



## CITY COUNCIL INAUGURAL MEETING AND SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX  
DATE: MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2026

PORTSMOUTH, NH  
TIME: 7:00PM

*The City of Portsmouth invites the public to attend the Inauguration Ceremony for the Portsmouth City Council, Fire Commission, Police Commission, and School Board in the Eileen Dondero Foley Council Chambers.*

*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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### AGENDA

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. INVOCATION**

Reverend Dr. Jerrell Riggins, New Hope Baptist Church

**IV. POSTING OF THE COLORS**

Portsmouth Fire and Police Department Honor Guards

**V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VI. STAR-SPANGLED BANNER**

Performed by Angelynne Hinson accompanied by the Portsmouth Instrumental Ensemble under Director Eric Gagnon

**VII. INAUGURAL REMARKS**

State Senator Rebecca Perkins-Kwoka

Congressman Chris Pappas

Senator Maggie Hassan

Letter read by Jennifer Kuzma on behalf of Senator Hassan

Senator Jeanne Shaheen  
Letter read by Elizabeth McKenna on behalf of Senator Shaheen

**VIII. OATH OF OFFICES**

**A. FIRE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Richard Gamester  
Commissioner Jennifer Mosher-Matthes

**B. POLICE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Buzz Scherr  
Commissioner Jay Lieberman

**C. SCHOOL BOARD**

Lisa Rapaport  
Steve Adler  
Nancy Novelline Clayburgh  
Brian French  
Jennifer Shump

**D. CITY COUNCIL**

Councilors Kate Cook, John Tabor, Rich Blalock, Andrew Bagley, Beth Moreau,  
Michelle Flynn, Annie Hopkins

Assistant Mayor JoAnna Kelley

Mayor Deaglan McEachern

**IX. INAUGURAL ADDRESS BY MAYOR DEAGLAN McEACHERN**

**X. BENEDICTION**

Reverend Dr. Jerrell Riggins, New Hope Baptist Church

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

KELLI L. BARNABY, MMC/CNHMC  
CITY CLERK

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