



City Council Priority Setting Session
Minutes
February 3, 2014
Beaver Meadow Golf Course Club House
6:00 p.m.

1. Mayor Bouley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll call. Councilors Bennett, Bouchard, Mayor Bouley, Councilors Champlin, Coen, Grady Sexton, Herschlag, Keach, Matson, McClure, Nyhan, St. Hilaire, Shurtleff, Todd and Werner were present.
3. Deputy City Manager – Development, Carlos Baia, provided members of City Council with a status report on the Main Street Complete Streets Project.
4. Mayor Bouley distributed copies of his proposed City Council committee appointments. Councilor Champlin moved to amend the proposed appointments, removing Councilor Herschlag from the Joint City School Committee. The motion was duly seconded. Council Committee appointments were unanimously approved with no additional amendments.
5. Discussion on priorities for 2014-2015.

Action: Members of City Council discussed and set the following items as their top priorities and/or initiatives for 2014 – 2015; information is listed in a non-prioritized order.

Calendar Year 2014 – 2015 Priorities

Responsible fiscal management is the guiding principal pertaining to all priorities listed below:

1. Balanced Budget Issues: Fiscal Year 2015 & 2016 (Collective Bargaining/Contract Negotiations, Grant Writing & Health Insurance Costs)
2. Community Wide Economic Development Initiatives to Expand Tax Base
3. Public Information, Marketing & Communications
4. Parking Master Plan/Implementation Measures

Projects:

1. Main Street Complete Streets Project
2. City-Wide Multi-Generational Community Center
3. Opportunity Corridor Economic Development Initiatives – South Main Street, Penacook Village, Downtown 2nd & 3rd Floor Redevelopment, North Central Corridor/Storrs Street Connection & South End Rail Yard
4. Expand Neighborhood Street Improvement Program

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On-Going Initiatives:

1. Major Transportation Corridor Improvements
2. Municipal Complex Planning/Improvements
3. Memorial Field Complex Planning/Improvements
4. Sewalls Falls Bridge
5. Create and Expand Partnerships (Particularly In Regards to Recreation and Economic Development Opportunities)
6. Creative Economy Work
7. Hall Street WWTP Odor Control Program

Adjournment

There being no further Council business, Councilor Champlin moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

A true copy; I attest:

Thomas J. Aspell, Jr.
City Manager