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## **MEETING NOTICE**

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City Council Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, June 9, 2026  
City Hall Auditorium- 62 Friend St.  
7:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilor Mandeville

3. Roll Call

4. Mayoral Appointments

**2026-099** Appointment of Peggy Traut to the position of member of the Cemetery Advisory Commission for a term to expire February 28, 2028

5. President and Vice President Announcements/Communications

6. Presentations from Mayor, City Staff, other Elected Officials, and Official Representatives of Boards and Commissions

7. Licenses and Permits – June

8. Public Comment - Public comment can be done in person during the meeting, or by emailing your comments to [clerk@amesburyma.gov](mailto:clerk@amesburyma.gov) by 12:00 p.m. the Friday before the Council meeting, per City Council Rule 5G. Subject line PUBLIC COMMENT. Your comments will be read aloud at the appropriate time in the agenda and entered into the public record.

9. Council Response to Public Comment

## 10. Second Readings

### a. Public Hearings –

#### **2026-001 An Order to vote to adopt an Operating Budget for 2027 – Mayor Sponsor**

Be it Ordered by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows: that the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2027 be approved

#### **2026-100 Storage of Flammable/Combustible/Explosives Permit - 60 Haverhill Road - Change of Ownership**

The applicant seeks to transfer the existing license to store flammables and combustibles under the same capacity limits previously approved for this location, consisting of two (2) 20,000 gallon underground storage tanks.

#### **2026-101 Storage of Flammable/Combustible/Explosives Permit - 23 Rocky Hill Road - Change of Ownership**

The applicant seeks to transfer the existing license to store flammables and combustibles under the same capacity limits previously approved for this location, consisting of three (3) 32,000 gallon underground storage tanks.

## 11. First Readings

#### **2026-102 An Order to authorize the Mayor to accept and expend a FY26 Legislative Earmark Grant Award from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the amount of \$10,000 to purchase soft-shell helmet covers for the Amesbury High School football team. – Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** This funding was requested and earmarked by Amesbury's state legislative delegation in the FY26 Budget as part of a line-item earmark to purchase soft-shell helmet covers and other related safety equipment for youth and high school football teams in Amesbury, Haverhill, Andover, Merrimac, North Andover, Tewksbury, and Wilmington. The \$10,000 allocated to the Amesbury High School Athletic Department will be used to purchase soft-shell helmet covers, which provide an additional layer of protection for student athletes.

#### **2026-103 An Order to authorize the Mayor to accept and expend an amendment to the FY2024 Massachusetts Seaport Economic Council grant award in the amount of \$1,199,660.00 for the Washington Landing Boat Launch Facility Restoration and Revitalization Project. – Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** The Massachusetts Seaport Economic Council originally awarded \$840,000.00 from the FY 2024 grant program to fund Amesbury's Washington Landing Maritime Support Facility project. This original grant award was accepted by Amesbury City Council through Council Bill 2024-131.

#### **2026-104 An Order to transfer the remaining HVAC Replacement Capital Account Balance for Elm Street Fire Station Floor Repair. – Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** This order authorizes the Amesbury Fire Department to utilize the remaining \$28,895 balance in capital from the completed HVAC replacement project (Council Bill 2025-047) at the School Street Fire Station to support repairs to the floor at the Elm Street Fire Station.

#### **2026-105 An Order to transfer \$2,267.04 from the SAFER Grant fund to the General Fund – Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** This order requests a fund transfer in the amount of \$2,267.04 from the SAFER Grant Fund 21s2 2419 (FY20 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant from FEMA). FEMA reporting on this fund for the final FY23 reimbursement request was done after the FY23 general fund was closed, so certain variances between the request submitted and the general fund actuals could not be adjusted to the general ledger that year. This council order serves to reconcile those funds. A detailed accounting of what makes up this amount is attached.

**2026-106 An Order** to accept an easement from Thomas Barrasso for the purposes of accessing, operating, maintaining, repairing and replacing drainage infrastructure on the property located at 11 East Greenwood Street, Amesbury, Massachusetts and to authorize the Mayor to execute an acceptance on behalf of the City of Amesbury.- **Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** The intent of this Order is to obtain the acceptance of an easement for existing drainage infrastructure located at 11 East Greenwood Street, Amesbury, Massachusetts by the City Council and to authorize the Mayor to approve and execute an Acceptance of the easement.

**2026-107 An Order** to grant a utility easement at 10 Water Street, Amesbury, and to authorize the Mayor to execute a grant of easement on behalf of the City of Amesbury.- **Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** The City owns property located at 10 Water Street, Amesbury, acquired in 1986. As part of National Grid's ongoing voltage conversion project, an additional pole with a recloser will be installed at the property. In connection therewith, electric and telephone service is being installed at the property, namely poles, wires, cables, and other equipment and appurtenances associated therewith. An easement must be granted to Massachusetts Electric Company and Verizon New England, Inc. The intent of this Order is to obtain the authorization of the City Council to grant the easement at 10 Water Street, Amesbury, and authorize the Mayor to execute a Grant of Easement.

**2026-108 An Order** to establish a Solid Waste Enterprise Fund pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §53F½. – **Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** This order proposes the creation of the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund in accordance with Department of Revenue requirements and guidance. As the City anticipates the creation of a new Solid Waste fee for residential trash collection to launch later this calendar year, the creation of this enterprise fund will be a key component of facilitating this new fee schedule and revenue source.

**2026-109** An Order to amend Amesbury Code of Ordinances Chapter 392 Solid Waste and adopt a schedule of fees. – **Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** The purpose of this ordinance is to modernize Chapter 392 Solid Waste, update outdated regulations related to municipal solid waste collection, and establish a fee schedule to help offset the increasing costs associated with the City's waste disposal and recycling collection contract.

**2026-110 An Order** to authorize inter-departmental transfers of general fund appropriations in accordance with MGL c.44 Section 33B.-**Mayor Sponsor**

**Summary:** The City Council may, by majority vote, on recommendation of the Mayor, transfer within the last 2 months of any fiscal year, or during the first 15 days of the new fiscal year, to apply to the previous fiscal year, any amount appropriated, other than for the use of a municipal light department or a school department, to any other appropriation. Please see the transfer summary below for additional information.

## 12. Correspondence

- a. Communications from Mayor, City Staff, other Elected Officials, and Representatives of City Boards and Committees
  - Memorandum from Mayor – Donations under \$5,000
- b. Council Communications
- c. Council Committee Reports

## 13. Act on Minutes – May 26, 2026

## 14. Late Files

**2026-111** A Resolution in Support of LGBTQ+ Pride Month – **Councilors Redfern, Sullivan, Stanganelli and Frederique Sponsors**

## 15. Adjournment