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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Location: City Council Chambers, Room 219, City Hall

ANNOUNCEMENT - Any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting, or may transmit the meeting through any medium, subject to reasonable requirements of the chair as to the number, placement and operation of equipment used so as not to interfere with the conduct of the meeting. Any person intending to make such recording shall notify the Chair forthwith. All documents referenced or used during the meeting must be submitted in duplicate to the City Clerk, pursuant to the Open Meeting and Public Records Law. All documents shall become part of the official record of the meeting.

11394 – Discussion of the New City Park at the Location of the Former Maki Block.
(Submitted by Councillor George Tyros) (In the City Council 9/16/2024)

Adjournment

CITY COUNCIL OF GARDNER
Elizabeth J. Kazinskas
ELIZABETH J. KAZINSKAS
Council President

NOTICE: The listing of Agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Madam President,

Pursuit to Rule 1 of the Gardner City Council, the below signed Councillors hereby request a special meeting at the earliest possible convenience to consider a motion to initiate an investigation under Section 25 of the City Charter into potential errors concerning the construction of a City park at the corner of Graham Street and Parker Street, commonly referred to as "Maki Park".

Sincerely,



RULE 1

The City Council shall hold regular meetings on the first and third Mondays of January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, November and December and the first Mondays of July and August. Whenever a meeting falls on a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held the following night at the same time and place. All regular meetings shall be called at 7:30 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chamber in the City Hall. Special meetings of the City Council may be called by the President and shall be called at any time upon the written request therefor being made to the City Clerk by at least two members of the City Council.

From: [George Tyros](#)
To: [Elizabeth Kazinskas](#); [Jayen Kumar](#); [Titi Siriphan](#)
Cc: [Alek Dernalowicz](#)
Subject: Request for Special Meeting
Date: Tuesday, September 17, 2024 11:20:38 AM

Madam President & Madam Clerk,

Attached is a written request by myself and Councillor Dernalowicz for a special meeting of the Gardner City Council.

Thank you,
George

George Tyros (He/Him)
Councillor At-Large
Gardner, MA
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City of Gardner, Massachusetts
Office of the City Council

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CALENDAR FOR THE MEETING  
of  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER  
7:30 P.M.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**\*AMENDED**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. CALL OF THE ROLL OF COUNCILLORS**

**III. OPENING PRAYER**

**IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**V. ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPEN MEETING RECORDINGS**

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**VI. READING OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)**

September 4, 2024, Regular Meeting

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**VIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**11388** – A Resolution to Support the Administration’s request for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to take over custodianship of Route 140 from Green Street to the Winchendon Town line. *(Finance Committee) Page 10 of packet.*

**11390** – A Measure Authorizing a Five-Year Contract Period for School District Copier Printer Services. *(Finance Committee) Page 12 of packet*

**11391** – A Measure Authorizing a Five-Year Contract Period for Fire Alarm and Sprinkler Testing Services. *(Finance Committee) Page 14 of packet*

**11392** – A Communication from the Mayor providing an update on the progress at the Waterford Community Center. *Page 16 of packet*

**\*11393** – A Measure Naming the Property Located at 62 Waterford Street as the Waterford Community Center. *(Finance Committee) Page 17 of packet*

**\*11394** – Discussion of the New City Park at the Location of the Former Maki Block. *(Submitted by Councillor George Tyros)*

### **ORDERS**

**11389** – An Order Authorizing \$12,139.35 Payment of Previous Fiscal Year Bill for Public Building Utilities- Mayor’s Unclassified Account. *(Finance Committee) Page 19 of packet*

## **IX. PETITIONS, APPLICATIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.**

## **X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**11289** – An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Part 1, thereof entitled “Administrative Legislation.” *(In the City Council Referred to Finance Committee, 5/20/2024, More Time 6/3/2024, 6/17/2024, 7/1/2024, 8/5/2024, 9/4/2024) Page 21 of packet*

**11370** – An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 590, thereof entitled "Solid Waste" to change the fee for solid waste collections *(In the City Council and Ordered to First Printing 8/5/2024; More Time 9/4/2024; First Printing 9/12/2024) Page 140 of packet*

**11371** – An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 553, thereof entitled "Sewer Rates" *(In the City Council and Ordered to First Printing 8/5/2024; More Time 9/4/2024; First Printing 9/12/2024) Page 143 of packet*

**11372** – An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner, Chapter 171, thereof entitled "Personnel" to amend Schedule E- Non-union Compensation Schedule *(In the City Council and Ordered to First Printing 8/5/2024; More Time 9/4/2024; First Printing 9/12/2024) Page 146 of packet*

**11387** – A Resolution Relating to the Future of Coleman Street School. *(Submitted by Councillor Brad Heglin) (In the City Council and Referred to Finance Committee 9/4/2024) Page 151 of packet*

## **SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**11204** – An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Gardner Chapter 600, Entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 24, Entitled “Parking Prohibited on Certain Streets” – Edgell Street, from Elm Street to Lawrence Street. *(More Time 3/18/2024, 4/1/2024, 4/16/2024, 5/6/2024, 5/20/2024, 06/3/2024, 6/17/2024, 7/1/2024, 8/5/2024, 9/4/2024) Page 152 of packet*

**11349** – An Application by EcoATM LLC, for a License to Deal in Second Hand Articles at 677 Timpany Blvd-Inside Walmart *(In the City Council and Referred to Safety Committee 8/5/2024) Page 154 of packet*

**11350** – An Application by Gardner Ten Pins, Inc., for a Bowling Alley License at 560 West Broadway *(In the City Council and Referred to Safety Committee 8/5/2024) Page 162 of packet*

## **SERVICE COMMITTEE**

**11326** – A Petition by National Grid, Elm Street and Cross Street -relocate pole 150 pole approximately 15 feet. *(In the City Council and Referred to the Service Committee 8/5/2024; More Time 9/4/2024; Public Hearing Required) Page 169 of packet*

**11385** – A Measure to Grant National Grid an Easement to Install a Transformer at 95 Pleasant Street. *(In the City Council and Referred to Service Committee 9/4/2024) Page 174 of packet*

## **XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR RECONSIDERATION**

## **XII. NEW BUSINESS**

## **XIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REMARKS**

## **XIV. CLOSING PRAYER**

## **XV. ADJOURNMENT**

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Items listed on the Council Calendar are those reasonably anticipated by the Council President to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

\***Amended** – Item #11393 - A Measure Naming the Property Located at 62 Waterford Street as the Waterford Community Center; Item #11394 - "Discussion of the new city park at the location of the former Maki Block", new items that have been added to the Council Calendar.

**From:** [George Tyros](#)  
**To:** [Elizabeth Kazinskas](#); [Titi Siriphan](#)  
**Cc:** [Jayen Kumar](#)  
**Subject:** Agenda Item for Tonight 9.16.24  
**Date:** Monday, September 16, 2024 9:26:18 AM

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Good morning Madam President,

I kindly request an item to be added to the agenda for this evening:  
"Discussion of the new city park at the location of the former Maki Block"

Thank you for your consideration,  
George

*George Tyros (He/Him)*  
*Councillor At-Large*  
*Gardner, MA*  
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