



**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA
CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA 02780**

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NOVEMBER 19, 2013 – 7:00 PM

**INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
RECORDS**

HEARING: **Possibility of a continued hearing for reconsideration:**
• Board of Assessors FY2014 Classification Hearing

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

- **Presentation of the FY2014 Supplemental Budget**

APPOINTMENTS

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

- Pg. 1-2 Com. from Commissioner, Parks, Cemeteries, and Public Grounds –
Notifying of the Annual Christmas Parade
- Pg. 3-4 Com. from the Executive Board of the Taunton Republican City
Committee, P.O. Box 1105, Taunton – Expressing thoughts on tax shift
- Pg. 5 Com. from Chairman, Taunton Christmas Parade – Extending an
invitation

PETITIONS

Hours of Operation (Black Friday)

1. Olympia Sports located at 2 Galleria Mall Drive, East Taunton
2. Burger King located at 2 Galleria Mall Drive, East Taunton
3. Garnish Your Dog located at 2 Galleria Mall Drive, East Taunton
4. Claire's located at 2 Galleria Mall Drive, East Taunton

Hours of Operation

1. CVS located at 284 Winthrop St., Taunton

Class II Licenses

1. Advantage Automotive located at 600 Winthrop St., Taunton
2. Amorim Auto Sales, Inc. located at 265 Longmeadow Road, Taunton
3. B&J Auto Sales located at 14 Whittenton St., Taunton

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4. Cambra Auto Sales located at 117 Summer St., Taunton
5. Costa's Service Center located at 28 Leonard St., Taunton
6. County Street Motors located at 603 County St., Taunton
7. Cruisin Classics located at 632 Winthrop St., Taunton
8. De-Anth Motors located at 115 Broadway, Taunton
9. Dipson Convenience & Repair, Inc. -DBA- Dipson & Sons Auto Sales located at 146 Tremont St., Taunton
10. Fogg Auto Sales, Inc. located at 346 Winthrop St., Taunton
11. Hilltop Motors located at 1 Lawton St., Taunton
12. Jaime's Auto Body, Inc. located at 111 Arlington St., Taunton
13. K&L Auto Sales & Repair located at 80 Cohannet St., Taunton
14. Loftus Auto City, Inc. located at 450 Winthrop St., Taunton
15. Mello's Auto Repair & Sales located at 45 South St., Taunton
16. New England Auto located at 157 W. Water St., Taunton
17. Perry's Towing & Service, Inc. located at 143 Broadway, Taunton
18. Premium Motor Sales, Inc. located at 340 Winthrop St., Taunton
19. R&F Motors, Inc. located at 35 Dana St., Taunton
20. Route 44 Tire Shack located at 585 Richmond St., East Taunton
21. Scott's Service Center, Inc. located at 129-131 Ingell St., Taunton
22. Top Quality Auto Sales, Inc. located at 397 Winthrop St., Taunton

Name Change of Class II License

Petition submitted by Frederick Kingsley, P.O. Box 2644, Taunton requesting to change the name of his Class II License from K&L Auto Sales and Repair to Planet Auto. The location is to remain at 80 Cohannet St., Taunton.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

NEW BUSINESS

Respectfully submitted,



**Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk**



CITY OF TAUNTON
MASSACHUSETTS

PARKS, CEMETERIES & PUBLIC GROUNDS

Marilyn A. Greene
Commissioner

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November 14, 2013

Mayor Thomas C. Hoye Jr. and
Members of the Municipal Council
Temporary City Hall
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Mayor Hoye and Council Members:

On Sunday, December 8, 2013 the Annual Christmas Parade will be held beginning at 12:00 Noon from the Liberty and Union Plaza, Rte. 138 and will end at City Hall.

In order to have a safe and successful event, we are requesting your permission to work with the Taunton Police Department in coordinating all safety issues along the parade route.

We request the following streets be closed and "No Parking Signs" posted as follows:

James, Oxford and Avon & Whittenton Streets
(No Parking Signs posted on both sides of streets – 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM)

East Britannia Street
Mayflower Hill Cemetery to St. Joseph's Cemetery
(No Parking Signs posted on both sides of streets – 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM)

Washington Street to Thrasher Street
(Street closed at 10:30 AM)

East Britannia & Thrasher Street
(Street closed at 10:30 AM)

Broadway - Mayflower Cemetery to Liberty Union Plaza
(Street closed at 10:30 AM)

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Main, Summer & Spring Streets
(Street closed beginning at 12:00 Noon)

We have met with the Police Department and have discussed these issues with his staff to coordinate the parade route. We are also requesting use of the temporary barriers to keep the crowds and private street vendors outside of the roadway for the marching bands and floats as they turn onto Main Street.

If you require further information, feel free to contact me or Gene Alger, Parade Chairman at 528-880-0029. We look forward to your participation in the parade.

Sincerely,



Marilyn A. Greene, Commissioner

Copy to: Police Chief Edward Walsh
Fire Chief Tim Bradshaw



TAUNTON REPUBLICAN CITY COMMITTEE
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November 14, 2013
Council President John McCaul
Temporary City Hall
141 Oak St.
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Council President,

We are writing you today to express our deep disappointment in you and the other four city councilors on your vote to shift a portion of the tax burden from businesses to the taxpaying citizens of Taunton. We are referring to the vote taken on November 12, 2013, a vote that you delayed until after the election. In addition, although this was on the agenda that was published on the city's website, it was not made clear that you were considering an unexpected tax increase on the residents. Because of this the public was not prepared to voice their opinion on this, even though the Chamber of Commerce was given a heads up and presented their argument for the tax shift.

We understand the importance of keeping and attracting businesses to help grow and revitalize the city, so reducing the commercial rate to make it competitive with the surrounding area makes a lot of sense. However, we do not understand how it makes any sense at all to raise taxes on the people who can least afford it. Anyone on a fixed income or low income will now have to find a way to cut their spending in order to be able to pay this increase in taxes. Why couldn't you and the other councilors look for ways to cut city spending? Instead, you took the easy way out and passed it on to us.

Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated on WVBF that it was necessary to do this so that the city could still hire more police and firemen. That is a straw man argument. To ask your constituents to believe that there is no wasteful spending that could be cut to offset the lost revenue stretches credulity.

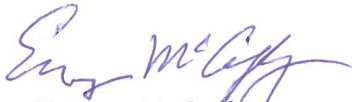
If the lower commercial tax rate will bring more businesses to the city, it follows that there should be an increase in tax revenue from all those new businesses. That being the case, there should be zero need to increase the taxes on the citizens of Taunton at all.

As a fellow Republican, we urge you to restore the 1.75 ratio that has been the rate businesses in our community have prepared projections for, and focus on a separate tax relief package for businesses. Adjusting a known increase in taxes downward for businesses is not real tax relief, and it is unacceptable that in altering that ratio our residents, who have not made projections for such an increase, will suffer. Real reform would work to lower the rate and find corresponding decreases in spending and in other taxes and fees that are imposed on the residents. For example, the trash bag fees would be a good place to start.

We would be happy to assist you in finding a responsible resolution of this issue.

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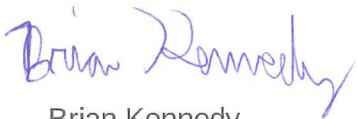
The Executive Board of the Taunton Republican City Committee



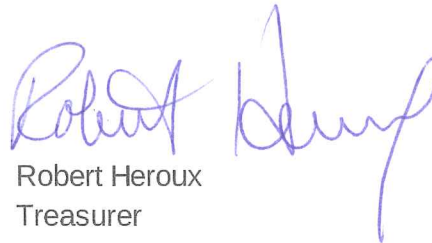
Eugene McCaffrey
Chairman



Tom Stewart
Vice Chairman



Brian Kennedy
Secretary



Robert Heroux
Treasurer



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***Taunton Christmas Parade
"100 Years of Family Memories"***

November 14, 2013

*Mayor Tom Hoye
Members of the Municipal Council
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780*

Dear Mayor Hoye & Council Members:

The Taunton Christmas Parade Committee cordially invites you to participate in the 35th Annual Christmas Parade. The parade will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2013 at 12:00 Noon from Liberty & Union Plaza on Broadway.

It is our hope that you will again participate in this parade. We ask that you kindly respond by Friday, November 22nd to the Parks, Cemeteries & Public Grounds Office at 508-821-1415 or in the evening to 508-880-0029.

All parade participants will be contacted one week prior to inform you of the time you should report and the street location of your division. We look forward to your participation!

Sincerely,

*Gene Alger
Chairman*



NOVEMBER 19, 2013

HONORABLE THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., MAYOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT JOHN M. McCAUL
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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PLEASE NOTE: **THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2013 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TEMPORARY CITY HALL AT MAXHAM SCHOOL, 141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA. 02780, IN THE CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

5:30 P.M.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & SALARIES

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING
3. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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THE COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

1. MEET WITH THE ASSISTANT CITY SOLICITOR TO DISCUSS SEWER ABATEMENT REQUESTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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THE COMMITTEE ON FIRES AND WIRES

1. MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL ISSUE.
2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE

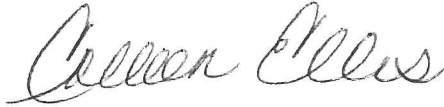
1. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF AND DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS CONSTABLE:
 - A. MANUEL MASSA, RAYNHAM, MA. – RENEWAL
 - B. CHARLES MOSHER, JR., TAUNTON, MA – RENEWAL
 - C. MELISSA MOSHER FLORIN, TAUNTON, MA, - NEW
 2. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF AND DETECTIVE SMITH ON PETITION OF WILLIAM BUTLER, 195 FIELD STREET FOR RENEWAL OF 2012 AND 2013 JUNK COLLECTOR'S LICENSE LOCATED AT 195 FIELD STREET.
 3. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF AND DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE PETITION OF BISSIE MITCHELL, 262 TAUNTON AVE., SEEKONK FOR RENEWAL OF FORTUNE TELLER LICENSE D/B/A SONIA'S PALM READING, 396 WINTHROP STREET, TAUNTON
 4. MEET WITH THE POLICE CHIEF AND DETECTIVE SMITH ON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS TO OPERATE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 1 A.M. AND 4 A.M. AS PER CITY ORDINANCE SEC. 12-2:
 - A. ABERCROMBIE & FITCH D/B/A HOLLISTER
 - B. AEROPOSTALE
 - C. A.P. PRETZELS D/B/A WETZELS PRETZELS
 - D. BEST BUY
 - E. CELL HUTT INC. D/B/A METRO PCS
 - F. CHARLOTTE RUSSE
 - G. D'ANGELOS
 - H. DICK'S SPORTING GOODS
 - I. DUNKIN DONUTS
 - J. EXPRESS FASHION OPERATION LLC D/B/A EXPRESS
 - K. FOREVER 21
 - L. FYE
 - M. GAME STOP
 - N. HAT WORLD INC. D/B/A LIDS
 - O. HOMETOWN COLLECTIBLES
 - P. HOT TOPICS
 - Q. JOURNEY'S
 - R. JUSTICE
 - S. PAYLESS
 - T. PCX CLOTHING
 - U. PIERCING PAGODA
 - V. RADIO SHACK
 - W. SEARS
 - X. TEKKA GRILL
 - Y. THE CHILDREN'S PLACE
 - Z. VICTORIA'S SECRET
 - AA. YANKEE CANDLE
- ALL LOCATED AT 2 GALLERIA MALL DRIVE**

- BB. DUNKIN DONUTS, 5 WASHINGTON STREET
- CC. HESS EXPRESS, 23 CAPE ROAD
- DD. OCEAN STATE JOB LOT OF TAUNTON LLC D/B/A OCEAN STATE JOB LOT, 280 WINTHROP STREET
- EE. TARGET, 81 DEPOT DRIVE
- 5. MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS GRIEVANCE
- 6. MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL/DISCIPLINARY MATTER.
- 7. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

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RESPECTFULLY,



COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES