City of Fall River Massachusetts
Office of the City Clerk

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ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

MEETING: October 27, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, One Government Center

PRESENT: President Cliff A. Ponte, presiding;
Councilors Shawn E. Cadime, Michael G. Canuel, Michelle M. Dionne, Paul B. Hart, Christopher M. Peckham, Sr., Linda M. Pereira and Andrew J. Raposo

ABSENT: Councilor Joseph D. Camara

IN ATTENDANCE: None

President Ponte called the meeting to order at 8:58 p.m. with a moment of silence followed by a salute to the flag and announced that the meeting may be recorded with audio or video and transmitted through any medium.

PRIORITY MATTERS

1. Mayor and the following grant orders:
   a. $5,000,000.00 – Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities' HousingWorks Infrastructure Program – Reconstruction of Alden Street

On a motion made by Councilor Canuel and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

   b. $4,500.00 – Bristol County District Attorney's Office's Community Funding Program – Search and Rescue training for Fall River Emergency Medical Services' (EMS) comfort dog Scout

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

   c. $1,092,000.00 – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Replacement of residential lead service lines

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

d. $1,300,000.00 – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development – Rehabilitation of streets, sidewalks, and an underutilized parklet on Columbia Street

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

2. Mayor and request to hold a Joint Meeting with the City Council and School Committee on December 8, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., to allow the Superintendent of the Fall River Public Schools to deliver the first "State of the Schools" address

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Vice President Dionne, it was unanimously voted that the communication be accepted and placed on file, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

3. Mayor and Memorandum of Agreement between the Fall River Teamsters Local 251 and the City of Fall River

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was voted 7 yeas, 1 nay, to adopt the order, with Councilor Peckham voting in the negative and Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

4. Mayor and order appropriating of $3,107,675.80 from the General Stabilization Fund to Snow Removal Expenses Deficit

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Peckham opposed and Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

PRIORITY COMMUNICATIONS

5. Letter from City Council President requesting a communication be sent to the Mayor from the City Council regarding action needed on resolutions

Councilor Pereira asked if the Council President had discussed this matter with the Mayor. President Ponte explained that he meets with the Mayor frequently and he wanted to create a complete list of these resolutions prior to requesting this action.

On a motion made by Councilor Canuel and seconded by Vice President Dionne, it was unanimously voted that the communication be accepted and placed on file and to approve the drafted correspondence to the Mayor, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting

COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

ORDINANCES

6. Proposed Ordinance – Relocation of the Chief of Staff Mayor's Office position in the City code from §50-302, which relates to Salary schedules for contract personnel, to §50-303, which relates to Salary schedules for political appointments and boards/committees

Councilor Pereira suggested that the proposed ordinance be addressed by the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation after the Director of Human Resources provides the final salary compensation study that is currently in progress.

Vice President Dionne explained that the Chief of Staff Mayor's Office position is an appointed position and should not be classified in City code as a contracted position. Vice President Dionne clarified that the Committee could amend the "Not to exceed," amount on the proposed ordinance in the future if the compensation study recommended a different annual salary.

Councilor Raposo agreed and stated that this position will be included in the ongoing salary compensation study. Councilor Raposo confirmed that he would place this matter on the next agenda for the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation for discussion.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to refer the proposed ordinance to the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

RESOLUTIONS

7. Committee on Ordinances and Legislation convene to discuss departmental oversight of the grocery ride program for senior residents and vehicles utilized to provide this service

Councilor Raposo explained that a similar discussion occurred during the meeting of the Committee on Health and Environmental Services on October 27, 2026, and that he looks forward to the matter being addressed in relation to oversight of these services within the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Peckham, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

8. Committee on Public Safety convene to discuss Southcoast Regional Transit Authority bus terminal cleanliness, sanitation and public safety

A motion was made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Hart to adopt the resolution. Councilor Raposo made remarks regarding ongoing issues near the Southcoast Regional Transit Authority (SRTA) terminal on Fourth Street, specifically concerning cleanliness and the availability of trash receptacles. Councilor Raposo stated that the Committee on Public Safety should convene to address this matter with a representative from SRTA.

Vice President Dionne stated that, as a similar resolution regarding the SRTA terminal is already before the Committee on Public Safety, the resolution should be amended to allow the Committee on Health and Environmental Affairs to hold the discussion.

Councilor Cadime made remarks regarding the City Administrator, who represents the City of Fall River on the SRTA Advisory Board, and requested that the resolution be forwarded to her as well.

Councilor Raposo stated that he had originally drafted the resolution to allow this discussion to take place before the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation but that the City Clerk had recommended that the matter be addressed by the Committee on Public Safety.

On a motion made by Vice President Dionne and seconded by Councilor Pereira, it was unanimously voted to amend the resolution by striking out "Committee on Public Safety," and inserting in its place, "Committee on Health and Environmental Affairs," with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

On a further motion made by Vice President Dionne and seconded by Councilor Peckham, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, as amended, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

CITATIONS

9. Commitment to public safety through Operation: Restore the Row held on August 12, 2026
   a. Fall River Police Department

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted that the citation be accepted and placed on file, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

   b. Massachusetts State Police

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted that the citation be accepted and placed on file, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

ORDERS – HEARINGS

Pawnbroker and Second Hand Article Store

10. Pawtucket Pawnbrokers Too, Inc., 302 South Main Street, Fall River, MA 02721 – Store to be located at 255 South Main Street

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Raposo, it was unanimously voted to adopt the order, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

ORDERS – MISCELLANEOUS – None

COMMUNICATIONS – INVITATIONS – PETITIONS

11. Claims

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Vice President Dionne, it was unanimously voted to refer the claims to Corporation Counsel, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

12. Application for a License to Conduct One-Day Bingo – PVT Joseph Francis VFW Post 486 Inc., February 15, 2027, at 486 Bedford Street

On a motion made by Councilor Peckham and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to approve the application, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

13. Drainlayer Licenses
    ELJ Inc.

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to approve the drainlayer application, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.
Approved, October 29, 2026
Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

14. Planning Board Minutes – September 9, 2026

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted that the minutes be accepted and placed on file, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

15. Community Preservation Committee Minutes:
April 27, 2026 May 18, 2026 June 15, 2026
August 17, 2026 September 21, 2026

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted that the minutes be accepted and placed on file, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

BULLETINS – NEWSLETTERS – NOTICES – None

ITEMS FILED AFTER THE AGENDA DEADLINE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 27, 2026

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Finance recommending referral to the Committee on Real Estate, Facilities and Housing:

5a. Mayor and communication requesting that the Committee on Finance convene on October 27, 2026, to allow the Administration to deliver a presentation regarding the Pearl Street parking garage

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Canuel, it was unanimously voted to refer the communication to the Committee on Real Estate, Facilities and Housing, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

RESOLUTIONS

8a. Committee on Finance convene to discuss concerns regarding issues with flooding, decreased water pressure and other municipal water concerns as well as the lack of available funding for these capital needs

On a motion made by Councilor Raposo and seconded by Councilor Pereira, it was unanimously voted to adopt the resolution, with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

On a motion made by Councilor Canuel and seconded by Councilor Hart, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:19 p.m., with Councilor Camara absent and not voting.

List of documents and other exhibits used during the meeting:
Agenda packet (attached)

A true copy Attest:
Ânia da Silva Paulino Leite
City Clerk

In City Council, November 10, 2026
Approved.

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MEETINGS SCHEDULED
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ONE GOVERNMENT CENTER
OCTOBER 27, 2026
AGENDA

5:15 P.M. COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

5:55 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND EVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS MEETING IF IT RUNS PAST 5:55 P.M.)

Pawnbroker and Second Hand Article Store

1. Pawtucket Pawnbrokers Too, Inc., 302 South Main Street, Fall River, MA 02721 for permission to operate and maintain a pawnbroker and second hand article store, located at 255 South Main Street (used articles to be sold).

6:00 P.M. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEETING (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARING IF IT RUNS PAST 6:00 P.M.)

Presentation of Citations

- Fall River Police Department and Massachusetts State Police re: commitment to public safety through Operation: Restore the Row held on August 12, 2026

1. Citizen Input
2. *Mayor and communication requesting that the Committee on Finance convene on October 27, 2026, to allow the Administration to deliver a presentation regarding the Pearl Street parking garage (referred 10-13-2026)
3. *Resolution – Convene to discuss the harm reduction bags that are supplied by Stanley Street Treatment and Resources (SSTAR) and Seven Hills Foundation as well as other services provided for substance use treatment and recovery (adopted 10-13-2026)
4. Transfer and appropriation

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL (OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE MEETING IF IT RUNS PAST 7:00 P.M.)

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ADA Coordinator: Gary P. Howayeck, Esq. 508-324-2650

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PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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October 7, 2026

Cliff Ponte, Council President
Honorable Members of the City Council
City of Fall River
1 Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

RE: Grant awards being presented for City Council approval

Council President Ponte and Honorable Members of the City Council:

Please find the following grant awards, which the City has been notified of, for your consideration and formal acceptance:

(1) $5,000,000 from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities' HousingWorks Infrastructure Program for the reconstruction of Alden Street;

(2) $4,500.00 from the Bristol County District Attorney's Office's Community Funding Program for search and rescue training for Fall River Emergency Medical Services' comfort dog Scout;

(3) $1,092,000.00 in congressionally directed spending from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the replacement of residential lead service lines; and

(4) $1,300,000.00 in congressionally directed spending from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the rehabilitation of streets, sidewalks, and an underutilized parklet on Columbia Street.

These awards have been summarized in the attached table for your convenience. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

1a

ORDER:
The City of Fall River was awarded a HousingWorks Infrastructure Program grant from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities in the amount of $5,000,000.00 with a duration beginning immediately upon contract execution and ending on June 30, 2029. This grant would fund the reconstruction of streets, sidewalks, and sewer infrastructure along Alden Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Fall River to accept and expend a Grant from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities in the amount of $5,000,000.00 for the reconstruction of Alden Street.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED: That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fall River, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant from the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, including the expenditure thereof.

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

1b

ORDER:
The City of Fall River was awarded a Community Funding Program grant from the Bristol County District Attorney's Office in the amount of $4,500.00 with a duration beginning immediately upon contract execution and ending on December 31, 2026. This grant would fund the purchase of a specialized search and rescue training session for Fall River Emergency Medical Services' comfort dog, Scout.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Fall River to accept and expend a Grant from the Bristol County District Attorney's Office in the amount of $4,500.00 for a search and rescue training.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED: That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fall River, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant from the Bristol County District Attorney's Office, including the expenditure thereof.

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

1C

ORDER:
The City of Fall River was awarded a congressionally directed spending allocation from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) in the amount of $1,092,000.00 with a duration beginning immediately upon contract execution and ending on October 1, 2027 This grant would fund the continuation of the City's lead service line replacement program, wherein residential services lines are replaced to reduce lead exposure from drinking water.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Fall River to accept and expend a Grant from the U.S. EPA in the amount of $1,092,000.00 for lead service line replacement.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED: That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fall River, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant from the U.S. EPA, including the expenditure thereof.

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

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ORDER:
The City of Fall River was awarded a congressionally directed spending allocation from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of $1,300,000.00 with a duration beginning immediately upon contract execution and ending on October 1, 2027. This grant would fund the rehabilitation of streets, sidewalks, and an underutilized parklet on Columbia Street to support the revitalization of the Waterfront Cultural District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT VOTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized in the name of the City of Fall River to accept and expend a Grant from HUD in the amount of $1,300,000.00 for the rehabilitation of Columbia Street.

BE IT FURTHER VOTED: That the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fall River, be and hereby is, authorized to execute any and all documents necessary in connection with said grant from HUD, including the expenditure thereof.

Grant Program	Funding Agency	Duration	Award Amount	Grant Contact(s)	Matching Funds	Purpose
Community Funding Program	Bristol County District Attorney's Office	Upon execution – Dec. 31, 2026	$4,500.00	Beth Faunce	No match ($0.00)	To purchase a one-time search and rescue training session for Fall River Emergency Medical Services' comfort dog, Scout
Housing Works Infrastructure Program	Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities	Upon execution – June 30, 2029	$5,000,000.00	Daniel Aguiar; Paul Ferland	10% match ($500,000 in Ch. 90 funds)	To upgrade streets, sidewalks, and sewer infrastructure along Alden Street to support recent and upcoming housing developments
Congressionally Directed Spending	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	Upon execution – Oct. 1, 2027	$1,092,000.00	Paul Ferland	No match ($0.00)	To replace lead residential service lines throughout the City of Fall River to reduce lead exposure from drinking water
Congressionally Directed Spending	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Upon execution – Oct. 1, 2027	$1,300,000.00	Daniel Aguiar	No match ($0.00)	To rehabilitate streets, sidewalks, and an underutilized parklet on Columbia Street for neighborhood revitalization

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PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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FALL RIVER, MA

October 9, 2026

Council President
Members of the Honorable Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Council President Ponte,

As mayor, I will be calling a Joint Meeting of the Fall River City Council and the Fall River School Committee for 5:30pm on Tuesday, December 8, 2026, to allow the Superintendent of the Fall River Public Schools, Dr. Kathleen Smith, the ability to deliver the first "State of the Schools" address to this joint body.

I respectfully request the use of the City Council Chamber for this meeting. This will be the only item on the agenda and is expected to last no longer than thirty (30) minutes.

For any additional questions or concerns please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

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FALL RIVER, MA

PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

October 22, 2026

The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

Consistent with the requirements of MGL Chapter 150E, Section 7, I am submitting the recently negotiated Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Fall River and General Teamsters Local No. 251 which is comprised of employees of the Department of Community Maintenance.

This Agreement will become a part of the contractual obligations of their prior contracts. The Administration is grateful to the Teamsters for their willingness to collaborate and reach consensus on Agreements which are favorable to both our employees and the constituents of the City of Fall River. I respectfully request you grant an appropriation necessary to fund the cost items contained therein. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Coogan
Mayor

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

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ORDERED, that the funding of the cost items contained in the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Fall River and the Fall River Teamsters Local 251, is hereby approved.

CITY OF FALL RIVER

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

THROUGH

JULY 1, 2025 – JUNE 30, 2028

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Teamsters Local Union No. 251

GENERAL FUND	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	
Pensionable	$36,000.00	$147,726.00	$56,523.34	
Medicare – Fringe Benefit	$522.00	$2,142.03	$819.59	
Total	**$36,522.00**	**$149,868.03**	**$57,342.93**	**$243,732.96**

**The first year of the contract has a one-time payment of $1,000.00 in lieu of a retroactive payment.*

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE CITY OF FALL RIVER

AND

GENERAL TEAMSTERS LOCAL UNION NO. 251

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT is entered into by and between the City of Fall River (hereinafter "the City") and the General Teamsters Local Union No. 251 ("Union") (collectively "the Parties"):

WHEREAS, the City and the Union are parties to a collective bargaining agreement for the period of July 1, 2022 through and including June, 30 2025; and,

WHEREAS, the City and the Union have, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 150E, negotiated a successor contract for the aforementioned agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of mutual covenants and promises, the Parties agree that the following changes will be made to the Parties' July 1, 2022 through and including June 30, 2025 agreement:

1. ADD to the title page, the words "Affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Washington D.C.", modify the date the successor Agreement is entered into once known in the first paragraph on top of page 1.

2. Incorporation of MOA Terms: The agreed-upon terms and conditions reflected in the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025, be incorporated into the successor Collective Bargaining Agreement. Notwithstanding any conflicts, omissions, or inconsistencies, including any Union proposals incorporated into the final Agreement, the terms of the MOA shall govern and take precedence, unless mutually agreed upon otherwise.

3. Article I Recognition:

   Replace section 1 in entirety as follows:

   > The Employer hereby recognizes and acknowledges that the Union is the exclusive representative of all employees in the classifications and categories of work covered by this Agreement for the purposes of collective bargaining as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 150E. This includes all DPW employees working in scavenger (trash collection), patch and potholes, yard waste, recycling, heavy items, and mechanics, as well as all applicable employees of the Public Works Department of the City of Fall River in the job classifications and titles listed in Appendix A of this Agreement, including working supervisors and lead personnel who are members of the bargaining unit, such as the Supervisor of Community Maintenance. The bargaining unit shall exclude the Director of the Department, Deputy

Directors, and such other managerial or confidential employees as may be excluded by law. Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference, sets forth the job classifications and titles included in the bargaining unit.

4. Article V Wages:

Section 1:

Across the board general increase:

July 1, 2025: 2.5% - No retroactivity
In lieu of retroactive compensation for the first year of this agreement, active bargaining unit members employed any time during the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 will receive a one-time payment of $1,000.00 on a separate payroll check.

July 1, 2026: Retroactive to July 1, 2026:
Add $1.25/hour to the base rate of each grade.
Operators will receive an additional $1.00/hour ($2.25 total) on their base rate.
Concrete, Asphalt, and Working Foreman grades will receive an additional $1.00/hour ($2.25 total) on their base rate.

July 1, 2027: 2.5%

Strike the following language:

Employees' earnings shall be paid bi-weekly on Fridays

Insert:

Employees' earnings shall be paid on a bi-weekly basis on Fridays, provided that the Union reserves the right to propose a transition to weekly pay in future negotiations and the Employer agrees to meet and confer upon written request of the Union regarding any such proposal, consistent with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 148.

Section 2: Shift Differential

Effective July 1, 2026 Increase to $1.25/hour.

Section 3: Wage Reopener

"If any other City of Fall River bargaining unit receives a general wage increase in excess of the percentage increase(s) agreed to in this agreement for the corresponding fiscal year(s) covering July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028, the Parties agree to reopen this agreement for the purposes of discussing wages."

Section 4: Sick Leave Severance

Replace section in entirety as follows:

There shall be a severance benefit pertaining to accrued leave either upon resignation, termination for other than cause, retirement, or death.

Severance Benefit Defined:

- Accrued Vacation
- Accrued Personal Days
- Accrued Sick Leave – Up to sixty (60) days' buy back of accrued sick days, plus a buyback of 2% of all accrued sick days above sixty (60) days. Employees hired after ratification of this agreement will not be eligible for payment of any accrued sick leave.

Termination for Other Than Cause

Employees will receive any accrued leave upon separation from employment. Payment for such unused sick leave shall be in a lump sum payment.

Death: In the event of death while in the employ of the City, the above allowance shall be converted into the form of a cash payment to the estate of the employee.

Section 5: A(3)

Effective July 1, 2026: Lower amount of overtime hours needed to qualify to 35

$3,000 for 1 refusal
$2,500 for 2-3 refusals
$2,000 for 4-5 refusals
$1,500 for 6-7 refusals
$1,000 for 8-10 refusals
$0 for 11 + refusals

Payment will be on a separate payroll check.

Section 5: A(5)

Effective July 1, 2026: Increase Hoisting Engineer stipend from $400 to $500.

Section 5: B(1)

Effective July 1, 2026: Lower amount of overtime hours needed to qualify to 25

$2,000 for 1 refusal
$1,500 for 2-3 refusals
$1,250 for 4-5 refusals
$1,000 for 6-7 refusals
$500 for 8-10 refusals
$0 for 11 + refusals

Payment will be on a separate payroll check.

5. Article VII Holidays:

Insert the following language to the end of Section 1:

If necessary, the day after Thanksgiving will be staffed voluntarily, and employees who work shall be paid at one-and-one half (1 ½) times their regular rate of pay and shall receive one (1) additional paid floating holiday. If the City does not receive enough volunteers to work the day after Thanksgiving, employees may be ordered in by reverse seniority by assignment needed for DCM operations. Employees absent due to illness shall remain eligible for holiday pay provided they satisfy the existing medical documentation standard contained in this Agreement.

6. Article XII: Safety

Replace Article in full with the following:

Section 1. The City agrees to furnish its employees with the best vehicle and equipment available, as the City's budget and appropriations may allow, in an effort to ensure the safety, good health and general well-being of the employees. And further, the City agrees that it shall not discharge or fire, nor reprimand nor discipline, any employee who refuses to operate or use a vehicle or equipment which has been deemed unsafe or not fit for its intended purpose and use by the Registry of Motor Vehicles of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, nor shall the City cause any employee to be subjected to dangers which may threaten the life, limb and good health of said employee, and not in the usual course of his employment, unless the City and the employee shall otherwise first agree.

The City will instruct its agents or servants to give immediate consideration to any and all industrial accident claims which may be submitted by the employees covered by this Agreement in order to insure that said claims are handled as expeditiously as possible and in accordance with Chapter 152 of General Laws.
Employees shall be responsible for strict compliance with all safety rules and regulations. Violations of established safety rules and regulations may result in appropriate action against said employees up to and including suspension.

Section 2: The City is committed to ensuring employee safety and maintaining vehicles and equipment in safe and serviceable condition for all operations. The City shall strive to staff and equip its employees with proper and sufficient tools and equipment necessary to safely perform assigned duties. The Union will notify management when it believes employee safety is at risk and if additional equipment would be helpful in allowing them to perform their essential functions. In such cases, the City shall promptly review the concern and, where practicable, take corrective action to address the safety issue. The City and Union agree to confer in good faith to identify equipment or practices that reduce manual handling or prevent avoidable injury.

Section 3: Winter Months: In the event that only one (1) truck is needed to salt/sand, two (2) employees will be called in. In no circumstance shall the City dispatch less than one (1) employee to operate the loader per truck; and one (1) employee to drive per truck. Employees who plow during the winter months shall have complete discretion in whether and how to operate plowing equipment safely while on the road, including determining safe routes, methods of plowing, and length of duty time. Employees are encouraged to safely return or come to a safe resting spot when eye fatigue, eye strain, snow blindness, or other temporary limitation(s) due to weather present a risk to the public, oneself, or others.

Section 4. The City shall provide an "Industry Safety & First Aid Training" program to members. This training shall take place during normal working hours. The City shall pay a stipend of ($300.00) three hundred dollars to each employee who attends this course. Each employee must also take a renewal course when offered to continue to receive this yearly stipend.

Section 5. Inclement Weather days are those days that Government Center is closed for emergency weather conditions. Employees classified as essential who are needed for operations shall work their normal shift and be paid at their normal rate of pay. Said employees shall be given an additional paid day off as compensation which must be used within the fiscal year of occurrence but no later than June 1st of said fiscal year.

If an employee was previously scheduled to be off on the IWS day for a single vacation, personal, sick and/or family sick time, said employee does not get said vacation, personal, sick and/or family sick time credited back nor receive a float day off.

If an employee is not scheduled to work per their normal schedule during the IWS closure, said employee does not get paid an extra day nor get a float day off.

Section 6. Except in cases of emergency, when the temperature becomes oppressive, either hot or cold, or when power, water or heating failures make normal operations impracticable, the continuance of work for the duration of the shift will be at the recommendation of the supervisor and at the discretion of the employee's department head. Should the department head order the suspension of work for the remainder of the shift, the employees so relieved will be paid straight time rate until the end of their shift. Where feasible, the City shall make reasonable efforts to reassign employees to alternate duties or reporting locations until normal conditions are restored.

7. Article VIII Vacations:

Add New Section 3:

All members of the bargaining unit will select their full vacation weeks before choosing individual vacation days. Full-week selections shall occur first, in order of seniority. Once all employees have had the opportunity to select full weeks, the process will reopen for the selection of individual vacation days from the remaining available time.

8. Article IX: Leaves without loss in pay:

Add the following language to Section 2:

One (1) day off with pay to attend the funeral of an Aunt or Uncle.

9. Article XI Uniform Allowance:

A. Increase the uniform allowance to $1,000.00.

F. Replace paragraph in entirety as follows:

F. The clothing allowance shall be issued in a separate payroll check, distinct from the employee's regular wages.

10. Article XV: Job Posting and Bidding

Support staff shall be utilized only when operationally necessary and shall not be used solely due to short staffing. Under no circumstances shall support staff be used to avoid the posting of bargaining unit vacancies or bypass qualified bargaining unit members. This language is not intended to modify or diminish the current posting and bidding procedures as outlined in this agreement.

11. Article XXIV: Contract Term

Replace Section 1 in full as follows:

Section 1. Duration: The term of this Agreement shall be effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028, and shall continue from year to year in full force and effect until a successor agreement is duly executed.

The signing of this Agreement by the authorized representatives of the Union and the City shall be authorization to implement all of the provisions of this Agreement.

12. New Article XXXII : Payroll Protection

In the event of a payroll error affecting any employee, the City shall promptly investigate and correct the error. Where an underpayment has occurred, the Employer shall make reasonable efforts to issue the corrective payment as soon as practicable, consistent with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 148, and other applicable wage laws.

The parties acknowledge that the employees retain all statutory rights under Massachusetts wage laws, and nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted as a waiver of those rights.

13. New Article XXXIII: GPS Use and Employee Protections

Section 1. Purpose and Scope

GPS equipment installed in City of Fall River Department of Community Maintenance vehicles shall be used to support operational efficiency, fleet management, and employee safety related to snow and ice removal and emergency operations. GPS use shall be transparent, limited to legitimate operational purposes, and subject to the protections outlined in this Article.

Section 2. GPS Equipment and Data

(a) Data to be collected: The City may collect the following data through GPS devices installed in departmental vehicles: real-time location, travel speed, idling time, and length of stop. The City agrees that no other data elements (including audio, video, or communications) shall be collected or monitored through GPS equipment without prior written notice and bargaining with the Union.

(b) Access to GPS data: Access to GPS data shall be limited to the following positions:

- Director of Community Maintenance
- Supervisor of Community Maintenance
- Dispatcher(s)

The Director of Human Resources shall have access to GPS data only for the purpose of reviewing documented disciplinary matters, as provided in Section 4(b) below.

(c) Data retention: GPS data shall be retained consistently with the City's record retention schedule for vehicle maintenance and incident documentation, not to exceed two (2) years unless needed for ongoing disciplinary or safety investigation.

Section 3. Use of GPS for Operational and Safety Purposes

(a) GPS equipment may be used to:

- Track vehicle location during snow and ice removal operations and emergency response
- Monitor fleet efficiency and fuel consumption for cost management
- Respond to safety concerns or equipment emergencies
- Investigate accidents or incidents involving City vehicles

(b) Prohibited uses: GPS data shall not be used to monitor employee break times, meal periods, or personal time during the workday. GPS data shall not be used for general "productivity monitoring" or to micromanage routine work patterns unrelated to safety or snow/ice operations.

Section 4. GPS and Discipline

(a) No monitoring-based discipline: GPS shall not be used as the primary or sole basis for discipline. GPS data may be used only as corroborating evidence in conjunction with direct observation, a supervisor's report, or other independent evidence of misconduct.

(b) Limited disciplinary uses: GPS data may support discipline only in the following circumstances:

- Unauthorized use of City vehicles for personal purposes (e.g., using a DPW truck for non-work errands outside the assigned work area during shift, supported by location data and other evidence)
- Gross safety violations (e.g., reckless driving patterns evidenced by extreme speed or dangerous maneuvers, corroborated by external reports or accident investigation)
- Serious misuse of equipment (e.g., disabling or tampering with GPS units)

(c) Prohibited disciplinary uses: GPS data shall not be used to initiate or support discipline for:

- Idling time or "prolonged breaks" (employees are entitled to breaks under law and contract)
- Being temporarily outside the assigned job site (absent other misconduct)
- Late arrival or early departure by minutes (absent pattern abuse evidenced by other means)
- Routine traffic violations (minor speeding, lane changes) that are not reckless or dangerous

(d) Progressive discipline: Any discipline supported by GPS evidence shall follow the City's established progressive discipline provisions under just cause in the CBA. GPS-based discipline shall be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedures in Article IV of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Section 5. Pilot Program and Implementation

(a) Pilot period: GPS equipment installed in DCM vehicles shall not be used for any disciplinary purposes until January 1, 2028. During this period (ratification - December 31, 2027), GPS shall be used for operational and safety purposes only, as outlined in Section 3.

(b) Mid-pilot review: By July 1, 2027, the City and Union shall meet to discuss:

- Any operational or technical issues with GPS use
- Employee concerns and feedback regarding GPS implementation
- Proposed adjustments to this GPS Article

(c) Post-pilot transition: Effective January 1, 2028, GPS data may be used for the limited disciplinary purposes outlined in Section 4(b), subject to the protections in Section 4 (a), (c), and (d).

Section 6. Changes and Expansion of GPS Use

(a) Prohibition on unilateral expansion: The City agrees that any change to the scope of GPS use, addition of new data collection capabilities (audio, video, biometric monitoring, etc.), or expansion of GPS to additional vehicle types or work units shall require prior written notice to the Union and good-faith bargaining.

(b) No unilateral implementation: No expansion or modification to GPS technology or use shall take effect without:

- Written agreement between the City and Union, or
- A determination of lawful impasse in bargaining by the Massachusetts Employment Relations Board (CERB)

(c) Future technology: Both parties reserve the right to request bargaining over any future GPS-related or employee monitoring technology (e.g., route optimization systems, productivity dashboards, vehicle telematics) that may affect the terms and conditions of employment.

Section 7. No Waiver of Rights

This Article shall not be construed as a waiver of any statutory rights of the Union or its members under Massachusetts Chapter 150E, common law, or any other applicable federal, state, or local law. The Union and its members expressly reserve all rights under applicable privacy, surveillance, and labor law.

Section 8. Grievance and Arbitration

Any dispute regarding the implementation, interpretation, or application of this Article, including any alleged violation of the restrictions on GPS use or discipline, shall be subject to the grievance and arbitration procedure set forth in the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Section 9. Severability

If any provision of this Article is found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court or governmental agency, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

14. New Article XXXII: Cell Phone Usage and Protections

If a bargaining unit employee is required to make or receive work-related calls or texts while away from his or her assigned work location, the employee may request use of a city-issued cell phone, to be used in accordance with the City's cell phone policy.

No bargaining unit employee is required to use his or her cell phone for work-related purposes, and the employee shall not be subject to any discipline or adverse employment action for declining to use a personal phone for work-related communication.

15. Misc. Wage Adjustments

Effective July 1, 2026:

New Grade:	Sweeper CDL paid at Special C/L BS HEO
New Grade:	Sweeper Non-CDL paid at Special HMEO 1A
New Grade:	Rolloff paid at Concrete/Asphalt Laborer CDL
New Grade:	Dispatcher paid at LEO
New Grade:	General Supervisor (replaces Working Foreman of General Labor)

Brush Cutter License/Certification Additional $0.50/hour

16. New Article: Health Insurance Cost Protection – Medical Inflation Cap / Economic Reopener

If employee medical-insurance premium contributions or payroll deductions increase by more than ten percent (10%) in any plan year during the term of this Agreement, the City and the Union shall meet and confer within thirty (30) days after the Public Employee Committee approves the increase to discuss its impact on bargaining-unit employees and possible mutually agreeable relief. This provision shall not constitute a reopening of the Agreement.

17. Appendix A

Amend Appendix A to reflect negotiated wage adjustments and update titles.

This Agreement is subject to ratification by the General Teamsters Local No. 251 and full funding by the City Council.

Signed and Agreed to this 13 day of October, 2026.

FOR THE EMPLOYER

Paul E. Coogan, Mayor

FOR THE UNION:

/s/ Thomas Salvatore
Business Agent & Contract Coordinator
General Teamsters Local Union No. 251

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City of Fall River
Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor

PAUL E. COOGAN
Mayor

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2026 OCT 22 P 3:44
CITY CLERK
FALL RIVER, MA

October 22, 2026

The Honorable City Council
City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

Dear Honorable Council Members:

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B, I respectfully request that the City Council approve an appropriation of $3,107,675.80 from the City's General Stabilization Fund to eliminate the Fiscal Year 2026 Snow and Ice deficit.

This appropriation will address the outstanding deficit incurred during Fiscal Year 2026 and ensure the necessary funding is provided.

I respectfully request your favorable consideration and approval of this appropriation.

Best Regards,

Paul Coogan

Paul Coogan

Mayor

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AUDITOR
CITY OF FALL RIVER

October 22, 2026

The Honorable Paul Coogan
Mayor, City of Fall River
One Government Center
Fall River, MA 02722

RE: FY2026 Snow and Ice Deficit Funding

Dear Mayor Coogan:

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 5B, and Chapter 44, Section 31D, I respectfully request that you submit an order to the City Council authorizing the transfer of **$3,107,675.80** from the Stabilization Fund to fund the Snow and Ice deficit incurred during Fiscal Year 2026.

This transfer will provide the necessary funding to offset the FY2026 Snow and Ice deficit.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher Murphy

Christopher Murphy
City Auditor
City of Fall River

One Government Center • Fall River, MA 02722
TEL (508) 324-2200 • FAX (508) 324-2204 • EMAIL auditors@fallriverma.gov

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City of Fall River, In City Council

10/22/2026

ORDERED:

That the sum of $3,107,675.80 be, and the same is, hereby appropriated from the General Stabilization Fund to eliminate the Fiscal Year 2026 Snow and Ice Removal deficit, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 5B.

FROM:

GENERAL STABILIZATION FUND — $3,107,675.80

TO:

SNOW REMOVAL EXPENSES DEFICIT — $3,107,675.80

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City of Fall River
Massachusetts
City Council

RECEIVED
2026 OCT 20 A 11:45
CITY CLERK
FALL RIVER, MA

CLIFF A. PONTE
President
City Council

October 20, 2026

Re: Request to Forward Correspondence to the Mayor Regarding Outstanding Resolutions

Dear Councilors:

I respectfully submit this communication, the accompanying draft letter to the Mayor, and the attached list of City Council resolutions for deliberation at our next regularly scheduled meeting.

The Council Office has compiled resolutions from 2024 through 2026 requesting information or action from the Administration. Although responses or progress have been documented on certain matters, numerous resolutions remain outstanding without the requested information or confirmation of action.

I request the Council's support and approval to forward the accompanying letter and list to the Mayor, requesting a consolidated, item-by-item written response within 30 calendar days of receipt. The proposed letter requests the status of each resolution, supporting information, an explanation for any delay, and an anticipated completion date for outstanding matters.

These resolutions reflect the formal work of this body and deserve timely responses. Establishing a clear record of their disposition will help the Council fulfill its responsibilities and keep the public informed.

The attached list does not include resolutions requesting that the Administration convene with a Council committee for discussion. The Council Office is compiling those matters separately for subsequent review.

I respectfully request a vote of the Council authorizing the transmission of the accompanying letter and attachment to the Mayor.

Respectfully,

Cliff A. Ponte
President, Fall River City Council

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DRAFT

October 28, 2026

Dear Mayor Coogan:

We have compiled the attached list of resolutions from 2024 through 2026 that specifically requested information or an item from the Administration or directly resulted in a communication requesting information from the Administration.

Although the attached record reflects responses or progress on certain matters, numerous adopted resolutions remain without a documented response, the requested information, or confirmation of action. These requests should not remain pending indefinitely without an explanation to the Council and the public.

This City Council has requested that the Administration provide a consolidated, item-by-item written response **within 30 calendar days of receipt of this communication and the attached list, identifying**:

1. The current status of each resolution and the department or official responsible for responding.
2. The information, reports, documents, or other items originally requested.
3. Any action taken to date, including relevant dates and supporting documentation.
4. For outstanding matters, the reason for the delay and a specific anticipated completion date.
5. For matters on which the Administration does not intend to act, a written explanation of that decision.

Where a response has already been provided, please identify its date and provide a copy so the Council Office can reconcile its records. If the requested item cannot be completed within 30 days, a written status report explaining the delay and providing an anticipated completion date should still be submitted within that period.

These resolutions represent matters formally considered and adopted by the City Council. Timely responses are necessary for the Council to carry out its responsibilities, evaluate municipal priorities, and provide residents with meaningful accountability. Each adopted resolution requesting information or action deserves a clear response and documented follow-through.

Please submit the written response to the City Council Office for distribution to all Councilors and inclusion on a subsequent meeting agenda. The Council Office will be asked to maintain the attached list as an ongoing record of responses and outstanding items.

Your prompt attention to these outstanding matters is expected and appreciated.

Respectfully,

Cliff A. Ponte
President, Fall River City Council

cc: Members of the Fall River City Council
City Council Office

Attachment: Councilors Resolutions 2024–2026

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Topic	Filed Date	Adoption/ Referral	Status	Sponsor(s)
Updates on potential financial transparency portal to Committee on Finance	9/1/2026	9/8/2026	Adopted, resolution not placed on Committee on Finance as of yet.	Michael G. Canuel
Mae's Playground, $50,000 - Earmarked funds (requests that the Administration review park capital projects)	7/7/2026	7/14/2026	Adopted, as amended and letter sent to Administration on 7-22-26	Michael G. Canuel
Indirect Cost Agreement, Administration and School Committee convene to discuss	6/10/2026	6/23/2026	Adopted, email received and distributed from Deputy Superintendent 6-26-26	Cliff A. Ponte
Capital Improvement Plan to include PFAS turn out gear, Letter sent to Admin re: amending	4/30/2026	5/12/2026	Adopted, communication received and distributed from Fire Chief 5-26-26	Andrew J. Raposo
Cleanliness and maintenance, Administration detail in 2027 budget clear outline of resources use for	4/23/2026	4/28/2026	Adopted, FY27 Budget adopted, as amended, 7-28-26	Michael G. Canuel
VABC Veteran's Center on Pine Street, Letter sent to Admin advocating	3/25/2026	4/14/2026	Adopted, letter sent to Administration 4-16-26	Andrew J. Raposo and Christopher M. Peckham, Sr.
Expenditures not related to veteran benefits for FY26, Administration provide report detailing all	3/5/2026	3/10/2026	Adopted, as amended, Excel spreadsheet submitted by Director of Financial Services 5-15-26	Shawn E. Cadime
House Bill 4071, Work with Administration collaboratively regarding	2/6/2026	3/10/2026	Adopted, letter sent to State Officals (Mayor cc'd) 3-18-26	Shawn E. Cadime and Cliff A. Ponte
Snow and Ice vendors be paid on time	3/2/2026	3/10/2026	Adopted, no info on action taken (discussed in 2-19-26 meeting of the Committee on Public Works prior to resolution)	Shawn E. Cadime and Cliff A. Ponte
New Police Chief, Home Rule Petition for implementation of	2/19/2026	3/10/2026	Adopted, letter sent 3-18-26; Home rule petition adopted and ordinance passed to be ordained. Waiting for permanent appointment.	Michelle M. Dionne
Plan E form of government, Home rule petition for change regarding	12/4/2025	12/9/2025	Adopted, no order submitted to City Council	Michelle M. Dionne
VABC Veterans building and report findings, Administration conduct research on	10/23/2025	10/28/2025	Adopted, as amended, no information on VABC building assessment	Linda M. Pereira
EMS Enterprise Fund, Req. to Mayor to revoke Chapter 44, Section 53F 1/2 effective for start of FY27	8/25/2025	9/9/2025	Adopted, no action taken by Administration	Shawn E. Cadime and Michelle M. Dionne
Central Fire Station, Request Administration to submit appropriation order for window replacement for	7/3/2025	7/15/2025	Adopted, no appropriation order on record specifically submitted by Administration	Shawn E. Cadime
Automatic External Defibrillator, Request Administration conduct assessment re:	7/3/2025	7/15/2025	Adopted, no information on assessment made	Shawn E. Cadime
Creation of 5 member Review Committee, Sec 9-15 of City Charter, req Mayor to	6/24/2025	6/24/2025	Adopted, no information on special five member Committee form to satisfy 9-15 of Charter	City Council
Traffic study near South Main Street/Downtown area, Request the Administration conduct a	6/11/2025	6/24/2025	Adopted, no information on traffic study conducted	Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
Water service customers and bring results to City Council by end of 2025, Administration analyze potential	3/27/2025	4/8/2025	Adopted, new resolution filed by Councilor Hart and adopted, 8-12-25 (sent to the Committee on Finance)	Linda M. Pereira and Paul B. Hart
Bank Street Armory, Request feasibility study for	12/3/2024	12/3/2024	Adopted, Financial Order 2026-05 approved 5-28-25 for feasibility study (no information on if/when feasibility study took place) but discussions held in Committee on Real Estate (former name)	Cliff A. Ponte
Disbursement funds for litigation, Request Administration and Corporation Counsel prepare report regarding	4/1/2024	4/9/2024	Adopted, email from Corporation Counsel with response forwarded to City Councilors 5-3-24	Linda M. Pereira
American Rescue Plan Act projects and current status, Request the Administration provide presentation on all	1/17/2024	1/23/2024	Adopted, as amended, Presentation held on 3-12-24. Binder provided October 7, 2026. Former ARPA Director provided update in June 2025.	Laura Jean Sampson

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

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(Vice President Michelle M. Dionne)

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Fall River, as follows:

That Chapter 50 of the Code of the City of Fall River, Massachusetts, 2018, which chapter relates to Personnel be amended as follows:

Section 1

By striking out in Section 50-302, which section relates to the Salary schedules for contract personnel, the following:

	Grade	Effective Date	Salary
Chief of Staff Mayor's Office	CHOF	7/1/2022	Per contract

Section 2

By inserting in Section 50-303, which relates to Salary schedules for political appointments and boards/committees, the following:

	Grade	Effective Date	Step 1
Chief of Staff Mayor's Office	CHOF	12/1/2026	$60,000 per annum

(Councilor Andrew J. Raposo)

WHEREAS, it was announced that grocery rides for seniors have been temporarily suspended due to lack of drivers, and

WHEREAS, this program is currently under the direction of the Office of Veteran's Services and should be under the Department of Health and Human Services, and

WHEREAS, the ride program for seniors is a separate program from the ride program for veterans, and

WHEREAS, vehicles designated for veteran use have been used for other purposes, and should be expanded for appointments and other needs for veterans, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Ordinances and Legislation convene with the City Administrator, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Health and Human Services, the Director of Financial Services and the Director of Veteran Services to discuss a reorganization of this program under the correct department, and to clarify the usage of these vehicles going forward.

(filed 10-9-2026)

City of Fall River, *In City Council*

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(Councilor Andrew J. Raposo)

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Regional Transit Authority (SRTA) bus terminal is an important transportation hub for residents, commuters, students, seniors, individuals with disabilities, and visitors to the City of Fall River, and

WHEREAS, ongoing issues with trash and litter at and around the terminal have created unsanitary conditions, raised public health and safety concerns, and negatively impacted the surrounding neighborhood, and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the importance of maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming public transportation facility and encourages cooperation between SRTA and appropriate City departments to address these concerns, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Committee on Public Safety meet with representatives of SRTA, the City Administrator, the Director of Community Maintenance, and the Chief of Police to discuss immediate and long-term measures to improve cleanliness, sanitation, and public safety at the facility, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that City departments work with SRTA to address these concerns and that SRTA provide a written response outlining corrective actions, implementation timelines, and ongoing maintenance procedures to ensure the facility remains clean and safe, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Administrator of SRTA, the Mayor of the City of Fall River and other appropriate officials.

(filed 10-20-2026)

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City of Fall River
Notice of Claim

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2026 OCT -9 A 9:52
CITY CLERK
FALL RIVER, MA

#26-162

1. Claimant's name: Fernando Cabral
2. Claimant's complete address: 2 Orchard St. Fall River, MA 02723
3. Telephone number: Home: 774-301-2708 Work: _____
4. Nature of claim: (e.g., auto accident, slip and fall on public way or property damage):
   City Truck side swiped mirror.
5. Date and time of accident: 08/25/26 Amount of damages claimed: $ 512.16
6. Exact location of the incident: (include as much detail as possible):
   149 Columbia St. Fall River, MA 02721
7. Circumstances of the incident: (attach additional pages if necessary):
   Car was parked and city truck side swiped my driver side mirror.
8. Have you submitted a claim to any insurance company for damages arising from this incident? If so, name and address of insurance company: ☐ Yes ☑ No

Be sure to attach the original of any bills issued or any written estimates of repair or replacement costs. (Any documents that you provide will become the property of the City of Fall River; therefore, please retain copies of any such documents for your files.) Attach any other information you believe will be helpful in the processing of your claim (for example, names and addresses of any witnesses, written medical records if personal injury was sustained).

I swear that the facts stated above are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: 10/09/26 Claimant's signature: Fernando Cabral

WHEN TO FILE: If your claim is based on a defect in a public way, you must file within 30 days of the incident. If your claim is based on the negligence or wrongful act or omission of the City or its employees, you must file within two years of the incident. PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.

Return this from to : City Clerk, 2nd Fl., One Government Center, Fall River, MA 02722

You should consult with your own attorney in preparing this claim form to understand your legal rights. The Office of the Corporation Counsel is unable to provide legal assistance to private citizens.

For official use only:
Copies forwarded to: ☑ City Clerk ☑ Law ☑ City Council ☐ City Administrator ☐ DCM Date: 10/9/26

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FALL RIVER, MA

#26-163

City of Fall River
Notice of Claim

1. Claimant's name: Paula M. Soares
2. Claimant's complete address: 70 Adams St Somerset MA 02726
3. Telephone number: Home: 508-7892104 Work: _____
4. Nature of claim: (e.g., auto accident, slip and fall on public way or property damage):
   Property damage
5. Date and time of accident: September 21, 2026-5:00 Amount of damages claimed: $2,990.92
6. Exact location of the incident: (include as much detail as possible):
   On bedford street right after the old police station
7. Circumstances of the incident: (attach additional pages if necessary):
   see attachments
8. Have you submitted a claim to any insurance company for damages arising from this incident? If so, name and address of insurance company: ☐ Yes ☑ No

Be sure to attach the original of any bills issued or any written estimates of repair or replacement costs. (Any documents that you provide will become the property of the City of Fall River; therefore, please retain copies of any such documents for your files.) Attach any other information you believe will be helpful in the processing of your claim (for example, names and addresses of any witnesses, written medical records if personal injury was sustained).

I swear that the facts stated above are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: October 1, 2026 Claimant's signature: Paula M Soares

WHEN TO FILE: If your claim is based on a defect in a public way, you must file within 30 days of the incident. If your claim is based on the negligence or wrongful act or omission of the City or its employees, you must file within two years of the incident. PLEASE KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.

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FALL RIVER, MA

City of Fall River
Notice of Claim

#26-164

1. Claimant's name: Filomon CARVALHO
2. Claimant's complete address: 30 Mayflower Rd Norton MA 0276
3. Telephone number: Home: 5086637220 Work: _____
4. Nature of claim: (e.g., auto accident, slip and fall on public way or property damage):
   Auto accident claim
5. Date and time of accident: 8/9/26 1:45 AM Amount of damages claimed: $ 1000
6. Exact location of the incident: (include as much detail as possible):
   Pothole located in between Whipple St. and Cottages
7. Circumstances of the incident: (attach additional pages if necessary):
   Traveling on Whipple St towards Cottage St. Then hit pothole.

   Driver Paulo FINA
8. Have you submitted a claim to any insurance company for damages arising from this incident? If so, name and address of insurance company: ☑ Yes ☐ No
   Liberty Mutual 175 Berkeley St Boston MA 02116

Be sure to attach the original of any bills issued or any written estimates of repair or replacement costs. (Any documents that you provide will become the property of the City of Fall River; therefore, please retain copies of any such documents for your files.) Attach any other information you believe will be helpful in the processing of your claim (for example, names and addresses of any witnesses, written medical records if personal injury was sustained).

I swear that the facts stated above are true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: 10/2/2026 Claimant's signature: Filomon Carvalho

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City of Fall River
Notice of Claim

#26-165

1. Claimant's name: Subroclaims obo Geico aso Ryan Watts
2. Claimant's complete address: 28150 N Alma School Pkwy #103-642 , Scottsdale AZ 85262
3. Telephone number: Home: 800-949-5655 Work: _____
4. Nature of claim: (e.g., auto accident, slip and fall on public way or property damage):
   Auto Accident- Subrogation
5. Date and time of accident: 07/13/2026, 2:06 pm Amount of damages claimed: $ 5,501.35
6. Exact location of the incident: (include as much detail as possible):
   80 Williams S Canning Blvd, Fall River MA
7. Circumstances of the incident: (attach additional pages if necessary):
   The insured vehicle was parked and unoccupied, The officer was backing up their vehicle and backed up into the insured vehicle. Police report attached.
8. Have you submitted a claim to any insurance company for damages arising from this incident? If so, name and address of insurance company: ☑ Yes ☐ No
   Subroclaims obo Geico Ins. Claim # 0656265040000007

Be sure to attach the original of any bills issued or any written estimates of repair or replacement costs. (Any documents that you provide will become the property of the City of Fall River; therefore, please retain copies of any such documents for your files.) Attach any other information you believe will be helpful in the processing of your claim (for example, names and addresses of any witnesses, written medical records if personal injury was sustained).

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Date: 10/02/2026 Claimant's signature: Kaitlin Ingraham obo GEICO

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