

**City Councillor
Joseph A. DelGrosso
City Council Chamber
Journal
March 14, 2016**

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

President Giannino presiding.

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

2. Roll Call: Councillors Guinasso, Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Rotondo, Zambuto and President Giannino present.

Unfinished Business

16-040 3. Re: Petition of Verizon for pole relocation on Fernwood Avenue.

Subject matter tabled, March 7th 2016.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Guinasso: That the subject matter be taken from the table at this time.

Addressing the City Council at this time was:

Everett Bryant, Verizon Representative
125 High Street
Boston, MA

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Guinasso: On the petition of Verizon for a permission to install a joint pole location on Fernwood Avenue.

Motion to grant the petition was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillor Guinasso, Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Rotondo, Zambuto and President Giannino voting "YES".

Committee Reports

CZ-16-01

16-028 4. An Ordinance Further Amending the Zoning the Ordinances of the City of Revere relative to the definition of "kennel".

Proposed Ordinance is now before the Council for a vote.

Amendment was offered at this time to strike Sections 2 and 3 from the proposed amendment.

Amendment was declared Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Guinasso, Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Rotondo and Giannino voting “YES”. Councillor Zambuto recused himself from the vote.

Proposed Ordinance as amended is now before the City Council as amended:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REVERE AS FOLLOWS:

AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REVERE

Section 1. Title 17, Chapter 17.08 – Definitions of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by deleting the definition of “kennel” and inserting in place thereof the following definition of “kennel”:

“kennel” means “a pack or collection of dogs on a single premise, including a commercial boarding or training kennel, commercial breeder kennel, domestic charitable corporation kennel, personal kennel or veterinary kennel as defined by Massachusetts General Law c. 140, §§136A to 137A as amended by Chapter 193 of the Legislative Acts of 2012 An Act Further Regulating Animal Control.”

Subject matter was Ordered to a second reading as amended. Councillor Zambuto recused himself from the vote.

Subject matter was Ordered on a second, third and final reading as amended. Councillor Zambuto recused himself from the vote.

Subject matter was Ordered Engrossed and Ordained as amended on a Roll Call: Councillors Guinasso, Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Rotondo and Giannino voting “YES”. Councillor Zambuto recused himself from the vote.

CZ-16-02

16-048 5. An Ordinance Further Amending the Zoning Ordinances of the City of Revere relative to the Flood Plain District.

AN ORDINANCE FURTHER AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REVERE

Section 1. Title 17, Chapter 17.46, Section 17.46.010 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by deleting the language in this section in its entirety and replacing it with the following new language:

“The Floodplain District is herein established as an overlay district. The district includes all special flood hazard areas within the City of Revere designated as Zone A, AE, AH, AO, AR, A99, V, or VE on the Suffolk County Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the administration of the National Flood Insurance Program. The map panels of the Suffolk County FIRM that are

wholly or partially within the City of Revere are panel numbers 009J, 017J, 019J, 028J, 029J, 036J, 037J, and 038J dated March 16, 2016. The exact boundaries of the district may be defined by the 100-year base flood elevations shown on the FIRM and further defined by the Suffolk County Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report dated March 16, 2016. The FIRM and FIS report are incorporated herein by reference and are on file with the City Clerk, Planning Board, Building Official, and Conservation Commission.”

Section 2. Title 17, Chapter 17.46, Section 17.46.090 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by deleting paragraph A in its entirety and replacing it with the following new language:

“A. Sections of the State Building Code which address floodplain and coastal high hazard areas.”

Section 3. Title 17, Chapter 17.46, Section 17.46.090 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Revere is hereby amended by adding the following new paragraph F:

“F. All subdivision proposals must be designed to assure that such proposals minimize flood damage; All public utilities and facilities are located and constructed to minimize or eliminate flood damage; and adequate drainage is provided to reduce exposure to flood hazards.”

Subject matter was Ordered to a second reading.

Subject matter was Ordered on a second third and final reading.

Councillor Guinasso voting "NO".

Motion of Councillor Rotondo: That the City Council now move to revert back and rescind the vote taken on the second, third and final reading for the purpose of an official Roll Call vote on this matter.

Motion to rescind vote was Ordered on a Roll Call: Councillors Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Rotondo, Zambuto and President Giannino voting “YES”. Councillor Guinasso voting “NO”.

The subject matter is now ordered on a second, third and final reading

Proposed flood amendment was Ordered Engrossed and Ordained on a Roll Call: Councillors Haas, Keefe, McKenna, Morabito, Novoselsky, Patch, Powers, Zambuto and President Giannino voting “YES”. Councillors Guinasso and Rotondo voting “NO”.

16-017 6. **Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo:** That the Mayor request the City Planner to research the feasibility of creating an innovation overlay zone.

Ordered referred back to Committee on Zoning.

16-029 7. Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor look into the feasibility of urban farming and husbandry as permitted in the City of Boston.

Ordered referred back to the Committee on Zoning.

Communications

CZ-16-02

16-048 8. Comm. from the Planning Board:

Re: Floodplain Zoning Amendment:

Pursuant to Section 17.56.050 of the Revised Revere Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Board at a Regular meeting on March 8, 2016, subsequent to a public hearing held on March 8, 2016, voted to favorably to recommend the adoption of the proposed floodplain zoning amendments and FEMA Floodplain maps. Further, that these floodplain amendments are to be adopted by the City Council by March 16, 2016 in order for the City of Revere to maintain its status in the National Flood Insurance Program and be eligible for FEMA flood insurance assistance.

Ordered received and made part of CZ-16-02.

CZ-16-01

16-028 9. Comm. from the Planning Board relative to its recommendations for an ordinance further amending the zoning ordinances of the City of Revere relative to kennels.

Pursuant to Section 17.56.050 of the Revised Revere Zoning Ordinance, the Planning Board at a regular meeting held on March 8, 2016, subsequent to a public hearing held on February 23, 2016 voted to favorably recommend the adoption of Section 1. Title 17, Chapter 17.08 to create the following new definition for a “Kennel.”

Kennel means “a pack or collection of dogs on a single premise, including a commercial boarding or training kennel, commercial breeder kennel, domestic charitable corporation kennel, personal kennel or veterinary kennel as defined by Massachusetts General Law c. 140 sections 136A to 137A as amended by Chapter 193 of the Legislative Acts of 2012 An Act Further Regulating Animal Control.”

The Board does not favorably recommend the adoption of Section 2 and Section 3 which would allow a kennel within the RB District by Special Permit.

Ordered received and made part of CZ-16-01.

Motions

16-051 10. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councilor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of implementing a tiered water and sewer rate as is utilized in the city of Malden.

16-052 11. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councilor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to investigate the feasibility of a 10% homeowner tax credit as was proposed during the last Mayoral election.

16-053 12. Ordered on a Motion presented by Councillor Morabito and McKenna: That the City Council write a letter to our State Delegation in support of H3110, H3111, H3112, and H3113 all relative to discounting tolls for Revere residents. (Councillor Zambuto absent from discussion)

16-054 13. Ordered on a Motion submitted by Councillors McKenna, Morabito and Powers: That the Mayor request MassDOT to repair the traffic light sensor on Harris Street. The sensor is not being activated properly when vehicles are waiting at the light and traffic begins to back up into the neighborhood after missed cycles. (Councillor Zambuto absent from discussion).

16-055 14. Motion presented by Councillor Rotondo: That the Mayor be requested to provide the City Council with an update on funds remaining in the FY2016 budget of the following accounts and what remains in free cash. Further, the update shall include a list of departments that are "burning through overtime". **PARKS & RECREATION SERVICES, LIBRARY, SOLICITORS, FINANCE DEPARTMENT - DIRECTOR OF FINANCE/ COLLECTOR & TREASURER, ENGINEERING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS, VETERANS' AFFAIRS, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, INSPECTIONAL SERVICES: WEIGHTS & MEASURES DIVISION, RETIREMENT & PENSION, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, POLICE DEPARTMENT, FIRE DEPARTMENT, and MAYOR'S OFFICE.**

Ordered referred to Ways and Means.

16-56 15. Ordered on an oral Motion presented by Councillor Novoselsky: That Certificates of Commendation be awarded to RHS Girl's Basketball Team for their outstanding season.

Ordered on a Motion of Councillor Haas: That the City Council now stands adjourned to meet on Monday March 28, 2016 at 6:00 P.M.

Ordered adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Attest:

**Ashley E. Melnik
City Clerk**