



**CITY OF SOMERSWORTH**  
*Office of the City Manager*

**TO:** Mayor Dana Hilliard and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Robert M. Belmore, City Manager  
**DATE:** Friday, April 18, 2014  
**SUBJECT:** City Manager's Report for Monday, April 21, 2014  
City Council Agenda

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*6:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop*

*Re: Workshop with our Contracted Assessor/Assessing Firm, Corcoran Consulting Associates, Inc., to Discuss the Recommended Real Estate Property Revaluation and Continuing Cycled Inspection Program.*

Attached is a memorandum from Wil Corcoran outlining the programs to be discussed.

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***Lay on the Table (under Section 12 of Agenda)***

- A. Ordinance No. 14-14 FY 2014-2015- Budget.** Attached is the revised Ordinance as amended by City Council. The attached memorandum provides a new projected City tax rate estimate and tax cap analysis. I have also provided a Memorandum outlining health insurance premium adjustments that the City Council may want to consider in your deliberations.

***Unfinished Business (under Section 13 of Agenda)***

**Ordinances:**

- A. Ordinance No. 13-14 Amending Chapter 19, Zoning Ordinance, Tables 4.A.3.9, 4.A.3.10 and 4.A.3 to Permit Chickens in All Residential Districts Provided that Certain Minimum Criteria have been Met. (In Committee).**

**Resolutions:**

- A. Resolution No. 29-14 To Demolish the Former Police Station and Establish a City Park. (Referred to Committee).** Attached is a proposed Amendment from the Public Works & Environment Committee. Note: These action items will need further City Council action to provide funding should it pass.
- B. Resolution No. 39-14 Vote to Authorize a Comprehensive Study to Examine the Need for the Construction of a New Fire Station.** The City's 2015-2020 CIP document does acknowledge the need for a new fire facility.

## *New Business (under Section 14 of Agenda)*

### Ordinances:

- A. Ordinance No. 15-14 Amend Chapter 13, Police Offenses, Section 3.1.D No Parking Anytime.**
- B. Ordinance No. 16-14 Amend Chapter 13, Police Offenses, Section 3.1.F Time Limited Parking.** These Parking Ordinance Amendments, No. 15-14 & No. 16-14 are temporary amendments to provide added parking options for the duration of the DTN Construction Projects.
- C. Ordinance No. 17-14 Amend Chapter 19, Zoning Ordinance, by Adding a New Section 31 Backyard Chicken Ordinance.** This Committee recommendation is forwarded to the full City Council from the Public Works & Environment Committee (3-1 vote). City Attorney Walter Mitchell has reviewed the language. He offers one (1) recommendation: in Section 19.31.D, Revocation/Renewal of Permit, item #1, add “or of any violation of conditions of approval”.
- D. Ordinance No. 18-14 Amend Chapter 19, Zoning Ordinance, Section 25, Definitions.**
- E. Ordinance No. 19-14 Amend Chapter 19, Zoning Ordinance, Table 4.A.5 Principal Uses.** These Committee recommendations are forwarded to the full City Council from the Economic Development Committee (3-0 vote). Ord. No. 18-14 and No. 19-14 are companion Amendments.

### Monday, May 5, 2014

*I recommend Public Hearings be held prior to the next regular City Council meeting starting at 6:30p.m. moving from one hearing to the next: Ordinances 15-14, 16-14, 17-14, and 18-14.*

*SAU Superintendent Jeni Mosca requests a meeting with the City Council to discuss a tentative agreement with one of the School Department’s Unions prior to a possible vote at the next Council meeting. I would suggest a non-meeting/private meeting with her negotiating team at 6:00p.m.*

### Other:

- A. Reconsideration of Resolution No. 36-14 Authorizing the City Manager to Sell City Tax Deeded Property at 116-118 Green Street.** Attached is a very preliminary “Draft” letter to solicit Realtor proposals to list and market these tax deeded properties. We would also advertise for proposals. I will delete this property should Council decide not to reconsider or decide not to approve its sale. The other properties have already received City Council approvals.

## *City Manager’s Items (under section 10 of Agenda)*

### **A. Information Items:**

- 1. Police Department Grants.** I am pleased to report that the three (3) Highway Safety Grants being awarded to the City for traffic enforcement related efforts (copies are attached):
- Red Light Running - \$5,148.00
  - DWI/DUI Patrols - \$6,786.00
  - Enforcement Patrols (motor vehicle violations during a set time, either morning or evening) - \$5,148.00

### **B. Attachments:**

1. City Attorney Certifications Four (4). 2. City Department Monthly Reports.