on the same matter or a related matter make more than a passing reference to points already made on a previous occasion during the same meeting.

VOTE:

Motion to adopt amendment failed by a roll call vote of 6 in favor and 5 opposed (Beauchemin, Couture, DiNatale, Fleming, Squailia)

A motion to accept the 2021 rules for 2022 passed by unanimous roll call vote. 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

2 – 22 **ORDER:** Setting dates of Regular Meetings of the City Council for the year 2022.

The dates of the regular meetings of the City Council for the year 2022 are as follows:

JANUARY	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>
FEBRUARY	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	and	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>
MARCH	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	and	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>
APRIL	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>
MAY	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	and	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>
JUNE	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>
JULY	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>
AUGUST	NO MEETINGS		
SEPTEMBER	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>
OCTOBER	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>
NOVEMBER	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	and	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>
DECEMBER	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	and	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>

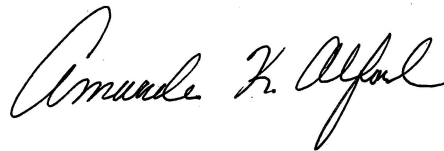
Meetings are scheduled to begin at 7:00 PM  
Legislative Building  
700 Main Street, Fitchburg MA 01420

VOTE:

Order was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. 11 members present. Board consists of 11 members.

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The Meeting adjourned at 10:27 AM.



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Amanda K. Alford, Provisional City Clerk