

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, EILEEN DONDERO FOLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PORTSMOUTH, NH  
DATE: MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025 TIME: 7:00PM

*With the exception of the site visit, members of the public also have the option to join the meeting over Zoom, a unique meeting ID and password will be provided once you register. To register, click on the link below or copy and paste this into your web browser*  
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**5:00PM - ANTICIPATED NON-PUBLIC SESSION IS BEING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM A PRIOR TO AND FOLLOWING THE SITE VISIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RSA 91-A:3 II (a) (I)**

**5:30PM – OPENING OF HEARING & SITE VISIT REGARDING HIGHWAY LAYOUT OF COAKLEY ROAD EXTENSION (See Separate Agenda Attached)**  
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## AGENDA

- I. WORK SESSION
- II. PUBLIC DIALOGUE SESSION [when applicable – every other regularly scheduled meeting]
- III. CALL TO ORDER [7:00 p.m. or thereafter]
- IV. ROLL CALL
- V. INVOCATION
- VI. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- VII. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES
- VIII. RECOGNITIONS AND VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE REPORTS
  1. Public Art Review Committee (PARC) Recommendations:
    - Remembering Connie Bean Request
    - Nebi Sculpture for Bohenko Gateway Park
- IX. PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION *(This session shall not exceed 45 minutes) – (participation may be in person or via Zoom)*
- X. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND VOTE ON ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS
  - A. REOPEN PUBLIC HEARING – Highway Layout of Coakley Road Extension ***(Sample motion – move to approve the Resolution regarding public necessity to acquire property for the layout of the Coakley Road Extension as drafted) (Please refer to the Coakley Road Extension meeting packet for supporting documentation)***
  - B. *(The Public Hearing on the below referenced Resolution will take place at the August 4, 2025 City Council meeting with the Resolutions for Projects to Begin in FY26)* Resolution Authorizing a Bond Issue and/or Notes of the City under the Municipal Finance Act of up to Four Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$4,150,000.00) For Costs Related To:

- School Facilities Capital Improvements
- Elementary Schools Upgrade
- Elementary Schools Playground Upgrade

- C. PUBLIC HEARING and Second Reading of Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Vehicles, Traffic and Parking, Article III, Traffic Ordinance, Section 7.324: Time Limited Free Parking for Residents and Special Military License Plates, (A) Free Fifteen Minute Parking for Residents, and (B) Free Three Hour Parking for Special Military License Plates

- **PRESENTATION**
- **CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS**
- **PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS**
- **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS**

*(Sample motion – move to pass second reading and hold third and final reading at the August 4, 2025, City Council meeting)*

- D. PUBLIC HEARING and Second Reading of Ordinance regarding Chapter 10, Zoning Ordinance, City of Portsmouth Zoning Map be amended as follows: Rezone Parcels Described on the City Tax Map 125 Lot 16; Tax Map 138 Lot 61; Tax Map 138 Lot 62; and a portion of Tax Map 138 Lot 63 from Character District 5 (CD5) to Character District 4 (CD4); to Rezone a portion of Tax Map 138 Lot 63 from Character District 5 (CD5) to Character District L1 (CD4-L1); to change the Boundary of the North End Incentive Overlay District (NEIOD) to remove City Tax Map 138 Lot 61, Tax Map 138 Lot 60-3, and Tax Map 164 Lot 4 from the NEIOD and to Amend the Boundary of the Downtown Overlay District (DOD) to align with the amended NEIOD by removing City Tax Map 164 Lot 4, Tax Map 138 Lot 61, Tax Map 138 Lot 60-3 and a portion of Tax Map 138 Lot 63 from the DOD; to amend the Building Height Map from 2-4 stories (50 Feet) to 2-3 stories (40 feet) for parcels along Bridge Street to Foundry Place and along Hill Street for City Tax Map 125 Lot 16, Tax Map 138 Lot 62 and Tax Map 125 Lot 14 and to add a Building Height Standard of 2-3 stories (40 feet) along Rock Street to the Cul-De-Sac at Foundry Place for City Tax Map 138 Lot 63, Tax Map 138 Lot 60-2, and Tax Map 138 Lot 60-3. The Zoning Maps to be amended are referenced in the City's Zoning Ordinance at Chapter 10, Article 4, Zoning and District Use Regulations, Section 10.421, District Location and Boundaries, Section 10.421.10 and Chapter 10, Article 5A, Character Based Zoning, Section 10.5A21.10, Content of Regulation Plan, Map 10.5A21A (Character Districts and Civic Districts) and Map 10.5A21B (Building Height Standards), Collectively the "Zoning Maps"

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**XI. CITY MANAGER'S ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION**

**A. CITY MANAGER CONARD**

**City Manager's Items Which Require Action:**

1. Acceptance and Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Association of Portsmouth School Administrators
2. Acceptance and Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Portsmouth Association of Clerical Employees
3. Acceptance and Approval of Tentative Agreement with the Portsmouth Supervisory Management Alliance

**XII. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Letter from Ben VanCamp, The Chamber Collaborative of Greater Portsmouth, requesting the use of Bohenko Gateway Park for street.*life!* 2025 on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, with a rain date of Thursday, August 14, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. ***(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act)***
- B. Letter from Bryan Curley, Veterans Count, requesting permission to hold the “All-American Fair” on Friday, September 5, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Portsmouth International Airport at Pease ***(Anticipated action – move to refer to the City Manager with Authority to Act)***

**XIII. PRESENTATIONS AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Presentation on South Mill Pond Playground Project Design from Ultiplay Parks & Playgrounds – Todd Henley, Recreation Director and Chris Martin, Ultiplay
- B. E-mail Correspondence ***(Sample motion – move to accept and place on file)***
- C. Letter from Elizabeth Bratter regarding rezone request under public hearings ***(Sample motion – move to accept and place on file)***

**XIV. MAYOR McEACHERN**

*(There are no items under this section of the agenda this evening)*

**XV. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**A. COUNCILOR BAGLEY**

1. Request for First Reading of the Annual Omnibus Ordinance (***Sample motion – move to schedule first reading of the Annual Omnibus Ordinance for the August 4, 2025 City Council meeting***)
2. \*2026 Fireworks Display (***Sample motion – move to schedule a first reading at the August 4, 2025, City Council meeting for a supplemental appropriation of up to \$50,000.00 to support a fireworks display and event in celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States in July 2026 if grants and donations are not procured. Also, to send a letter asking surrounding municipalities if they would be willing to contribute to the celebration***)

**XVI. APPROVAL OF GRANTS/DONATIONS**

**XVII. CITY MANAGER'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. \*Public Safety Update – Police Chief Newport
2. Proposed Timeline for Fall 2025 CIP Process

**XVIII. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS INCLUDING BUSINESS REMAINING UNFINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING**

**XIX. ADJOURNMENT [at 10:30 p.m. or earlier]**

*\*Indicates verbal report with no attachments*

**KELLI L. BARNABY, MMC/CNHMC  
CITY CLERK**