

AGENDA FOR THE CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 16, 2026

[IGNORE_INDENT]

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC COMMENT

REGULAR AND PENDING EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

1. June 11, 2024, September 4, 2024, and April 15, 2025 Executive Session Minutes - Reviewed and ready for partial release as of September 17, 2025
2. December 9, 2024 Finance Committee Executive Session Minutes - Reviewed and withheld in entirety as of September 17, 2025
3. From City Clerk Brenna Murphy Leary and Jeffery Anderson-Burgos-meeting minutes from June 2, 2026

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4. -- Proposed FY2027 City Budget
5. From City Clerk Brenna Murphy Leary and Admin. Assistant Jeffery Anderson-Burgos - October 7, 2025 meeting minutes
6. Vacon- Greaney- ORDER: that city council go to the first ballot to elect a treasurer at the April 21, 2026 city council meeting in accordance with our current charter. Our city council appointed Collector has indicated interest in the Treasurer/Collector position. A majority of the city council has had the opportunity to interview our Collector. This appointment would legally establish the Treasurer position & for practical purposes combines the positions, while waiting for further charter changes that will be sent to the state legislature in a home rule petition. Transition changes can happen in coordination with other ordinance changes.
7. Sullivan- Order to Increase Schedule A, Grade 17 from a minimum of \$115,000, mid of \$137,500, maximum of \$160,000 to a minimum of \$165,000, mid of \$187,500, maximum of \$210,000. Increasing this Grade will improve recruitment and attract highly qualified applicants for the position of Chief Financial Administrative Officer

COMMUNICATIONS

8. From Mayor Joshua Garcia-letter appointing Mr. Ryan Allen of 84 Meadowbrook Rd to serve as a Commissioner of Parks and Recreation. Mr. Allen will replace Mr. Henry Martinez and will finish Mr. Martinez's term; expiring June 30, 2027.
9. From Mayor Joshua Garcia-letter appointing Mr. Brian Beauregard of 31 Labrie Lane to serve as a Commissioner of the Gas and Electric. Mr. Beauregard will replace Mr. Marcos Marreor and will serve a six-year term; expiring July 1, 2032.

10. From Shawn McGoldrick of CliftonLarsonAllen LLP-City of Holyoke Cash Reconciliation Memo 6-10-26
11. Mackenzie Stadium License Agreement for Valley Blue Sox 2026
12. Mackenzie Field License Agreement for Elms College 2026
13. From Holyoke Conservation Commission-April 9, 2026 and April 23, 2026 meeting minutes
14. City of Holyoke Health Benefit Meeting Minutes March 2, 2026
15. Planning Board Notice of Decision - Special Permit, sign size increase, Florence Bank at 1490-1504 Northampton Street

PETITIONS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

16. The Committee on Ordinance to whom was referred a Special Permit Application of Riverside Cannabis for a cultivation facility at 1 Cabot Street (048-01-010). Recommended that the special permit be granted with the following conditions:
 1. That the owner of the building always pay the commercial property tax rate to the extent allowed by federal, state, and local laws for the duration of the Special Permit.
 2. That the business retains a minimum 30% Holyoke residents for non-security jobs.
 3. That the hiring preference be given to security personnel that are retired Holyoke police or are a retired member of another police department that now lives in the city of Holyoke.
 4. There shall be no marijuana consumption allowed on site.
 5. That the hours of operation be set according to City ordinances.
 6. That the applicant must abide by Massachusetts General Laws and guidance's from the Cannabis Control Commission.
 7. That the petitioner/applicant shall conform with city and state health laws, rules, and regulations, including odor nuisance controls, for the duration of the permit.
 8. That if substantial progress has not occurred within 2 years of issuance of the Special Permit, an extension shall be required.
17. The Committee on Ordinance to whom was referred an order that the Holyoke Zoning Ordinance be amended to add a definition of "Data Center" as a use, and to clarify that this use is not allowable in any zoning district in the city. Recommended that the order, as amended, be adopted.
18. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWO THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$2,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 16932-52100 ENERGY- GAS/OIL/ELECTRIC | \$2,000.00 |
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TOTAL \$2,000.00

TO:

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| 16931-51300 OVERTIME | \$2,000.00 |
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TOTAL \$2,000.00

Recommended that the order be adopted.

19. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$25,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 8815-10400 CANNABIS STABILIZATION | \$25,000.00 |
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TOTAL \$25,000.00

TO:

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| 19442-53003 SOLICITOR LEGAL SERVICES | \$25,000.00 |
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TOTAL \$25,000.00

Recommended that the order be adopted.

20. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND 00/100 Dollars (\$31,500.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 15411-51105 PAY-VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR | \$13,000.00 |
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| 15411-51106 PAY-PART TIME CUSTODIAN | 14,500.00 |
| 15411-51203 PAY-DRIVER | 4,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$31,500.00 |

TO:

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| 15411-51102 PAY-NUTRITIONAL DIRECTOR | \$ 1,000.00 |
| 15411-51104 PAY-UTILITY PERSON | 1,000.00 |
| 15411-51300 PAY-OVERTIME | 1,500.00 |
| 15412-52100 ENERGY-GAS/OIL/ELECTRIC | 25,000.00 |
| 15412-52300 WATER & SEWER | 1,500.00 |
| 15412-53010 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES | 500.00 |
| 14102-54800 MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL | 1,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$31,500.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

21. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **FIFTEEN THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$15,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 16911-51103 PAY-CITY HISTORIAN | \$15,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$15,000.00 |

TO:

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| 16912-52100 ENERGY-GAS/OIL/ELECTRIC | \$10,000.00 |
| 16912-52420 R & M-OTHER | 5,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$15,000.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

22. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND 00/100 Dollars (\$68,600.00)** as follows:

FROM

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|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 19161-51999 F.I.C.A.-MEDICARE | \$65,000.00 |
| 11451-51132 PAY-PAYROLL SPECIALIST | 3,600.00 |
| | TOTAL \$68,600.00 |

TO:

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| 11452-53420 POSTAGE | \$68,600.00 |
| | TOTAL \$68,600.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

23. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **FIVE HUNDRED AND 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00)** as follows:

FROM

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| 11451-51132 PAY-PAYROLL SPECIALIST | \$500.00 |
| | TOTAL \$500.00 |

TO:

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| 11451-51300 OVERTIME | \$500.00 |
| | TOTAL \$500.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

24. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$25,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 19161-51999 F.I.C.A.-MEDICARE | \$25,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$25,000.00 |

TO:

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| 11452-53050 LAND COURT FILINGS | \$20,000.00 |
| 11452-53055 REGISTER OF DEEDS FILINGS | 5,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$25,000.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

25. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWENTY THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE AND 79/100 Dollars (\$20,389.79)**as follows:

FROM

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| 14261-51102 PAY-MOTOR EQUIP REPAIRMAN | \$20,389.79 |
| | TOTAL \$20,389.79 |

TO:

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| 14262-54800 MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL | \$18,646.32 |
| 14262-52410 R & M VEHICLES | 1,743.47 |
| | TOTAL \$20,389.79 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

26. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **FIVE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 02/100 Dollars (\$5,866.02)** as follows:

FROM

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| 14211-51103 PAY-OFFICE MANAGER | \$5,866.02 |
| | TOTAL \$5,866.02 |

TO:

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| 14212-55830 UNIFORMS RENTAL SERVICE | \$4,721.02 |
| 14212-57300 DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS | 1,145.00 |
| | TOTAL \$5,866.02 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

27. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **ELEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX AND 00/100 Dollars (\$11,436.00)** as follows:

FROM

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| 14251-51102 PAY-HOISTING EQUIPMENT OPER | \$11,436.00 |
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| TOTAL \$11,436.00 |
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| 14222-52112 ENERGY-TRAIN STATION | \$ 458.30 |
| 14222-52502 R & M-CITY HALL | 196.44 |
| 14222-52503 R & M-CITY HALL ANNEX | 3,066.94 |
| 14222-52510 R & M-CENTRAL FIRE STA'N | 2,092.49 |
| 14222-52511 R & M-ELMWOOD FIRE STA'N | 3,563.24 |
| 14222-52512 R & M-HIGHLAND FIRE STA'N | 1,403.71 |
| 14222-52514 R & M-HOLYOKE FIRE STA | 654.88 |
| | TOTAL \$11,436.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

28. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY-SIX AND 99/100 Dollars (\$31,646.99)** as follows:

FROM

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| 16501-51109 PAY-PARKS MAINTENANCE MAN | \$31,646.99 |
| | TOTAL \$31,646.99 |

TO:

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| 16502-52100 ENERGY-GAS/OIL/ELECTRIC | \$ 6,941.93 |
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| 16502-52300 WATER & SEWER | 18,739.90 |
| 16502-54800 SUPPLIES-OTHER | 5,965.16 |
| | TOTAL \$31,646.99 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

29. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **EIGHTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-ONE AND 42/100 Dollars (\$18,381.42)** as follows:

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| 14801-51101 PAY-PARKING CONTROL OFFIC | \$18,381.42 |
| | TOTAL \$18,381.42 |

TO:

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| 14802-52100 ENERGY-DWIGHT | \$ 2,900.82 |
| 14802-52101 ENERGY-SUFFOLK | 2,882.15 |
| 14222-52509 R & M-POLICE STATION | 12,598.45 |
| | TOTAL \$18,381.42 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

30. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY-TWO AND 65/100 Dollars (\$7,692.65)** as follows:

FROM

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| 14301-51102 PAY-HEAVY MOTOR EQUIP OP | \$7,692.65 |
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| TOTAL \$7,692.65 |
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| 14301-51321 SPECIAL EVENTS OVERTIME | \$7,692.65 |
| TOTAL \$7,692.65 | |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

31. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWENTY THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 14251-51102 PAY-HOISTING EQUIPMENT OPER | \$20,000.00 |
| TOTAL \$20,000.00 | |

TO

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| 14252-52600 R & M-STREETS & FIXTURES | \$20,000.00 |
| TOTAL \$20,000.00 | |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

32. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTEEN AND 08/100 Dollars (\$1,417.08)**as follows:

FROM

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| 14261-51102 PAY-MOTOR EQUIP REPAIRMAN | \$1,417.08 |
| TOTAL \$1,417.08 | |

TO:

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| 14261-51300 OVERTIME | \$1,417.08 |
| | TOTAL \$1,417.08 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

33. The Committee on Finance to whom was referred an order that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **ELEVEN THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$11,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 14101-51105 PAY-SR CIVIL ENGINEER | \$11,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$11,000.00 |

TO:

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| 14102-53010 PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING | \$11,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$11,000.00 |

Recommended that the order be adopted.

34. The Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred an order Invite Tapestry Health to an upcoming Public Safety meeting for a conversation highlighting the work that they are doing in Holyoke, specifically around harm reduction.
Recommended that the order has been complied with.
35. The Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred an order that the Ordinance Committee meet asap to change the City of Holyoke Zoning Ordinance, Section 4.0 Use Regulations; 4.1 General., Appendix A, Zoning; 6.5 Performance Standards so that the Air Riad Siren located at 109 Lyman Street in Holyoke, Massachusetts be allowed to continue to operate every Friday at 12 pm.
Recommended that the order has been complied with.
36. The Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred a communication From Jenee King, Holyoke resident, letter regarding Council vote on air raid siren
Recommended that the order has been complied with.

37. The Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred an order Request an update from City Engineer and DPW regarding plan and timetable for traffic calming initiatives on Laurel Street, given ongoing and longstanding concerns about safety and severity of accidents, why speed humps are not suitable for the roadway despite constituent request, impacted line-of-sight issues at Willow and Laurel and Brown Ave., and increased enforcement from HPD for speeding and failure to stop at stop signs. Recommended that the order has been complied with.
38. -- The Committee on Public Safety to whom was referred an order Parks dept please install a motion sensor system and/or improved camera system and/or improved security plan at the Pouliot pool for use when the pool is in season. After hours security needs to be dramatically improved. Please let City Council and Mayor know if funding is required.
Recommended that the order has been complied with.
39. The Committee on Development and Governmental Relations to whom was referred a Special Permit Application of Alan Fini for the creation of a Fini family cemetery at 2 Fini Road (179-00-003) per 9.3.
Awaiting disposition
40. The Committee on Development and Governmental Relations to whom was referred an order that the Council approves the attached License Agreement between the city and Holyoke Housing Authority for the installation of a Valley Bike station.
Awaiting disposition
41. The Committee on Development and Governmental Relations to whom was referred an order the City Council that the City Council declare its support for the attached resolution. "RESOLUTION URGING SUPPORT FOR RENT STABILIZATION TO PROTECT TENANTS AND NEIGHBORHOODS"
Awaiting disposition
42. The Committee on Charter and Rules to whom was referred an order that sections 13 and 24 of the Holyoke Charter be amended as necessary to conform to any changes to Section 22, and to provide that except where otherwise specified by the Charter or by state law, every ordinance shall be considered as adopted by final action by vote of a simple majority of all members of the city council, voting in a recorded roll-call vote.
Recommended that the order be adopted.
43. The Committee on Charter and Rules to whom was referred an order that Council Rule 8(L) be amended to conform to the Council's practice with respect to approval of amendments to said Rules; and further ordered that the Council take such measures as are necessary to affirm that Rules amendments adopted in the past without strict compliance with Rule 8(L) as currently worded shall be deemed to have been validly adopted.
Recommended that the order be adopted.
44. The Committee on Charter and Rules to whom was referred an order that the Law Department and City Council review Section 22 of the Holyoke Charter to consider amendments to clarify its language, and to examine whether provisions therein related to the \$200 threshold for applicability, and for voting procedure and thresholds, should

be revised or eliminated.

Recommended that the order be adopted.

45. The Committee on Charter and Rules to whom was referred an order that the City Solicitor advise the Council as to under what circumstances, if any, a person wishing to participate in public comment, or to speak at a public hearing, is obliged to give their name and address for the record, and what the legal basis for any such requirement would be. The question arises because contrary to the Council's general understanding, there appears to be no such requirement set forth in the Council's current Rules, and there has been contention over the issue that should be resolved. Recommended that the order has been complied with.
46. The Committee on Charter and Rules to whom was referred an order that the City Council consider a rule addition to to RULE 6C (DECORUM/SPEAKING) adding the following words as a second paragraph:
"No Councilor shall speak more than 4 minutes during debate. The President/and or the City Council Administrative Assistant shall keep track of the minutes. A (1) one minute reminder shall be given at the 3 minute mark during debate."
Recommended that the order be given a leave to withdraw.

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

47. Devine, Thalheimer- ORDERED: That the City Council adopt MGL ch33, section 59 Municipal adoption of paid military leave. Please forward to Ordinance requesting that this important legislation be taken up in the Ordinance Committee as soon as legally possible.
48. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND 00/100 Dollars (\$2,600.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 11751-51223 PAY-DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST | \$2,600.00 |
| | TOTAL \$2,600.00 |

TO

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| 11751-51300 PAY-OVERTIME | \$2,600.00 |
| | TOTAL \$2,600.00 |

49. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE AND 16/100 Dollars (\$39,251.16)**as follows:

FROM

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|---|-------------------|
| 14301-51102 PAY-HEAVY MOTOR EQUIP OP | \$16,200.00 |
| 14301-51103 PAY-LABORER | 23,051.16 |
| | TOTAL \$39,251.16 |

TO:

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| 14302-52902 RECYCLING CONTRACT | \$16,200.00 |
| 14302-54800 MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL | 23,051.16 |
| | TOTAL \$39,251.16 |

50. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TEN THOUSAND AND 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00)**as follows:

FROM

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| 14251-51104 PAY-HEAVY M.E.O. | \$ 5,000.00 |
| 14251-51106 PAY-PROP MAINT & DEMO WORKER | 5,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$10,000.00 |

TO:

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| 14251-51300 PAY-OVERTIME | \$10,000.00 |
| | TOTAL \$10,000.00 |

51. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **SEVENTEEN THOUSAND NINETY-SIX AND 69/100 Dollars (\$17,096.69)**as follows:

FROM

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| 16501-51109 PAY-PARKS MAINTENANCE MAN | \$17,096.69 |
| | TOTAL \$17,096.69 |

TO:

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| 12941-51101 PAY-FORESTER | \$ 235.54 |
| 12941-51300 PAY-OVERTIME | 16,861.15 |
| | TOTAL \$17,096.69 |

52. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY AND 96/100 Dollars (\$23,680.96)**as follows:

FROM

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|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 11381-51102 PAY-ASSISTANT C.P.O. | \$23,680.96 |
| | TOTAL \$23,680.96 |

TO:

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| 19131-51999 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION | \$23,680.96 |
| | TOTAL \$23,680.96 |

53. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE AND 93/100 Dollars (\$39,739.93)**as follows:

FROM

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| 11351-51103 PAY-PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANT | \$37,347.79 |
| 11381-51102 PAY- ASSISTANT C.P.O | 2,392.14 |
| TOTAL | \$39,739.93 |

TO:

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| 19121-51997 IRP LEAVE TIME BUYBACKS | \$39,739.93 |
| TOTAL | \$39,739.93 |

54. DEVINE - Ordered, that there be and is hereby appropriated by transfer in the fiscal year 2026, **SIXTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT AND 75/100 Dollars (\$16,358.75)**as follows:

FROM

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| 11511-51103 PAY-ASSOCIATE SOLICITOR | \$16,358.75 |
| TOTAL | \$16,358.75 |

TO:

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| 19121-51997 IRP LEAVE TIME BUYBACKS | \$16,358.75 |
| TOTAL | \$16,358.75 |

55. Devine-Ordered, that the amount of two million and two hundred-thousand dollars (\$2,200,000) is appropriated for the purpose of financing the purchase and equipping of vehicles, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto, as set forth in Exhibit A hereto. To meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the

Mayor is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 or any other enabling authority.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Mayor is authorized to contract for and expend any state aid available for the project; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all of the bonds or notes authorized to be issued pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as may be required for such purposes.

FURTHER ORDERED: That there shall be no change in the purpose of this bond authorization without prior vote of approval by the Holyoke City Council

56. Devine-Ordered, that in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Sec. 53A, the City Council hereby accepts the provisions of the **“MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION, \$103,000.00, EMERGENCY NO MATCH”** grant, and authorizes the establishment of a Fund or other method appropriate for the accounting of the receipts and expenditures of all resources associated with the administration of said grant.

Sec 2-509 - Grant Reporting

Any city department, of which has received grant funding by approval of the city council pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, or any other authorizing criteria, shall within a reasonable period of time, but no later than 60 days from the conclusion of said grant, generate a detailed report which outlines the planned outcomes with the documented actual results. Said report shall be submitted to the city clerk for addition to the city council's next agenda.

57. Devine-Ordered, that the amount of eighteen million and two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$18,225,000) is appropriated for the purpose of financing the demolition, remodeling, reconstruction, engineering, construction, equipping or re-equipping of various city facilities, roads, and sidewalks, including the payment of costs incidental or related thereto, as set forth in Exhibit A hereto. To meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 7 or any other enabling authority.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Mayor is authorized to contract for and expend any state aid available for the project; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out these projects.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all of the bonds or notes authorized to be issued pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as may be required for such purposes.

FURTHER ORDERED: That there shall be no change in the purpose of this bond authorization without prior vote of approval by the Holyoke City Council.

58. Magrath-Smith and Murphy-Romboletti: Ordered that the City Council President establish by ordinance a temporary ad-hoc committee to expire/sunset by June 30, 2027 to study and provide an analysis on the potential impacts of commercial data center development in Holyoke, including electrical demand, water consumption,

environmental impacts, tax revenue, economic development opportunities, zoning considerations, public safety concerns, and best practices adopted by other municipalities, and to make recommendations to the City Council regarding potential zoning and permitting requirements.

This Ad-Hoc Committee shall include one member from:

Holyoke Gas and Electric

Holyoke Water Works or Member of Water Commission

Massachusetts Green High-Performing Computing Center

Planning Board

Conservation Commission

Office of Planning and Development

Community Member or Resident appointed by the City Council President

City Council

59. Murphy-Romboletti- Ordered, that Rule 1 of the City Council be suspended for the purpose of the City Council going on Summer Recess and that the July 7, July 21 and August 18, 2026 meetings be canceled.
60. Panitch, Thalheimer: Ordered, that Section 2.0 entitled "Definitions" of the Holyoke Zoning Ordinance be amended to read: Warehouse: A building used primarily for the storage of goods and materials, for distribution, but not for sale on the premises.
61. Panitch, Thalheimer, Purcell: ORDERED, that the Council amend its rules to allow the Council President to sit down during all Council meetings, and to provide the President with a chair of appropriate height to see over the podium. Receive, send to Charter & Rules.
62. Rivera, J.- Ordered that the DPW install a Handicap sign at 76 Maple St. for Barbara McCarter #PL9210193
63. Thalheimer -- Invite the Holyoke Safe Neighborhood Initiative to an upcoming Public Safety meeting for a conversation highlighting the work that they are doing in Holyoke to create safe, healthy & economically viable neighborhoods through information sharing, identifying at-risk youth, referrals and community efforts. Send to Public Safety.
64. Thalheimer -- Invite Roca Holyoke to an upcoming Public Safety meeting for a conversation highlighting the work that they are doing in Holyoke to disrupt violence by engaging young people, police, and systems to heal trauma, find hope, and drive change. Send to Public Safety.
65. Vacon- ORDER: that our internal auditor provides an audit plan, including scheduled updates to the city council, as soon as possible but no later than August 31, 2026 to be reviewed, accepted & possibly modified by the city council. (This will usually be provided by the end of March each year.)
Note: Under the policy direction of the Mayor the Director of Internal Audit shall function with considerable independence and be directly accountable for his or her actions.
66. Vacon-ORDER: That the current MGL c33 section 59 be adopted that provides military leave benefits for city employees.

67. Vacon- ORDER: withdraw the 41 proposed zoning amendments described in a letter dated 2/12/26 from Planning Board Chair Niles, close the public hearings for the planning board & city council ordinance committee and resubmit the changes as separate amendments including the rationale documented in minutes of the Planning Board. Schedule new public hearings after the master plan is received and new zone amendments are proposed separately. Proper notice will include timely minutes documenting votes of the planning board.
68. Anderson-Burgos - Ordered that the City Council issue a proclamation to the headliner of this year's PrideFest on June 27th, RuPaul's Drag Race contestant, Joslyn Fox.

LATE FILED ORDERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Addendum:

Per City Council rule 2B, meeting shall end by 10 PM unless an extension is approved by a two-thirds majority of those present. If any items remain, those items will be added to the beginning of the next regular meeting.

The listing of matters 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

City Clerk

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