



# City of Concord

## City Council

### Meeting Minutes

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Monday, January 29, 2018

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers  
37 Green Street  
Concord, NH 03301

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***Non-meeting with legal counsel in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, I (b)  
to be held at 5:30 p.m.***

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Bouley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

**Present:** 14 - Councilor Candace Bouchard, Mayor Jim Bouley, Councilor Byron Champlin, Councilor Mark Coen, Councilor Allan Herschlag, Councilor Fred Keach, Councilor Linda Kenison, Councilor Jennifer Kretovic, Councilor Gail Matson, Councilor Keith Nyhan, Councilor Dan St. Hilaire, Councilor Stephen Shurtleff, Councilor Brent Todd, and Councilor Robert Werner

**Excused:** 1 - Councilor Amanda Grady Sexton

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes.

January 22, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.

**Action:** Councilor St. Hilaire moved approval of the January 22, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

4. Agenda overview by the Mayor.

5. 2018-2019 Priorities Discussion.

**Action:** Mayor Bouley distributed copies of potential 2018-2019 City Council Priorities that he had drafted based on comments/information he had received from other members of City Council in the hopes that the document he drafted would be a good starting point for members of City Council to use to discuss and establish priorities for the next two years.

Members of City Council discussed and set the following items as their top priorities and/or initiatives for 2018 - 2019; information is listed in a non-prioritized

order.

### **Calendar Year 2018 - 2019 Priorities**

1. Balanced Budget Issues for FY2019 and 2020
  - a) Collective Bargaining/Contract Negotiations
  - b) Health Insurance Costs
  - c) Capital Financing Alternatives/Storm Water Utility
  - d) Enterprise Fund Approach: Beaver Meadow Golf Course, Everett Arena & Concord Municipal Airport
2. Community-Wide Economic Development Initiatives to Expand Tax Base
  - a) Incubator Analysis/Implementation
  - b) Marketing
  - c) Retention/Attraction Strategies
  - d) Tourism Initiatives
  - e) Housing
  - f) Industrial Park Development - Whitney Road
  - g) Airport Development
3. Public Safety Work & Continued Support of Social Safety Network
  - a) Opioid/Substance Abuse  
(Including review of the traditional roles of those involved i.e., Police, Fire and Mental Health Agencies)
  - b) Community Policing
  - c) Homelessness Initiative
4. Public Information, Marketing & Communications
  - a) ERP Development/Deployment - Customer Service
  - b) Public Information Officer
  - c) Economic Development Marketing
  - d) Human Resources Outreach
  - e) Website Refresh
5. Parking, Master Plan/Implementation Measures
  - a) Realignment
  - b) Capital Infrastructure
  - c) Technology Deployment

6. Foster/Enhance Dialogue with Legislative Delegation
  - a) State Property & Leases
  - b) Legislation
7. Enhanced Community Event Opportunities
  - a) Events in the parks/fields
  - b) City-wide events/Co-sponsorships
  - c) Public Art
  - d) Creative Economy
  - e) Festival Space
8. Sustainability Initiatives
  - a) Renewable Energy/Energy Conservation Opportunities
  - b) Form Based Code
  - c) Storm water improvements/financing
  - d) Water demand/quality analysis
  - e) Smart city initiatives

**Projects:**

1. Buildings and Parks
  - a) Multi-Use Recreational Building @ White Park
  - b) Terrill Park
  - c) Penacook Library
2. Future CIP Projects
  - a) Manchester Street
  - b) Langley Parkway
  - c) Sewalls Falls/Abbott Road Intersection
  - d) Downtown Complete Streets - Side streets/Storrs Street Part II
  - e) I-93
  - f) Merrimack River Greenway Trail (MRGT)

**On-Going Initiatives:**

1. Opportunity Corridor Economic Development
  - a) South Main Street
  - b) Penacook Village
  - c) Downtown 2nd & 3rd Floor Redevelopment

d) North Central Corridor/Storrs Street Connection & South End Rail Yard

2. Citywide Multi-Generational Community Center

3. Create and Expand Partnerships

a) Recreation Opportunities

b) Economic Development Opportunities

c) Institutional/Higher Learning Agency Opportunities

4. Continue Expanded Neighborhood Street Improvement Program

After establishing the above stated goals, projects and ongoing initiatives, Councilor Kretovic moved approval of the list as amended via Council discussion. Councilor Shurtleff seconded the motion which passed with no dissenting votes.

During the Council priorities discussion, Councilor St. Hilaire brought up his concerns with the fall leaf pick-up program more specifically the reality that, because of weather, not all residents in the city benefits from the fall leaf program. After brief discussion with other members of City Council agreeing that it doesn't seem to be a program that benefits all residents, it was decided that a referral to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee to review the current program would be made.

6. Comments, Requests by Mayor, City Council .

7. Comments, Requests by the City Manager.

8. Adjournment.

**Action:** There being no further Council business, Councilor Champlin moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

*A true copy; I attest:*

*Janice Bonenfant  
City Clerk*