



Portsmouth, NH City Council

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Municipal Complex, 1 Junkins Avenue
Portsmouth, NH

May 18, 2026 at 7:00 pm

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Anticipated Non-Public Session

5:30 p.m. – Anticipated Non-Public Session is being held in Conference Room A in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II (a), (e), and (l)

Agenda

1. **Work Session (when applicable)**
2. **Public Dialogue Session (when applicable)**
3. **Call to Order (7:00 pm or thereafter)**
4. **Roll Call**
5. **Invocation**
6. **Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Acceptance of Minutes**
 - A. Minutes and Actions of the May 4, 2026, City Council meeting (***Sample motion – move to accept and approve the minutes of the May 4, 2026, City Council meeting***)
8. **Recognitions and Volunteer Committee Reports**
 - A. *Proclamation – Portsmouth Poet Laureate (Passing of the Quill)
 - B. Proclamation – Women’s Health Month (State Representative Jennifer Mandelbaum to accept)

9. Public Comment Session

- A. This session shall not exceed 45 minutes; participation may be in person or via Zoom.

10. Public Hearings and Vote On Ordinances and/or Resolutions

- A. Public Hearing on the Proposed FY27 (July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027) Budget

- ***PRESENTATION (see presentation from May 11, 2026 Work Session)**
- **CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS**
- **PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS**
- **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS (Sample motion – move to continue the Budget Public Hearing until Monday, June 8, 2026)**

(Note: Continuation of the Budget Public Hearing will be held on June 8, 2026)

- B. Public Hearing Regarding Open Enrollment Policy

- ***PRESENTATION**
- **CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS**
- **PUBLIC HEARING SPEAKERS**
- **ADDITIONAL COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND DELIBERATIONS (Sample motion – move to schedule a vote on the Open Enrollment Policy for Portsmouth School District/SAU52 at the June 8, 2026 City Council meeting)**

- C. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Parking, Article I - Parking Meters, Section 7.102, Parking Meter Rates, to establish parking rates for the Resident Access Parking Program (RAPP) Pilot

- **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 June 8, 2026 City Council meeting)**

- D. First Reading Regarding Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 5, Fire Department and Prevention Regulations, Article IX: Adopted Fire Codes (**Sample motion – move to pass first reading of the amendment to Chapter 5, Fire Department and Prevention**

Regulations, Article IX: Adopted Fire Codes, and schedule a public hearing and second reading at the June 8, 2026 City Council meeting)

11. City Manager's Items Which Require Action

- A. *Request for a Work Session on Mechanic Street Pump Station Replacement Project on June 22, 2026
- B. Renewal of International Drive Water Tank License Agreement
- C. 175 Fleet Street License and Landscape Agreement
- D. Public Art Contract
- E. South Meeting House Lease Revisions

12. Consent Agenda (*Sample motion – move to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented*)

- A. Pole License Request 63-0771
- B. Event Request by St. John's Masonic Lodge – Annual Parade Sunday June 28, 2026
- C. Active City Encumbrances Report from Peter Rice, Director of Public Works dated May 7, 2026.

13. Presentations and Written Communications

- A. Email Correspondence (*Sample motion – move to accept and place on file*)

14. Mayor McEachern

- A. Appointments to be Considered
 - Reappointment of Deidre (Dee) Forte to the Cemetery Committee
 - Reappointment of Michael Griffin to the Cemetery Committee
 - Reappointment of Sue Polidura to the Cemetery Committee
 - Reappointment of Talia Sperduto to the Conservation Commission
 - Reappointment of Barbara McMillan to the Conservation Commission
 - Appointment of Matt Dydo to the Arts and Cultural Commission
 - Appointment of Marta Hurgin to the Sustainability Committee
- B. Appointments to be Voted (*Sample motion – move to appoint the following as presented*):
 - Appointment of Tyler Garzo to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Blue Ribbon Committee

- Appointment of Ryan Harper to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Blue Ribbon Committee
- Appointment of Ken Hale to the Citywide Neighborhood Committee
- Appointment of Christian Berling to the Citywide Neighborhood Committee

15. City Council Members

- A. *Councilors Tabor, Bagley, and Moreau - May 13, 2026 Fee Schedule Study Committee Update on RAPP

16. Approval of Grants/Donations

- A. *Acceptance of Community Development Block Grant Funds - \$499,576
B. Acceptance of Senior Activity Center Luncheon Fund Donation - \$500

17. City Manager's Informational Items

- A. *Household Hazardous Waste Day Update
B. RAPP Pilot Program Policy
C. Emerging Contaminants Clean Water, State revolving Fund (CWSRF) Grant for Coakley Landfill Group (CLG)

18. Miscellaneous Business Including Business Remaining Unfinished At Previous Meeting

19. Adjournment (At 10:30 pm or earlier)

*Indicates verbal report with no attachments