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MEETING NOTICE

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City Council Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, April 28, 2026
City Hall Auditorium- 62 Friend St.
7:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Councilor Haggstrom

3. Roll Call

4. Mayoral Appointments

2026-088 Appointment of Frederick Range to the position of member of the Trustees of the War Memorial for a term to expire February 28, 2029

2026-089 Appointment of Jason Donovan to the position of member of the Trustees of the War Memorial for a term to expire February 28, 2029

2026-090 Appointment of Elizabeth McConnell to the position of member of the Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee for a term to expire February 28, 2029

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 – April

8. Public Comment - Public comment can be done in person during the meeting, or by emailing your comments to 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/Public Hearings

2026-079 An Order to amend Clerks office fee schedule boat ramp parking permit - **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: The City of Amesbury recently updated the City Clerk Fee Schedule per Bill No. 2025-11 to address several outdated fees and incorporate the recently adopted parking permit system. This amendment would establish the fee for the Washington Landing Public Boat Ramp parking permit.-

2026-080 An Ordinance to adopt a Schedule of Fees for renting single and tandem kayaks, canoes and stand up paddleboards (SUP) from the Amesbury Recreation Department - **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: The intention of this ordinance is to adopt a kayak, SUP and canoe rental fee structure to help fund recreational programming. It is expected that these fees will be periodically reviewed and updated.

2026-081 An Ordinance Change City of Amesbury Traffic and Parking Regulations SCHEDULE 1 PARKING (PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES) - NO Parking on Highland either side)- **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: This ordinance will update the Traffic and Parking Regulations, adopted in Bill No. 2015-077 and subsequently amended in Bill No. 2015-081 and Bill No. 2019-074, and amend the Amesbury Municipal Code to revise the SCHEDULE 1 PARKING (PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES) to include both sides of Highland Street from the Friend Street intersection to the Hillside Avenue intersection unless parked in designated, marked parking spots. With the amount of activity at the city park and High School, combined with the narrow construction of Highland Street the Chief of Police has designated this area unsafe to park motor vehicles on the side of the road unless parked in designated, well-marked parking spots.-

2026-082 An Order to accept donation of shed at Amesbury Town Park ice rink- **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: The equipment shed, valued at approximately \$25,000 to \$30,000, was made possible through community fundraising efforts led by resident Dan Ouellet, along with contributions from numerous donors and volunteers. The structure was constructed at an estimated cost of under \$6,000 and includes durable materials such as pressure-treated framing and cement board siding. The shed will support rink operations by providing storage for hockey nets and related equipment, with additional improvements including heating, cooling, and a water heater to be completed in the spring.-

2026-083 An Order to transfer funds from Building Inspection Overtime account to the Building Inspection Training account - **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: This Order requests authorization to transfer \$1,000 from the Building Inspection Overtime account (current balance: \$ 5,449.28) to the Building Inspection Training account to support two inspector trainings over the next several months.-

2026-084 An Order to pay Prior Year Invoices from FY26 General Operating Budge – APS- **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: The listed invoices below are for operating expenses related to supplies or services rendered in prior fiscal years but for which funds were not encumbered by the corresponding city department at fiscal year-end. This order requests payment be made to the listed vendors from the corresponding department's current year (FY26) operating budget in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44 s. 64. This vote requires two thirds approval of the City Council.-

2026-085 An Order to accept and expend a FY26 DFS grant for firefighter safety equipment- **Mayor Sponsor**

Summary: These grant funds will be used to purchase the following approved firefighter safety equipment: Personnel Accountability System/Mobile Command Console, Ropes (Rescue & Individual Safety and Hardware)

11. First Readings

12. Correspondence

- a. Communications from Mayor, City Staff, other Elected Officials, and Representatives of City Boards and Committees
- b. Council Communications
- c. Council Committee Reports

13. Act on Minutes – None at this time

14. Adjournment