

**City Councillor
Joseph A. DelGrosso
City Council Chamber
February 23, 2015**

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

President Powers presiding.

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, Reardon and Zambuto and President Powers present. Councillor Penta absent.

3. Approval of the Journals of the meetings held on January 26, and February 9, 2015.

The Journals were declared approved as presented.

Ordered received and placed on file.

12-022
poles.

4. Joint meeting of the utility meetings to discuss double

individuals:

Addressing the Council on this issue were the following

Dan Cameron
Tim Kelley
Stan Usovicz

Ordered received and placed on file.

Public Hearing

15-010

5. Hearing continued as ordered, upon the Refunding Loan Order.

Proponents

Mayor Daniel Rizzo
George Anzuoni, Finance Director

Opponents

None

The City Council moved to act upon the refunding loan order at this time.

Ordered: That, in order to reduce interest costs, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, be authorized to issue refunding bonds pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44 § 21A to refund all or any portion of the remaining principal of and redemption premium and interest on any bonds of the City outstanding as of the date of adoption of this Order, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto, and that the Mayor and the Treasurer are each authorized to take any and all other action necessary to carry out the purposes of this Order.

Further Ordered: and that the Treasurer be authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the “Commonwealth”) to qualify under Chapter 44 of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City authorized by this order, and to provide such information and execute such documents, as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith.

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

Communications

15-032 6. Comm. from the Mayor:

It is with a great deal of pride that I report to your Honorable Body that the analysis from the Standard and Poor’s Rating Services have reviewed the City of Revere on numerous factors (financial, economic budgetary, management and debt) and have determined that the City’s outlook is table and our Bond Rating is held at AA-.

During a telephone rating call, I along with with our Director of Finance, George Anzuoni, answered questions and presented data that supported their findings.

The positive result is due to the hard work that both my administration and your honorable body have done over the past three years. I look forward to this continued partnership.

(copy of the attachment has been made part of the official documents of the Revere City Council).

Mayor Daniel Rizzo addressed the Council.

Ordered received and placed on file.

15-035 7. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Distinguished Budget Presentation Award – Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)

It is with the utmost pride that I inform your honorable body that the City of Revere, for the first time in its history, has received the *Distinguished Budget Presentation Award* from the Government Finance Officers

Association (GFOA). The guidelines to achieve this award are the most stringent as set forth by the GFOA.

As we've said many times, my administration has been moving towards this format in stages since I took office back in January of 2012. Each year the budget document has had a changing face. More and more detailed information has been added in order to make the budget more user friendly, and facilitate budget debate. In addition, we believe that the budget has become more of a working document and one that is more accountable to the residents of this community.

This award coupled with the Comprehensive Analytical Financial Reporting Award (CAFRA) that the City received last year, places the City of Revere with only a handful of communities throughout the Commonwealth to hold both of these distinctions. These awards are given on an annual basis and it is my goals to continue to not only apply for these designations in the future, but to improve in our reporting each and every year.

I would like to express my appreciation to you, the Revere City Council. Further, I'd like to offer special recognition to George Anzuoni, Director of Finance, Laurie Giardella, City Auditor, Miles Lang-Kennedy, Administrative Assistant and Sarah Concannon from the University of Massachusetts, Edward J. Collins Jr. Center for Public Management for all of their efforts.

Mayor Daniel Rizzo addressed the Council.

Ordered received and placed on file.

15-039 8. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) Local Water System Assistance Program (LWSAP) Bond Authorization

As we all know, it has been determined that repairs and upgrades to our aging water distribution system is necessary. There is the opportunity for the City of take advantage of a zero interest loan from the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) under the Local Water System Assistance Program (LWSAP).

Please find attached a proposed loan authorization in the amount of one million eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$1,850,000). I respectfully request that your Honorable Body approve this loan authorization in order to receive the funds from the LWSAP for these most necessary projects.

I have attached for your review, a letter from the City Engineer, Nick Rystrom who will be available at the public hearing to answer any and all questions your Honorable Body may have.

Loan Order

Ordered: that \$1,850,000 is appropriated to pay costs of laying and relaying water mains and lining and relining such mains as improvements to the City's water system, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow \$1,850,000 under G. L c, 44 S8, or pursuant to any other enabling authority; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or financial assistance agreement with the MWRA with respect to such loan; that the Mayor is authorized to contract for and expend any federal, state or other aid available for the project, including any grant related to such project, from the MWRA, and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

Ordered referred to a public hearing.

15-34 9. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Transfer of Free Cash to the Fund

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue has certified our free cash figures as of June 30, 2014 to be in the amount of \$6,088,407 for the General Fund, and \$1,891,475 for the Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund. In accordance with City Ordinance 3.01.020 Sec A and Chapter 3.03.020 Sec A., I respectfully request that your Honorable Body transfer the following amounts to the respective Stabilization Funds:

***Free Cash – General Fund to the Stabilization Account – General Fund*
\$913,261.05**

***Free Cash – Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund* \$283,721.25**

I, along with our Director of Finance, George Anzuoni will be available to answer any questions that may arise.

• A copy of the attachments have been made part of the official documents of the Revere City Council.

Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the following sum be appropriated by transferring said sum as follows:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
W&S Enterprise Free Cash	W&S Enterprise Stabilization
\$283,721.25	\$283,721.25

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

Motion presented by Councillor Zambuto: That the following sum be appropriated by transferring said sum as follows:

From

To

**General Fund – Free Cash
\$913,261.05**

**Stabilization Fund
\$913,261.05**

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

15-033 10. Comm. from the Mayor:

The Department of Revenue has notified the City that our Free Cash certification for June 30, 2014 is as follows:

<i>General Fund</i>	\$6,088,407.00
<i>Enterprise Fund</i>	1,891,475.00

Please note these are the largest amounts that the City has ever been certified for in its history.

Ordered received and placed on file.

15-036 11. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Appointment – Revere Housing Authority – Commissioner

I am writing to request that the City Council consider the following reappointment:

- 1. For reappointment to the RHA, Commissioner, George Anzuoni, for a five year term expiring on February 12, 2020.**

Ordered referred to the Appointment sub-committee.

15-037 12. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: 40U Ordinance Proposal

I am writing to ask the City Council to adopt Chapter 40U of the Massachusetts General Laws into the City of Revere’s Ordinances.

Chapter 40U allows cities and towns to adopt procedures for payment of municipal fines such as housing and sanitary code violations similar to the manner used for non-criminal disposition of penalties for traffic and parking tickets. Chapter 40U outlines the appeal process and allows the City to commit unpaid fines to the property tax bill, securitizing the fine as a lien on the violator’s property.

Departments across City Government have been working towards the adoption of this ordinance, along with a new software system, for over 2 years. I am requesting the full City Council to consider the new ordinance through a public hearing. We strongly believe that chapter 40U will allow

City Government to take a more active role in reducing quality of life issues in our neighborhoods.

Ordered to a Public Hearing.

15-038 13. Comm. from the Mayor:

Please find attached the audited financial statements as of June 30, 2014 for the City of Revere. This format is once again in accordance with the standards set forth by the Government Finance Officers Association for the “Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.” The City received this award for the first time last year and has applied for it once again.

***A copy of the report is on file and made part of the official document of the Revere City Council.**

Communication received and placed on file.

15-040 14. Comm. from the Mayor

I am hereby requesting the City Council’s confirmation of Lohan Moreira, 1123 Revere Beach Parkway, Apt. 11, Revere, Ma as a Constable for the City of Revere.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws, this appointment is granted for a period of three years, unless sooner revoked by the Mayor, Chief of Police or the Honorable City Council.

Mr. Moreira has been advised that the Appointment sub-committee will be contacting him shortly with a date and time to appear before them concerning this appointment.

Ordered referred to the Appointment sub-committee.

15-041 15. Comm. from the Mayor:

I am hereby requesting the City Council’s confirmation of Paul Minsky, 15 Lynn Shore Drive, Lynn, Ma., as a Constable for the City of Revere.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 91 of the Massachusetts General Laws, this appointment is granted for a period of three years unless sooner revoked by the Mayor, Chief of Police or the Honorable City Council.

Mr. Minsky has been advised that the Appointment sub-committee will be contacting him shortly with a date and time to appear before them concerning this appointment.

Ordered referred to the Appointment sub-committee.

Motions

15-027 16. Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Mayor, Supt. Of Public Works, Police Chief, and Fire Chief, work out a comprehensive snow removal plan for FY 16 to include one-sided parking throughout the city on even-side parking or even year.

Ordered referred to the Public Works Committee.

15-028 17. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That the Traffic Commission adopt emergency artery designations to the easterly side of North Shore Road between Revere Beach Parkway and Butler Circle.

15-029 18. Ordered on a Motion presented Councillor Giannino: That the Mayor request a Representative from Globe Direct to appear before the Revere City Council and to command its delivery personnel to only place the flyers on the porches or stairs of those residents receiving the subscriptions not thrown on the sidewalk or landscaping. In light of the recent snowstorms, I have received several complaints from residents that Globe Direct flyers have been the cause of broken and jammed snow blowers because the flyers were not delivered properly.

Ordered that several lates be admitted for consideration.

15-030 19. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Patch: That the Mayor request the Police Department - Traffic Division to enforce "Overnight Parking of Commercial Vehicles" on Sherman Street.

15-031 20. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Powers, Giannino and Patch: That the City Council present Boston Harley Davidson with a citation in honor of its grand opening.

15-042 21. Comm. from the Mayor:

Re: Appointments / ReAppointments to Council on Elder Affairs

I am willing to request that the City Council consider the appointment of Ms. Rose Colannino, 243 Larkin Street, Revere to the Council on Elder Affairs. Ms. Colannino shall be filling a vacant position, which term shall expire on March 1, 2018.

I am further writing to request that the City Council reappoint the following individuals to the Council on Elder Affairs, all of which terms shall expire on March 1, 2018.

- Sylvia Corin, 35 McCoba Street – Unit 38, Revere, Ma.
- Thelma Smith, 35 McCoba Street – Unit 36, Revere, Ma.
- Josephine Piccardi, 14 Philomena Drive A, Revere, Ma.
- George Shaheen, 8 Rand Street, Revere, Ma.
- Morris Morris, 26 Standish Road, Revere, Ma.
- Agnes Ferrioli, 28 Haskell Avenue, Revere, Ma.
- Al Terminiello, 21 Eastern Avenue, Revere, Ma.
- Irma Accettullo, 566 Washington Avenue, Revere, Ma.

- Nicholas Giacobbe, 26 Avalon Street, Revere, Ma.**
- Vincent Cammarata, 624 B Malden Street, Revere, Ma.**
- Amedeo Iocco, 21 Case Drive, Revere, Ma.**

Thank you for your consideration of these requests

Ordered referred to the Appointment sub-committee.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Zambuto: That the City Council now stands adjourned to meet on Monday evening, March 9, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

Ordered adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Attest:

City Clerk