

**City of Beverly
Special City Council Meeting
Public Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 25, 2021, 7:00pm**

This meeting was conducted pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021. This remote meeting was held over Google Meet and live streamed by BevCam.

Paul Guanci, City Council President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. City Clerk, Lisa Kent, took the attendance by roll call.

Members Present: Stacy Ames, Dominic Copeland, Julie Flowers, Scott Houseman, Todd Rotondo, Estelle Rand, Paul Guanci

Members Absent: Kathleen Feldman, Timothy Flaherty

Houseman led the pledge of allegiance.

Guanci made a statement about the virtual meeting being recorded by the City of Beverly and streamed by BevCam on channel 99 and BevCam's YouTube channel. He confirmed that all members present could hear and noted the remote meeting format and process.

Communications from other City Officers and Boards

Order #192-Council President-Motion to Reconsider Order #190-2021

The motion to reconsider was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (7-0).

Order #190-Community Preservation Committee Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

The motion to set the public hearing for Monday, November 8, at 7:30pm was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (7-0).

Order #193-LATE FILE-Councilor Flowers, Rand and Houseman-National Grid Electric Cable Infrastructure

The motion to accept the late file was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (7-0).

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and Committee on Public Services.

Communications from His Honor the Mayor

Order #194-LATE FILE-Beverly Regional Transmission Reliability Project N-192 Cable Replacement

Kent stated the late file was received shortly before the meeting, so it had not been time stamped, and Guanci asked if action could be taken on it.

Stephanie Williams, City Solicitor, stated whether or not to accept a late file is a City Council rule as opposed to something that is controlled by the Open Meeting Law, so it is up to the Council whether or not the Council would like to accept it as a late file. If it is asking for action to be taken, typically the Attorney General's Office recommends that you do not take action on something that is submitted as a late file and that you cannot take action if the president knows of

what the issue is. Williams stated she did not think there would be a problem to accept something as a late file, but it would be up to the Council.

The motion to accept the late file was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (7-0).

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and Committee on Public Services.

The motion to adjourn was made and seconded. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried (7-0).

Guanci reminded everyone that the next regular meeting would be November 8 and to get out and vote on November 2.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.