

A regular meeting of the Keene City Council was held on Thursday, February 5, 2026. The Honorable Mayor Jay V. Kahn called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll called: Randy L. Filiault, Catherine I. Workman, Bryan J. Lake, Jacob R. Favolise, Laura E. Tobin, Robert C. Williams, Philip M. Jones, Kris E. Roberts, Bettina A. Chadbourne, Edward J. Haas, Laura E. Ruttle-Miller, Molly V. Ellis, and Thomas F. Powers were present. Mitchell H. Greenwald was absent. Having declared that a quorum was physically present in the Council Chambers, Mayor Kahn recognized that Councilor Michele A. Chalice requested to participate remotely for health reasons; she was calling alone from her home. Hearing no objections from the Council, Mayor Kahn granted the remote participation. Councilor Workman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES FROM PRECEDING MEETING

Councilor Ellis requested for Barb Weisman's last name to be corrected throughout the January 15, 2026 Council minutes. The correction was accepted by consensus as a Scrivener's error. A motion by Councilor Filiault to adopt the January 15, 2026 meeting minutes, as amended, was duly seconded by Councilor Powers. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Kahn began by honoring former City Councilor, Cynthia Georgina, who passed away on January 22, 2026. Ms. Georgina was a lifelong Keene resident, who attended Keene High School and Keene State College. She also worked in Keene and raised a family with her husband, who she affectionately referred to as "Smiley." Ms. Georgina became an At-Large Keene City Councilor in 1988 and served until 1999. She returned to serve as a Ward Five Councilor from 2004 until 2011. She was Chair of the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee from January 2007 to December 2011, and retired from the Council the same year. Ms. Georgina provided the Keene community with a lifetime of dedicated service and Mayor Kahn said she would be sorely missed. The Mayor announced a visitation, and celebration of Ms. Georgina's life on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, at the Foley Funeral Home on Court Street. He encouraged anyone who knew and appreciated her service to the City of Keene to attend. Mayor Kahn spoke personally about his opportunities to interact with Ms. Georgina through the City Council and her WKBK Radio broadcasts, stating that her dedication to the community and affection for its members was quite sincere. He said she may have called her husband "Smiley," but Ms. Georgina had a light in her face and a smile that covered it, and she was always a joy to be with. Mayor Kahn called her a real bellwether for the City Council that he trusted as a person, who frequently came to the City Council as a guest. Mayor Kahn expressed his regret and sympathies to Ms. Georgina's family.

Next, the Mayor shared upcoming dates of interest:

- The Annual Ice and Snow Festival in Downtown Keene: Saturday, February 7, 2026 from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Featuring 14 ice carvers, along with many family activities. Everyone was encouraged to get out and join the fun.
- Screening of the documentary *Shadow Falls North*: February 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM at Heberton Hall. This film focuses on the overlooked Black History of New England, and

efforts to reclaim it. A follow-up discussion would take place on March 5, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Historical Society of Cheshire County.

- A City Council Workshop on the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) for 2027–2033: Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 5:30 PM at Heberton Hall. Councilors should arrive by 5:00 PM for a meal prior to the meeting.
- A special Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 5:30 PM, to continue review of the proposed CIP. The regular FOP meeting on March 12 would also start early at 5:30 PM for CIP review. Meals will be served prior to both of these meetings.

Lastly, Mayor Kahn announced the City Council's summer break in August 2026. The regular City Council meeting scheduled for August 6, 2026 will be held as planned; however, the August 20 and September 3, 2026 City Council meetings are canceled. In addition, all Standing Committee meetings in August 2026 are canceled: PLD on August 12, FOP on August 13 and August 27, and MSFI on August 26. Regular meetings will resume with the September 9 PLD and September 10, 2026 FOP Committee meetings.

**CONFIRMATIONS – BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATH ADVISORY COMMITTEE;
CONGREGATE LIVING AND SOCIAL SERVICES LICENSING BOARD; HUMAN
RIGHTS COMMITTEE; PLANNING BOARD; AND TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS AND
CEMETERY TRUSTEES**

Mayor Kahn nominated the following individuals to City boards and committees:

To the Bicycle/Pedestrian Path Advisory Committee: Jacob Robertson, nominated to serve as a Regular Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. To the Congregate Living and Social Services Licensing Board: Ian Matheson, nominated to serve as a Regular Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. To the Human Rights Committee: Jennifer Porschitz, nominated to serve as an Alternate Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. To the Planning Board: David Bergeron, nominated to serve as a Regular Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. To the Trustees of Trust Funds and Cemetery Trustees: Michelle Howard, re-appointed to serve as a Regular Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028; Heather Scheck, appointed to serve as an Alternate Member, with a term to expire December 31, 2028.

A motion by Councilor Powers to confirm the nominations was duly seconded by Councilor Filiault. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

Mayor Kahn added that with the start of the new City Council term, there were many nominations for highly qualified individuals, so most of the regular positions on Committees had been filled and now the alternate positions were filling. He thanked anyone who had a role in encouraging community members to apply.

NOMINATIONS - ASSESSORS BOARD; AND HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Mayor Kahn nominated Christine Houston to serve as a Regular Member of the Assessors Board, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. The Mayor also nominated Thomas M. White to serve as an Alternate Member of the Human Rights Committee, with a term to expire December 31, 2028. Mayor Kahn tabled the nominations until the next regular City Council meeting.

COMMUNICATION - JON LOVELAND - CONCERNS RELATING TO THE DOWNTOWN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

A communication was received from Jon Loveland, submitting continued concerns related to the proposed Downtown Infrastructure Project, including liabilities related to aspects of the planning and approved design. Mayor Kahn filed the communication as informational.

Mayor Kahn noted for returning Councilors that the Council had received several communications from Mr. Loveland, and this letter particularly called new Councilors' attention to his concerns, so the Mayor hoped they had read it.

COMMUNICATION - COUNCILOR WORKMAN - REQUEST FOR REVIEW AND UPDATE OF 2019 INTER-AGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING INVOLVING LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS

A communication was received from Councilor Catherine Workman, requesting that the 2019 inter-agency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) involving local law enforcement partners be reviewed and updated to include clearer operational language, defined roles and authorities, and a formal schedule for periodic review and renewal. Mayor Kahn referred the communication to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

COMMUNICATION - MARK REBILLARD / KEENE DOWNTOWN GROUP - REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY FUNDED EVENT STATUS - SERIES OF SMALL-SCALE FESTIVALS DURING DOWNTOWN CONSTRUCTION

A communication was received from Mark Rebillard of the Keene Downtown Group, requesting that the City Council suspend its Policy related to Community Event Funding to provide funding toward City services needed for the proposed series of mini festivals slated for summer 2026 during Phase I of the Downtown Infrastructure Project. Mayor Kahn referred the communication to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

COMMUNICATION - MARK REBILLARD / KEENE DOWNTOWN GROUP - REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY FUNDED EVENT STATUS - KEENE 250TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION - JULY 4, 2026

A communication was received from Mark Rebillard of the Keene Downtown Group, requesting that the City Council suspend its Policy related to Community Event Funding to provide funding toward City services needed for the proposed Keene 250th Independence Day Celebration on

July 4, 2026. Mayor Kahn referred the communication to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

MSFI REPORTS - MONADNOCK VIEW CEMETERY EXPANSION PROJECT; AND PRESENTATION - PUBLIC STORM RESPONSE MAPS

The first Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee report was read, unanimously recommending accepting the Monadnock View Cemetery Master Plan Design, as provided by Grever & Ward, as informational. A second Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee report was read, unanimously recommending accepting the presentation from Public Works on Public Storm Response as informational. Mayor Kahn filed both reports as informational.

MSFI REPORT - DOWNTOWN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATE

A Municipal Services, Facilities and Infrastructure Committee report was read, unanimously recommending that the City Manager be authorized to do all things necessary to incorporate the scope of the work and the contract restriction changes into the Downtown Infrastructure Project bid documents, as presented, and to re-bid the project for construction beginning in the spring of 2026. A motion by Councilor Workman to carry out the intent of the Committee report was duly seconded by Councilor Tobin.

Councilor Workman reported that unfortunately, the first round of bids on the Downtown Infrastructure Project came back higher than the City expected, which created a roughly \$7 million gap in what the City had earmarked for the Project at this time. The Public Works Department analyzed every bid line item and consulted contractors to understand why. Councilor Workman said the key factors were reduced productivity in the tight downtown environment, heavy subcontractor requirements, and the two-year schedule that many local contractors felt was unrealistic. Rather than rebidding the Project unchanged, staff proposed targeted, scoped reductions and contract changes to lower the cost, while still preserving the core infrastructure goals. Councilor Workman reported that the recommended changes included eliminating or scaling back higher cost, aesthetic, and non-essential features: granite seating walls, decorative lighting bollards, specialty curbing, some textured concrete areas, portions of temporary pavement, and a full depth road base replacement (going with a partial reclamation instead). Staff also suggested reducing Police traffic control hours where flaggers can be used safely. Councilor Workman said these eliminations would save roughly \$1.6 million.

Councilor Workman listed a second group of items that could be deferred or completed in-house for a better value: benches, trash receptacles, bike racks, changes to the gazebo stairs, pay station locations, the fountain upgrade, the catenary lighting, and the Christmas tree base. This second group would include additional net savings and contract costs, while still allowing those features to be added to the Project later. Councilor Workman described a third set of substitutions—smaller underground drainage structures, less decorative concrete treatment, standard curbs, possible donated field office space, and electrical design refinements—which could have added net savings, with the tradeoff of somewhat higher future maintenance in limited areas.

Lastly, Councilor Workman said staff recommended returning to the three-year construction schedule and easing certain work restrictions, which would allow for Saturday work and more flexible parking impacts, with the intent to attract more bidders and improve pricing. To close the remaining gaps, staff proposed redirecting upcoming roadway paving funds (with the exact impacted roadways to be identified during the upcoming Capital Improvement Planning). Councilor Workman said the MSFI Committee voted unanimously, authorizing the City Manager to incorporate the presented scope and contracted changes into the bid documents, and rebid this project for the beginning of September 2026. Councilor Workman hoped the Council would do the same.

The Council was provided with a handout summarizing the cost saving measures discussed at the MSFI Committee meeting, the project budget summary, and the draft FY 2027–2031 planned funding. This document was also available to the public.

City Manager Elizabeth Ferland clarified that the City's intent would be to put the Project back out to bid as soon as possible and keep it out for the usual period of approximately one month, so construction could start in the May 2026 timeframe.

Councilor Filiault said, having been personally involved in this Project for over five years, that there were other areas he would have preferred to see eliminated. However, he was sure all 15 Councilors probably thought the same thing. Councilor Filiault thought it was imperative, now, to "bite the bullet" and get this Project moving because he said, as the City had seen over the prior year (e.g., Water, Leverett, and Lower Main Streets), the pipes are not getting younger and emergency repairs are more costly. Although this Project would not be perfect and there were other areas that Councilor Filiault would independently like to see change, he suggested the Council should move on right now, get this Project finished, and move on to the next thing.

The motion to carry out the intent of the Committee report carried on a roll call vote with 13 Councilors voting in favor and 1 Councilor voting in opposition. Councilor Jones voted in the minority. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

FOP REPORT - THOMAS BURTON - REQUEST FOR INCREASE TO DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY TAX CREDIT

A Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee report was read, unanimously recommending the amended motion to direct the City Manager to draft a resolution related to the Tax Credit for Service-Connected Total Disability, increasing the amount from \$4,000 to \$4,300 and that this item would be reviewed during the revaluation.

Mayor Kahn recognized that Councilor Roberts recorded a Conflict of Interest for this item at the Finance, Organization and Personnel (FOP) Committee meeting. Councilor Roberts stated that he is one of the 68 individuals this Tax Credit would affect and asked to be recused. Hearing no objections from the Council, Mayor Kahn granted Councilor Roberts' recusal.

A motion by Councilor Powers to carry out the intent of the Committee report was duly seconded by Councilor Chadbourne.

Councilor Powers summarized the Committee report about the New Hampshire law that changed the amount of tax credit available to totally and permanently disabled Veterans. Until recently, it was \$4,000 and the legislature changed it to up to \$5,000. Previously, there was an additional \$300 exemption available to a certain number of Veterans, which the legislature eliminated on the premise that it would be covered by increasing the total up to \$5,000. So, he said unless the City made a specific change, those Veterans would start receiving \$300 less of an exemption. The law allows each New Hampshire community to make this adjustment for themselves and revisit the decision on a specific time schedule. Councilor Powers said the FOP Committee discussed the economic impact on the City (i.e., residents' tax bills, who may have this exemption, will be reduced by the like amount). The Committee first discussed increasing the exemption by \$1,000 (to \$5,000), which would cost around \$68,000 in revenue during the next Budget season. Councilor Powers noted it was hard to predict what the City's income would be. After discussion, he said the Committee amended its motion at least once and decided the best approach would be to add the \$300 back in by changing the City's totally disabled exemption to \$4,300 annually—with the same promise to those who were interested that the City will reevaluate it during the next season's Budget process and revaluation of all City properties. Councilor Powers said the FOP Committee agreed that these 68 totally and permanently disabled Veterans, whom this Tax Credit would affect, had earned and deserved this bit of economic impact on the City.

Mayor Kahn said this was essentially a harmless action, noting that the \$300 credit was otherwise already offered to Veterans who were disabled through their service. He did not think this was something the City wanted to backslide on.

Councilor Tobin said she would support this. She appreciated how intentional the FOP Committee was about ensuring this would be considered again during property revaluation.

Councilor Ellis hoped the City would revisit this exemption, stating that she, "does not feel it behooves the City of Keene to be nickel and diming totally disabled Veterans." She hopes that the City will provide the full \$5,000 tax credit when it eventually does revisit this. However, she said she was glad about the \$4,300 for now.

Councilor Favolise noted this question came up at the FOP Committee meeting for Councilor Lake when the \$5,000 option was on the table. With this being mid-fiscal year, Councilor Favolise asked whether this could actually be implemented. The City Manager replied in the affirmative.

The motion to carry out the intent of the Committee report carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 13 Councilors voting in favor and one abstaining. Councilor Greenwald was absent. Councilor Roberts abstained.

FOP REPORT - EXECUTION OF LEASE - 11 CENTRAL SQUARE

A Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee report was read, unanimously recommending that the City Manager be authorized to do all things necessary to negotiate and execute a lease with Nicola's LLC for the use of space at 11 Central Square. A motion by Councilor Powers to carry out the intent of the Committee report was duly seconded by Councilor Lake. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

FOP REPORT - EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH NXTGEN FOR THE DESIGN OF THE GILBO AVENUE SOLAR PAVILION PROJECT

A Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee report was read, unanimously recommending that the City Manager be authorized to do all things necessary to execute an agreement with NXTGen for engineering services for the design of the Gilbo Avenue Solar Pavilion Project, for an amount not to exceed \$300,000. A motion by Councilor Powers to carry out the intent of the Committee report was duly seconded by Councilor Chadbourne.

At the FOP Committee's request, Councilors were provided with an informational handout about NXTGen.

Councilor Jones said he was glad this came along. He did not like that the Solar Pavilion Project was originally a part of the Downtown Infrastructure Project. Now that the Pavilion Project would be a part of the Transportation Heritage Trail, he called it a wonderful situation. He was glad about the change in direction.

The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Elizabeth Ferland discussed her [*City of Keene, In Focus* podcast](#), which is usually recorded within one or two days after each Council meeting. Episodes focus on meeting outcomes, upcoming committee agenda items, and they occasionally include special guests to explore related topics in greater depth. The City Manager shared upcoming 2026 podcast topics:

- Friday, February 6: Featuring City Engineer Bryan Ruoff, discussing the Solar Pavilion Project: project timeline, funding sources, and expected benefits.
- Friday, February 20: Featuring the new Airport Director, Ryan Cooley, who will share some of his prior experience and his early observations of the Keene Dillant-Hopkins Airport.
- Monday, February 23: A special podcast focused on the Capital Improvement Planning (CIP) and Operating Budget processes.
- Friday, March 6: The Parking Director will join the City Manager to discuss zone flexibility changes implemented several months ago, along with other upcoming parking initiatives.

Next, the City Manager reminded the Council that at the February 26, 2026 FOP meeting, the Committee would receive an overview of how Keene's tax rate is established, how the municipal Operating Budget and CIP processes work, and how the public can participate. This session, presented by City Assessor Dan Langille and Finance Director Kari Chamberlain, is intended to offer background information in advance of the formal CIP review.

City Manager Ferland recognized the City Safety Committee, led by TJ O'Brien (Committee Chair) and Megan Young (Human Resources Department). This Committee did most of the work to coordinate with the Fire Department to schedule CPR/AED training classes for City staff. These classes were very successful and well received, leading the Committee to schedule two more four-hour classes during the prior month. Going forward, the Safety Committee plans to offer four classes annually that would be scheduled in clusters to maximize staff participation, allow for recertification, and expand CPR certification across the organization; the certification is valid for two years. These opportunities are also available to City Councilors, and Councilor Chalice participated in the most recent session. The City Manager encouraged interested Councilors to take part in future opportunities, noting that the Fire Department does a great job with that training.

The City Manager reported that this week at Keene Dillant-Hopkins Airport, the City hosted representatives from the New Hampshire Business and Economic Affairs Office, including Outdoor Recreation and Travel and Tourism staff. Discussions included statewide initiatives and the economic importance of the Keene Airport. She said the state officials shared several promising cross-promotional opportunities, toured the Airport, and learned more about it as an anchor in the community. City Manager Ferland appreciated the opportunity to host them, and that the guests stayed the night in Keene, taking advantage of everything the City has to offer. She looked forward to continuing collaboration, which could highlight the many assets and activities taking place in this corner of the state.

Lastly, City Manager Ferland updated the City Council on its September 2025 decision, authorizing her to enter into a host agreement with Revo Casino and take advantage of a possible donation to the City. She said she entered into that agreement. She recalled that as a host community for a charitable gaming organization, the City is eligible under state law to receive a portion of charitable gaming proceeds for one designated week each year. Revo Casino selected a week in December for this purpose. The total amount the City received was \$13,788.35. Later in February 2026, City staff would return to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee with a recommendation to allocate those funds to the Keene Police Department to offset a portion of planned expenditures included in the upcoming CIP. The system that records all telephone and radio traffic in and out of the Department is due to be replaced in the FY-27 Budget. The City Manager said she would execute the same Host Community Agreement for 2026.

Mayor Kahn said the City had some really good relationships in development with New Hampshire Business and Economic Affairs. Their staff had been readily available to the City for outreach and invitations, and they were excited about listing a 250th celebration on their website.

REPORT - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

A memorandum was read from Finance Director Kari Chamberlain, recommending the City Council accept donations totaling \$8,481.17, as noted below, and the City Manager be authorized to use each donation in the manner specified by the donor:

- The Keene Fire Department received the following donations in memory of retiree Henry “Hank” Memmesheimer who passed away December 8, 2025:
 - \$200 from Rose & Christine Li
 - \$100 from Kay Alderman & James Mountford
 - \$100 from Seven Rivers Law Office, PLLC
- The Keene Fire Department received a \$200 donation from Harrison & Marlene Baldwin in appreciation of services provided by Department members.
- Brattleboro Heat Fastpitch Club account donated \$2,731.17 through Parks & Recreation to support girls’ sports programming.
- The Gallup Fund donated \$5,000 through the Human Rights Committee to benefit the 2026 Keene International Festival.
- A \$100 donation from Deborah Hill and \$50 from the Edmund & Roberta Gianferrari Revocable Trust for our “Branch Out For Parks” project.

A motion by Councilor Powers to accept the donations with gratitude, and that the City Manager be authorized to use these funds in the manner specified by the donor was duly seconded by Councilor Chadbourne. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

PB-PLD REPORT - O-2025-40: RELATING TO SETBACK EXCEPTIONS, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS, AND PARKING REGULATIONS

A Joint Planning Board-Planning, Licenses and Development Committee report was read, with the Planning Board unanimously finding Ordinance O-2025-40 consistent with the 2025 Comprehensive Master Plan, and the Planning, Licenses and Development Committee unanimously requesting that the Mayor set a Public Hearing for Ordinance O-2025-40. Mayor Kahn filed the memorandum and set a Public Hearing for Ordinance O-2025-40 on March 5, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

ORDINANCE FOR FIRST READING - RELATING TO FINES FOR NUISANCE, MENACE, AND VICIOUS DOG OFFENSES - ORDINANCE O-2026-01

A memorandum was read from Police Captain Mike Kopcha, recommending that Ordinance O-2026-01 Relating to Fines for Nuisance, Menace, and Vicious Dog Offenses be referred to the appropriate Standing Committee for review and recommendation back to the full City Council. Mayor Kahn referred Ordinance O-2026-01 to the Planning, Licenses and Development Committee.

**ORDINANCE FOR FIRST READING - RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF
“FAMILY” - ORDINANCE O-2026-02**

A memorandum was read from Senior Planner Mari Brunner, recommending that Ordinance O-2026-02 be referred to the Joint Committee of the Planning Board-Planning, Licenses and Development Committee for a public workshop. Mayor Kahn referred Ordinance O-2026-02 to the Joint Committee of the Planning Board-Planning, Licenses and Development Committee.

**FOP REPORT - RELATING TO THE REALLOCATION OF UNSPENT BOND FUNDS FOR
THE WWTP SERVICE WATER SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT - RESOLUTION R-2026-04**

A Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee report was read, unanimously recommending the adoption of Resolution R-2026-04. Mayor Kahn filed the report. A motion by Councilor Powers to adopt Resolution R-2026-04 was duly seconded by Councilor Chadbourne. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

**RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION OF PLANNED FUNDS FOR ENGINEERING
SERVICES FOR THE ROBIN HOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT - RESOLUTION
R-2026-05**

A memorandum was read from City Engineer Bryan Ruoff, recommending the City Council refer the draft Resolution to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee for review and recommendation to the City Council. Mayor Kahn referred Resolution R-2026-05 to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

**RELATING TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR RECYCLING EQUIPMENT
REPLACEMENT - RESOLUTION R-2026-06**

A memorandum was read from Solid Waste Manager Ben Hoy, recommending that Resolution R-2026-06 be referred to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee for consideration and a recommendation to the City Council. Mayor Kahn referred Resolution R-2026-06 to the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

A motion by Councilor Powers to go into non-public session for consideration of the release of non-public minutes pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(m) was duly seconded by Councilor Filiault. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent. At 7:52 PM, Mayor Kahn called a short recess before the non-public session started. The session began at 7:57 PM. Deputy City Attorney Brandon Latham was invited to remain present.

The regular session was reconvened at 8:07 PM. A motion by Councilor Powers to seal the minutes of the non-public session held this evening as divulgance of the information would render the proposed actions ineffective was duly seconded by Councilor Filiault. The motion

carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

A motion by Councilor Powers was duly seconded by Councilor Filiault to unseal the following non-public minutes because the reason the minutes were originally sealed no longer applies: the minutes of the sessions held January 21, 2016 and January 25, 2016; item 2 discussed February 4, 2016; item 1 discussed March 3, 2016; items 1 and 3 discussed April 7, 2016; item 2 discussed May, 5, 2016; the minutes of the session held September 15, 2016; and item 1 discussed October 20, 2016. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

A motion by Councilor Powers was duly seconded by Councilor Filiault to retain the following non-public minutes because the reason the minutes were originally sealed still applies: item 1 discussed February 4, 2016; item 2 discussed March 3, 2016; item 2 discussed April 7, 2016; item 1 discussed May 5, 2016; and item 2 discussed October 20, 2016. The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote with 14 Councilors present and voting in favor. Councilor Greenwald was absent.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Kahn adjourned the meeting at 8:10 PM, at which time the City Council entered a non-meeting to receive legal advice from the City Attorney.

A true record, attest:



City Clerk