

Agenda
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, October 19, 2026
Council Chambers
6:30 p.m. Caucus – Meeting to immediately follow the Caucus
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Meeting Called to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

NB: Meeting being recorded.

Roll Call: **Council:** Muflahi, Anderson, Meegan, Surdyke, Marrano

Dept. Heads: Law, Development & Marketing, Public Works (E), Public Safety, Comptroller, Recreation(E)

Hearings from Citizens:

Approval of Minutes: of the regular meeting of October 5, 2026 as written.

Departmental Reports:

1. **City Comptroller** – A/P Check listing #7, dated 10/5/2026.
2. **City Clerk's Office** – Monthly Report, dated 9/1/2026 – 9/30/2026.

Communications from the Council:

3. **Council Member Muflahi** – Requests s discussion regarding the current status of the City Council's vote to adopt NYS Veterans Property Tax Exemption RPTL 458-a(11).

Communications from Division/Department Heads:

4. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the bid from Frey Electric for the Senior Center Improvements Project and the ordinance for this CDBG Grant. Frey was the only bid received. The amount of the bid was \$145,473. This project is funded through the Community Block Grant program.

4(A) An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances allocating budgeted funds in the amount of \$150,000 to budget line "Senior Center Upgrades/Repairs (CDBG)".
5. **Sr. Foreman, Public Works** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance to transfer funds between budget lines.

5(A) An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances transferring funds in the amount of \$5,237.50 from the "Special Revenue Fund Garbage and Refuse – Repairs and Replacements" to budget line "Special Revenue Fund Garbage and Refuse - Garbage Totes".
6. **Director of Public Safety** – Requests the City Council authorize the sale of a 2020 Ford Police Interceptor. Proceeds will be placed in the Police Dept. Operating Budget.

7. **Director of Purchasing** - Requests the City Council enter into a 2-year contract for electricity with Next Era Energy Services and a 2-year contract with Mirabito Power & Gas, LLC for gas and for Mayor to sign both contracts.
8. **Fire Chief Fino** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance creating a budget line and advance funds regarding the DASNY grant sponsored by Senator April Baskins in the amount of \$50,000. The grant will be used to renovate the kitchen at Fire House #3 located on South Park Avenue. The City will be reimbursed once the work is complete.

8(A) An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances adding Budget Code to the Capital Fund “Renovation to the Firehouse #3 Kitchen (DASNY)” and allocating budgeted funds in the amount of \$50,000 to this budget code.
9. **Fire Chief Fino** – Requests the City Council approve the ordinance creating a budget line and advance funds regarding a DASNY grant sponsored by Assemblyman John Rivera in the amount of \$250,000. The grant will be used to purchase new portable radios, firehouse gear lockers and install a water line for a fire hydrant at the training tower. The grant will reimburse the City after the work is completed.

9(A) An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances adding Budget Code to the Capital Fund “Purchase Emergency Equipment and Install Water Line and Hydrant (DASNY)” and allocating budgeted funds in the amount of \$250,000 to this budget code.
10. **Assistant City Attorney** – Submits to the City Council Proposed Local Law no. 1, 2026 – Alternative Veterans’ Real Property Tax Exemption under RPTL § 458-a(11); Assessor’s Fiscal Impact Report and Implementation Procedures.

Request to Waive the Rules:

A. Mayor Iafallo – Requests the City Council approve the resolution regarding the proposed use of the Community Development Block Grant for 2027-2028.

A (1) A resolution approving the use of the Community Development Block Grant Program for upgrades and repairs for the Lackawanna Community and Senior Center for the 2027*2028 grant cycle.

B. Assistant City Attorney – Requests the City Council approve the bond resolutions and ordinance associated with the Police/Court Facility and Demolition of the former City Hall Extension.

B (1) An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances adding Budget Code “South Park Police Station and Court Building (Bond)” to the Capital Fund and transferring \$375,000 from the Capital Fund to Budget Code “South Park Police Station and Court Building (Bond)”.

Business Registration:

Paramount Auto LLC, Harieth Alkadi, 2839 South Park Ave., Towing and Recovery.

Tabled Items: Remove from the TABLE item #6 which was tabled at the October 5, 2026 Council meeting.

Senior Foreman, Public Works – Requests the City Council approve CPL as the architectural and engineering firm for the City Hall Extension Demolition Project and approve the ordinance adding a new General Fund Budget Code.

An ordinance amending the 2026-2027 Budget Ordinances and adding to the General Fund Budget Code “Demolition of 714 Ridge Rd Orange Extension (Bond)” and transferring \$194,000 for the proposed professional services and fees to this new Budget Code.

Old Business:

Adjournment:

Persons wishing to speak before the City Council shall provide their name, address and limit their comments to three (3) minutes on agenda items only. Please direct any comments to the Council President. To place an item on the agenda, persons shall submit their correspondence to the City Clerk’s Office in a signed letter or via email (cityclerk@lackny.com) with **full address and phone number contained therein**, and must be received PRIOR to 12:00 noon on the Wednesday preceding the meeting. The City Council has the final approval of all agenda items. If attending the meeting in person, please silence your cell phones and gentlemen remove your hats. Commentary and actions shall always be respectful of the City Council, Department Heads and fellow citizens or you will be escorted from Chambers.

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