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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Monday, April 27, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
50 Payson Ave., Second Floor Meeting Area & remote* by Google Meet
***As allowed by the state through June 30, 2027**

Special City Council Meeting
Monday, April 27 · 6:00 – 8:00pm
Time zone: America/New_York
Google Meet joining info
Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ony-pasx-dvm>
Or dial: (US) +1 520-800-2432 PIN: 907 775 016#
More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/ony-pasx-dvm?pin=7356186018442>

1. Roll Call
2. Public Speak
3. **Public Hearing:** Supplemental Appropriation:
\$5,000.00 from Free Cash to fund new part-time position in the Tax Collector's Office for FY26
4. Mayor's Request for the City Council set a Special Election for June 9, 2026 for a vote on a proposed Tax Levy Override of \$6,900,000
5. Adjourn.



Salem Derby
Mayor

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MEMORANDUM

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To: Council President Denham

From: Mayor Salem Derby

Re: City Council Emergency Meeting

FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

I hereby request that the City Council be called for an emergency meeting on Monday, April 27th, 2026, at 6 pm to address the following items:

- 1) Memorandum - City Council Emergency Meeting: Supplemental Transfer
- 2) Memorandum - City Council Emergency Meeting: Proposal of Tax Levy Override

Thank you for your dedication to the City of Easthampton,

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cc: Easthampton City Council

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To: Council President Denham

From: Mayor Salem Derby

Re: City Council Emergency Meeting: Supplemental Appropriation

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I hereby request that the City Council move to reconsider and approve under immediate action the request before you to fund the collector's clerk position through June 30th 2026.

The city has identified a funding source through a renegotiation of Enterprise Chargebacks for FY 2027 that will be used to refund the accrued costs of this position.

Thank you for your consideration,

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To: Council President Denham

From: Mayor Salem Derby

Re: City Council Emergency Meeting: Proposal of Tax Levy Override

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Part I Title IX Chapter 59 Section 21 C (g), I hereby call on the Easthampton City Council to accept the following language for an override of Proposition 2½. I hereby request that the city council instruct the city clerk to schedule the special election with said language for Tuesday, June 9th.

The question submitted to the voters shall be worded as follows:

"Shall the City of Easthampton be allowed to assess an additional \$6,900,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of operating the Municipal Government and Public Schools for the fiscal year beginning July first, Two Thousand and Twenty Six?

YES ___ NO ___"

Thank you for your consideration,

Salem Derby

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Mayor

cc: Easthampton City Council

Easthampton City Clerk

M.G.L. c. 59 § 21C(g):

The local appropriating authority of any city or town which is subject to the provisions of paragraph (f) may, by majority vote, seek voter approval to assess taxes in excess of amount allowed pursuant to said paragraph (f) by a specified amount.

Any question submitted to the voters shall be worded as follows:

"Shall the City of Easthampton be allowed to assess an additional \$___ in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of (state the purpose(s) for which the monies from this assessment will be used) for the fiscal year beginning July first, Two Thousand and Twenty Six?

YES ___ NO ___"

Said question shall be deemed approved if a majority of the persons voting thereon shall vote "yes".

If a question as aforesaid shall provide for assessing taxes for the purpose of funding a stabilization fund established pursuant to section 5B of chapter 40, the assessors shall in each successive fiscal year assess property taxes for the same purpose in an amount equal to 102.5 per cent of the amount assessed in the next preceding year in which additional taxes were assessed for such purpose, but only if the local appropriating authority votes by a 2/3 vote to appropriate such increased amount in such year for such purpose. The voters of the city or town, by majority vote at a referendum, may alter the purpose of a stabilization fund or authorize the assessment of such additional property taxes for another purpose. In any year in which the local appropriating authority does not vote to appropriate such amount as aforesaid, the total property tax levy for such year shall be reduced by the amount that could otherwise have been assessed, so that such additional taxes may not be assessed for any other purpose. The maximum levy limit under paragraph (f) shall not be affected by any such reduction in the levy for such year.