

# Agenda

Regular Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 21, 2022

Council Chambers

6:30 p.m. Caucus – 7:00 p.m. Meeting

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## **Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.**

**NB: Meeting being recorded.**

**Roll Call: Council:** Muflahi, Anderson, Moretti, Surdyke, Marrano  
**Dept. Heads:** Law, Development, Public Works, Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation, PIO

## **Hearings from Citizens:**

**Approval of Minutes:** of the regular meeting of June 6, 2022.

## **Departmental Reports:**

1. **City Treasurer** – Cash Receipts Totals for May, 2022.
2. **City Clerk** – Monthly Revenue Report for May, 2022.
3. **City Comptroller** –A/P Check Listing # 38, dated May 31, 2022.
4. **City Comptroller** –A/P Check Listing # 39, dated June 3, 2022.
5. **City Comptroller** –A/P Check Listing # 40, dated June 10, 2022.

## **Communications from the Council:**

6. **Council President Marrano** – Requests the City Council consider and possibly implement the invocation of Section 5-34 of the City Charter, “Enforcement of decorum; designation, duties of Sergeant –at-Arms.”

## **Communications from Division/Department Heads:**

7. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council direct the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the refurbishment of three (3) basketball courts located at Ludel, Victory and Bethlehem Park playgrounds.
8. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve the use of Veterans Stadium by the Lackawanna Fire Department Benevolent Association to host their 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Firefighter’s Ball on Saturday, August 6, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Details attached, including proof of insurance.
9. **Director of Recreation** – Requests the City Council approve LA Sports Club hosting a Chicken BBQ Fundraiser during their scheduled Flag Football game (previously approved) at Veterans Stadium on Sunday, July 17, 2022. Approval is contingent upon the caterer, Wendel’s BBQ, providing proof of insurance.
10. **Director of Public Safety** – Requests the City Council consider placing a ninety (90) day moratorium on any NEW business registration involving the use of properties in our City for the purpose of renting halls for gatherings, parties, receptions, etc.
11. **City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve the attached ordinance transferring \$160,000.00 in grant awards for Fire Department PPE from the General Fund to the Capital Fund.
  - (A) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by increasing appropriations for the Capital Project entitled “Fire Protective Equipment 2022 (DASNY)” by \$160,000.00,

12. **City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve the attached ordinance transferring \$235,000.00 in grant awards for Fire Training Facility from the General Fund to the Capital Fund.
- (A) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by increasing appropriations for the Capital Project entitled “Fire Training Facility 2022 (DASNY)” by \$235,000.00.
13. **City Comptroller** – Requests the City Council approve the attached ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by adding Budget Code A.3410.0267 Fire Station Alterations, and adding \$15,000.00 to Budget Code A.3410.0267 Fire Station Alterations.
- (A) An ordinance amending the 2021-2022 Budget Ordinance adopted May 18, 2021 by adding Budget Code A.3410.0267 Fire Station Alterations, adding \$15,000.00 to Budget Code A.3410.0267 Fire Station Alterations, and reducing Budget Code A.1620.0443 Buildings: Repairs and Replacements by \$15,000.00.
14. **City Attorney** – Requests the City Council approve the attached ordinance regarding Parking on Josie Street.
- (A) An ordinance amending Chapter 215, Traffic and Vehicles, of the City of Lackawanna Municipal Code, specifically Chapter 215.43:  
102. Josie Drive  
On the east and west side:  
No parking at any time on the east or west side of Josie drive between Martin Road and Shannon Drive Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

#### **Communications from Citizens:**

15. **Ian Schroeder, resident** – Submits a communication regarding concerns from an adjacent property on Cooke Street.
16. **John Ingram, resident** – Submits questions to the City Council:
- 1) City intentions for a traffic signal light at Ridge Road at Steelawanna Avenue.
  - 2) Requesting update for installation speed bumps on Gates Avenue.
  - 3) Requests update regarding if the City of Lackawanna will follow Buffalo’s lead regarding the resale of donated items in an emergency.
  - 4) Clarification of possible Council action regarding public speaking at Council meetings.
17. **Erika Schoene, resident** – Requests the City Council consider a law similar to that of NY CLSRPAPL 711 #6.
18. **Kimberly Smith, resident** – Requests the City Council approve the closing of Church Street between Gates and Wasson between noon and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 2, 2022 for the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Kick off the Summer Fest.

#### **Tabled Items:**

#### **Old Business:**

- 1) Update on proposed legislation addressing video conferencing for Council Members.
- 2) Mandatory Council response to State audit addressing “Garbage User Fees.”

#### **Adjournment:**

Persons wishing to speak before the City Council shall provide their name, address and limit their comments to three (3) minutes on agenda items only. Please direct any comments to the Council President. To place an item on the agenda, persons shall submit their correspondence to the City Clerk’s Office in a signed letter or via email ([cityclerk@lackny.com](mailto:cityclerk@lackny.com)) with **full address and phone number contained therein**, and must be received PRIOR to 12:00 noon on the Wednesday preceding the meeting. The City Council has the final approval of all agenda items. If attending the meeting in person, please silence your cell phones and gentlemen remove your hats. Commentary and actions shall always be respectful of the City Council, Department Heads and fellow citizens or you will be escorted from Chambers.