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Aldermanic Chamber

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From: Dorothy Clarke, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Re: Expanded explanation of statement in analysis of O-26-002 ("Allowing electronic public comment for people with walking disabilities") regarding existing ADA process

4. INTERVIEWS

Arts Commission

Michael McDowell (new appointment)
217 Main Street
Nashua, NH 03060

Term to Expire: June 9, 2029

Historic District Commission

Marnie Gordon
69 Concord Street
Nashua, NH 03064

Term to Expire: July 16, 2029

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Alderman-at-Large Amber Morgan
Alderman-at-Large Alicia Gregg
Alderman Thomas Lopez

AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF SECONDHAND DEALERS

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R-26-049

Endorsers: Alderman-at-Large Alicia Gregg
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman Klee
Alderwoman Vengerflutta Smith
Alderman-at-Large Michael B. O'Brien, Sr.
Alderman Richard A. Dowd
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ESTABLISHING A HOMELESS SERVICES GAP ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

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O-26-018

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Alderman Thomas Lopez

REMOVING THE TOTAL TIME LIMIT FOR THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS DURING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

O-26-021

Endorsers: Alderman Paula Johnson
Alderman Tim Sennott
Alderman-at-Large Amber Morgan

INCREASING THE INDIVIDUAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME DURING THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

10. TABLED IN COMMITTEE

Arts Commission

Judith Carlson (re-appointment)
15 Manchester Street
Nashua, NH 03064
- tabled at 5/4/26 meeting

Term to Expire: April 1, 2029

O-26-002

Endorsers: Alderman Paula Johnson
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons
Alderman Tim Sennott

ALLOWING ELECTRONIC PUBLIC COMMENT FOR PEOPLE WITH WALKING DISABILITIES

- tabled at 3/2/26 meeting

O-26-004

Endorsers: Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
Alderwoman Vengerflutta Smith
Alderman Tim Sennott
Alderman Thomas Lopez

REPEALING THE PROHIBITION ON CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

- tabled at 5/4/26 meeting

O-26-005

Endorsers: Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly
Alderman Tim Sennott
Alderman Thomas Lopez

REPEALING THE PROHIBITION ON CAMPERS AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES ON PUBLIC PROPERTY
- tabled at 5/4/26 meeting

11. PUBLIC COMMENT
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13. REMARKS BY THE ALDERMEN
14. ADJOURNMENT



**OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL
CITY OF NASHUA**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Aldermen

FROM: Dorothy Clarke, Deputy Corporation Counsel *Dorothy*

CC: ADA Coordinators, Risk Management Department

DATE: July 22, 2026

RE: Expanded explanation of statement in analysis of O-26-002 ("Allowing electronic public comment for people with walking disabilities") regarding existing ADA process

Alderman Johnson has indicated that the Personnel / Administrative Affairs Committee wanted to further understand a statement in the analysis section of O-26-002 ("Allowing electronic public comment for people with walking disabilities") that noted that the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) would allow a person to request the ability to remotely participate in a public meeting if they had a qualifying disability and the request was determined to be a reasonable modification.

Title II of the ADA requires local governments to give people with disabilities an equal opportunity to benefit from their programs, services, and activities. Local governments can't deny people with disabilities the chance to participate or make them participate in different programs than available to others.

Local governments are required to make reasonable modifications of policies, practices, and procedures, which would be changes to the way things are typically done. However, a local government does not have to take any action that would cause a fundamental alteration in the nature of its program or activity or impose an undue financial and administrative burden. An "undue burden" is something that causes a great deal of difficulty or expense. If the modification would cause an undue burden, the public entity must look for another way to provide the benefit or service.

The ADA is applied on an individual, case-by-case basis. Under the ADA, case-by-case specifics are important in figuring out how the law applies.

Public entities that have 50 or more employees are required to have a grievance procedure and to designate at least one responsible employee to coordinate ADA compliance. The ADA Coordinator's role is to coordinate the government entity's efforts to comply with the ADA and investigate any complaints that the entity has violated the ADA. The Coordinator serves as the point of contact for individuals with disabilities to request auxiliary aids and services, policy modifications, and other accommodations or to file a complaint with the entity.

The City's ADA Coordinators are Jen Deshaies and Ross Dugas in the Risk Management Department. As stated on the City's website:

“Requests

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communications, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service or activity of the City of Nashua's, should contact an ADA Coordinator in the Risk Management Department as soon as possible, preferably at least 10 days before the scheduled event.”

In summary, there is an existing process to request an ADA accommodation from the City's ADA Coordinator to speak during a public meeting via zoom. Based on the specifics of any particular request, the City will need to determine if the request is for a qualified individual with a disability, and is for a reasonable modification which does not result in a fundamental alteration in the essential nature of the program or service or impose an undue financial and administrative burden.

Vassar, Emily

From: noreply@civicplus.com
Sent: Monday, May 11, 2026 6:11 PM
To: Mayor Web Forms; Sullivan, Matthew
Subject: Online Form Submittal: Volunteer For A Board or Commission Form

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Volunteer For A Board or Commission Form

First Name	Michael	
Last Name	McDowell	
Your Email Address		Redaction of private email address pursuant to 91-A:5,IV, confidential information and disclosure would constitute invasion of privacy
Phone Niumber		Redaction of private telephone number pursuant to 91-A:5,IV, confidential information and disclosure would constitute invasion of privacy
Address	217 Main St	
City	Nashua	
State	NH	
Zip Code	03060	
Board or Commission Applying For:	Arts Commission	
Add Your Own Notes and Comments	I want to serve our community better, through the very thing that has kept me going and given me purpose.	
Upload Resume or CV (.txt, .pdf, .doc, .ods)	Michael McDowell Arts Commission Resume.pdf	
Upload Letter of Intent (.txt, .pdf, .doc, .ods)	Field not completed.	

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Statement of Interest

The arts have played a vital role in providing purpose, fulfillment, healing, and connection throughout my life. I hope to bring a creative and community-focused perspective to the Arts Commission through my background in music, entrepreneurship, recovery advocacy, and public engagement. I am eager to help strengthen and expand opportunities for artistic expression within our community for both current and future generations.

Michael McDowell

Nashua, New Hampshire

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Professional & Community Summary

Lifelong artist, musician, entrepreneur, and community advocate with over 30 years of involvement in music, live entertainment, visual arts, and community-centered initiatives. Passionate about strengthening access to arts, culture, and creative expression for all ages, particularly youth and individuals seeking positive community connection. Experienced in business leadership, event culture, marketing, and public engagement, with a strong commitment to fostering inclusive and inspiring artistic spaces.

Artistic & Creative Experience

- Active participant in the music and entertainment community for over 30 years
- DJ since age 15, performing at numerous festivals, events, and community gatherings
- Experienced musician with background in accordion, piano, and guitar
- Participated in drama club, theater productions, and stage performance throughout school years
- Lifelong involvement in painting, visual creativity, and artistic expression

Community & Business Leadership

Owner & Operator — The Spot (Present)

Created and operate a non-alcoholic entertainment hub in downtown Nashua focused on community, music, arts, and sober social connection.

Owner — Devoted Repairs (5 Years)

Founded and built an automotive repair business from the ground up. Awarded "Best Repair Shop" by The Telegraph in 2022.

UPS Delivery Driver (Approximately 10 Years)

Developed strong communication, reliability, and customer service skills while serving the community daily.

Community Involvement

- Active in the recovery community for over 15 years
- Nearly 20 years clean and sober
- Passionate advocate for positive community engagement, healing through creativity, and accessible artistic opportunities

Skills & Strengths

Community Engagement • Music & Entertainment Culture • Event Promotion • Graphic Design & Branding • Marketing & Social Media • Public Relations • Leadership • Relationship Building

From: noreply@civicplus.com
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2026 3:07 PM
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First Name	Marnie	
Last Name	Gordon	
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Phone Niumber		Redaction of private telephone number pursuant to 91-A:5,IV, confidential information and disclosure would constitute invasion of privacy
Address	69 Concord St.	
City	Nashua	
State	NH	
Zip Code	03064	
Board or Commission Applying For:	Historic District Commission	
Add Your Own Notes and Comments	I would like to be considered for an appointment to the Historic District Commission. As a resident of the district and someone who has worked with the Commission on several renovation projects at my home, I have firsthand experience navigating the historic district guidelines. I believe this experience would enable me to provide valuable insights and assistance to property owners seeking to improve their homes while preserving the district's character and integrity.	
Upload Resume or CV (.txt, .pdf, .doc, .ods)	<u>M Gordon resume 03-23-26 (4).doc</u>	
Upload Letter of Intent (.txt, .pdf, .doc, .ods)	Field not completed.	

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Marnie L. Gordon

69 Concord St.
Nashua, NH 03064
[REDACTED]

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OBJECTIVE:

With more than 20 years of combined experience in Executive Sales, Team Leadership/Management, Training, and Analysis, my goal is to obtain a position within the Enterprise Sales or Value Consulting Teams as an individual contributor or team leader.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS:

- More than five years of successful SaaS sales experience selling HCM platforms and Talent Acquisition SaaS & services to C-Suite and key stakeholders in a 'hunter' role.
- Discovery, development, and delivery of content and presentations that bring high perceived value for a solution through mapping features to critical business issues, communicating the benefits financially, finding differentiation from alternatives/competitors, and overcoming perceived internal/external obstacles.
- Seasoned platform presentation skills; e.g., developing and delivering unique and compelling value and vision presentations to all account stakeholders across an organization, from the C-suite to the individual user.
- Analysis of unique data sets & KPIs to create selling opportunities, measure customer platform success, identify upsell and cross-sell deals, and drive sales processes to signature.
- Ability to engage and develop trusting client relationships to ensure customer success and prevent customer attrition.
- 12 years of Leadership: leading, training, and coaching complete sales processes for a team of 10 sellers to achieve sales goals. Develop strategies specific to market conditions to exceed sales while managing operational budgets. Develop individuals for promotional opportunities and manage underperforming employees for success or otherwise.
- Board Member, Greater Nashua YMCA: providing guidance to Finance, Properties, and Fundraising committees.

SAAS & SERVICES SALES EXPERIENCE:

11/2014 - 10/2017: **KRONOS / UKG:** Sales Executive, Manufacturing Vertical

06/2019 - 08/2020: **WFI / DELOITTE:** Partner Sales Executive, Kronos SaaS implementation and support services

06/2021 - 07/2023: **FIRST ADVANTAGE CORP.** Enterprise Sales Executive, Business Services Vertical

As a sales hunter for the organizations noted above, success is measured by: exceeding sales quotas and activity metrics; the acquisition of net-new/new logo customers each quarter; lead generation and prospecting to the C-suite and all functional stakeholders within organizations; presentation selling of impact, value and financial benefit of SaaS platforms and services; coordination of and management of agreed upon sequences of events that drive deal closure; building strong relationships/partnerships with prospects/new customers and their staffs to drive cross-sell and up-sell business opportunities and prevent customer attrition. Additional responsibilities include development of sales content, materials and presentations that solve unique critical business issues, and trade show participation.

Achievements:

- Kronos: 2014 - 2017: HCM SaaS platform
 - Achieved 97% to goal. First year Ramp
 - Closed 1st 'HR-only' Kronos deal in the US.
 - Closed the largest Full-suite SaaS/HCM opportunity: 2016
 - 100% to goal 2016/2017
- First Advantage 2021 – 2023: Screening SaaS platform and services
 - 2021 - 2022: Sales plus Ramp: 100% to goal
 - 2022 - 2023: 108% to goal

SALES LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

ALLERGAN PHARMACEUTICALS, CA (3/07 – 11/14)

Senior Area Sales Manager, New England – NY

Hire, train and lead a team of 10 Territory Managers; drive \$20 million in annual Area Revenue and 10% annual product growth. Recruit and develop Key MD Opinion Leaders to speak on behalf of products and services at regional and national events. Success navigating large hospitals/institutions and practices to expand product utilization across multiple therapeutic areas. Develop key metrics to manage sales effectiveness, improve strategy and monitor performance vs. objectives.

Achievements:

2008: President's Club - #2 Sales Manager Nationally; Phoenix Award - Most growth achieved vs. previous year
2009: 3 of 5 Area Territories achieved President Club status
2012: Finished #1 - Product Nationally; Phoenix Award: Most growth achieved vs. previous year
2014: Inherited historically poor performing glaucoma portfolio and delivered top 30% ranking within 8 months.

NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICALS, NJ (3/99 – 3/07)

District Sales Manager, Boston, MA; Raleigh, NC (7/02 – 3/07)

Responsibilities include hiring, training, and coaching a team of ten representatives to grow portfolio performance within a challenging managed care marketplace, and develop talent into leadership positions within the organization.

Achievements:

- Improved portfolio performance from #11 to #1 of 12 districts within the region. (Apr '06-Mar '07)
- Improved Raleigh, NC District portfolio performance within nine months to the top 10th percentile in the nation.
- Mentored/promoted a total of five representatives to specialty sales positions or corporate training positions.
- 2002, 2004, 2005 and 2006 Year-end performance rewarded with Novartis Stock Options
- Participation: Management Leadership, Development, and Succession board

Novartis Corporate Training Manager, Quincy, MA (9/00 – 7/02)

Effectively train new and tenured representatives on professional selling skills, products and disease states, effective territory management, business analysis and strategy, and managed care. On-camera talent for sales training video series.

- Assist with design, implementation, negotiation and budget management of the Tufts University, Centers of Excellence - Sales Workshop training; Manage all aspects of training workshops, including product and selling skills content/agenda development and presentation delivery for classes ranging from 20 -300 attendees. Responsible for negotiating large hotel contracts, budget management, scheduling and logistics. And people and crisis management, e.g. 9/11/2001 WTC terrorist attack.
- Recipient of the 2001 Business Excellence Award: Acting Regional Training Director - Centers of Excellence Training.

Novartis Sales Consultant, NH/ME (3/99 – 9/00)

Surpassed sales performance quotas and metrics selling multiple, metabolic disease therapeutics.

*Promoted into Novartis Corporate Training Department, East Hanover 9/00

TROUPE VIDEO DESIGN & PRODUCTION, Windham, NH

Sales and Marketing Associate, NH/MA (3/95 – 3/99)

Sales & Marketing role promoting multimedia services for television, radio and print advertisement for corporate marketing and training programs. Additional roles: production assistant & voice over talent.

EDUCATION:

Southern NH University - B.A. English Literature

Additional Training/Education:

Challenger Sales Training; Professional Platform Speaking Skills training with Consultant with <https://tamarajacobs.com/>, Situational Leadership; Four Roles of Leadership, Franklin Covey and Ken Blanchard Professional Leadership training
HR: Targeted Selection

***References Available on Request**



ORDINANCE

AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF SECONDHAND DEALERS

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part II “General Legislation”, Chapter 220 “Pawnbrokers and Secondhand Dealers”, Section 220-2 “Definitions” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be and hereby is further amended by deleting the struck-through language and adding the new underlined language as follows:

“§ 220-2 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

COLLECTIBLES – Tangible personal property that is commonly acquired and traded based on rarity, age, condition, provenance, or association with a recognized category of collection, and not primarily for ordinary utilitarian or functional use, including but not limited to: stamps, sports and entertainment memorabilia, comic books and graphic novels, miniature figures, tabletop gaming materials, role-playing game books and guides, and collectible toys and figurines.

COMMODITY METALS – Any metal traded on the commodity market that sells for \$0.50 per pound or greater, including, but not limited to, gold, silver, platinum, brass, copper, copper alloy, aluminum, stainless steel, rhodium, palladium, titanium and magnesium. Commodity metals shall not include numismatic coins, currency and precious metal coins and ingots.

...

PROPERTY - Anything of value, including but not limited to jewelry, watches, clocks, diamonds or other precious stones or gems, gold, silver, platinum, other precious metals or commodity metals, musical instruments and equipment, cameras, furs, fur coats or other kinds of wearing apparel, televisions, DVD players, videocassette recorders and other electronic equipment, tools, computers and computer equipment, firearms, auto accessories and office and store fixtures and related equipment. Property shall not include

secondhand furniture, ~~or books,~~ numismatic coins, currency and precious metal coins and ingots, trading cards, and collectibles.

SECONDHAND DEALER –

- A. Any person, firm, partnership or corporation whose business is the retail buying, selling, buy-back, exchanging, dealing in or dealing with secondhand articles and property. Secondhand dealers are regulated according to New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 322.
- B. However, the definition of “secondhand dealer” shall not apply to any person, firm, partnership, or corporation who does not purchase secondhand articles directly from the general public; or whose primary business is the purchase and sale of numismatic coins, currency and precious metal coins and ingots, trading cards, or collectibles.

TRADING CARDS – Printed or manufactured cards intended for collection, gameplay, or display, whether sold individually or in sealed products, including but not limited to sports cards, entertainment cards, and trading card game products.”

This ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE:

O-26-012

PURPOSE:

Amending the definition of secondhand dealers

ENDORSERS:

Alderman Tim Sennott

Alderman-at-Large Amber Morgan

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

FISCAL NOTE:

None.

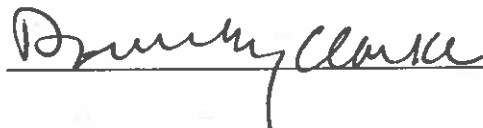
ANALYSIS

This legislation amends several of the definitions in the "Pawnbrokers and Secondhand Dealers" chapter of the ordinances to redefine who will be considered secondhand dealers under the ordinances.

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By:



Date:





RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING A HOMELESS SERVICES GAP ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand Twenty-Six

WHEREAS, homelessness is a complex community challenge that requires coordinated, evidence-based responses across city government, nonprofit providers, and community stakeholders;

WHEREAS, the City of Nashua's public health department, welfare department, nonprofit service providers, and the Greater Nashua Continuum of Care each play critical roles in addressing homelessness, and that a coordinated, community-wide strategy would strengthen the collective impact of these existing efforts;

WHEREAS, a formal gap analysis of Nashua's homeless services landscape would identify service deficiencies, duplications, and opportunities to better align city resources with the work of nonprofit partners;

WHEREAS, best practices in municipal homeless response recognize that collaboration across city government, nonprofits, and the community is essential to an effective and sustainable response; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen finds it in the public interest to convene a representative committee to conduct such a gap analysis and report its findings and recommendations to the Board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that a Homeless Services Gap Analysis Committee be established as follows:

(a) Purpose. The Committee shall conduct a comprehensive gap analysis of the City's current homeless services system. The analysis shall: (1) identify gaps and unmet needs in emergency shelter, mental health and substance use services, housing pathways, and street outreach; (2) assess opportunities to strengthen coordination among city departments and

nonprofit service providers; (3) draw on evidence-based best practices from peer municipalities to inform recommendations; and (4) produce formal recommendations to strengthen the City's homeless services response.

(b) Membership. The Committee shall consist of the following members:

1. Two (2) members of the Board of Aldermen, appointed by the President of the Board of Aldermen;
2. The Mayor or the Mayor's designee;
3. The Division Director of Public Health and Community Services or designee;
4. Two (2) representatives of nonprofit homeless service providers operating in the City of Nashua, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen;
5. One (1) individual with lived experience of homelessness, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen.

(c) Operations. Appointed members shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. The Committee shall elect a chairperson by majority vote and may adopt bylaws as necessary to regulate its affairs. The Division of Public Health and Community Services shall provide administrative support to the Committee, including but not limited to posting notice of meetings and preparing and posting minutes.

(d) Report. The Committee shall deliver its gap analysis report and formal recommendations to the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen no later than ninety (90) days following the appointment of its members. Upon delivery of its report, the Committee shall disband.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION:

R-26-049

PURPOSE:

Establishing a Homeless Services Gap Analysis Committee

SPONSOR(S):

Alderman-at-Large Alicia Gregg

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

FISCAL NOTE:

Administrative support cost.

ANALYSIS

This resolution establishes a Homeless Services Gap Analysis Committee that would be disbanded after delivering a report as described in the legislation. This committee is subject to NH RSA Chapter 91-A, the "Right-to-Know Law".

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Donna Clarke

Date: 6 July 2026



ORDINANCE

REMOVING THE TOTAL TIME LIMIT FOR THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS DURING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part I “Administrative Legislation”, Chapter 5 “Administration of Government”, Part 2 “Board of Aldermen”, Article III “Rules and Order of Business”, Section 5-14, “Order of business” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by deleting the struck-through language as follows:

“§ 5-14. Order of business.

...

B. Meetings of committees of the Board of Aldermen shall include the following:

(1) Public comment at the beginning of the meeting, which comments shall be germane to the meeting’s agenda, ~~and shall be limited to 30 minutes total unless there are others who wish to speak, and then may be extended by a majority of the public body present for a time certain;~~

(2) Public comment at the end of the meeting ~~shall be for a period not to exceed 15 minutes;~~ and

...”

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

This legislation shall take effect following its passage.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE:

O-26-018

PURPOSE:

Removing the total time limit for the public comment periods during committee meetings

ENDORSERS:

Alderman Derek Thibeault

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

FISCAL NOTE:

None.

ANALYSIS

This ordinance removes the total time limit for the public comment periods during meetings of committees of the Board of Aldermen.

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 15 June 2026



ORDINANCE

INCREASING THE INDIVIDUAL PUBLIC COMMENT TIME DURING THE FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part I “Administrative Legislation”, Chapter 5 “Administration of Government”, Part 2 “Board of Aldermen”, Article III “Rules and Order of Business”, Section 5-14, “Order of business” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by deleting the struck-through language as follows:

“§ 5-14. Order of business.

...

- C. Public comment allowed in Subsections A and B above shall be conducted as follows:

...

- (5) Each speaker is limited to speaking once per public comment period and is limited to ~~three~~ five minutes during the first public comment period and three minutes during the second public comment period, which time may not be deferred to another speaker or speaker;

...”

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

This legislation shall take effect following its passage.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE:

O-26-021

PURPOSE:

Increasing the individual public comment time during the first public comment period

ENDORSERS:

Alderman Paula Johnson

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

FISCAL NOTE:

None.

ANALYSIS

This ordinance increases the individual's public comment time from 3 minutes to 5 minutes during the first public comment period.

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 8 July 2026

Judith Carlson

CEO, Carlson Consulting Group

Ms. Carlson is a freelance writer, editor and public relations consultant. She brings extensive senior management experience, creativity and insight gained from over 25 years in marketing, advertising and public relations at FORTUNE 50 high tech companies, followed by over 20 years consulting with start-ups, small businesses, educational institutions and non-profit organizations. Prior to that, Ms. Carlson was a journalist at the Bangor (ME) Daily News and Hannibal (MO) Courier Post. She has been an active member of the Nashua Arts Commission for nine years, is a founder and secretary of Nashua Community Arts, and serves as the Secretary for the Nashua Center for the Arts Board of Trustees.

Ms. Carlson formerly was president of the Boston Chapter of the Business/Professional Advertising Association, served on the Nashua Historic District Commission, and served on the Nashua Performing Arts Center Steering Committee. She was a board member of Symphony NH, the NH Philharmonic, the Friends of the Hunt Memorial Building and City Arts Nashua where she served as vice president and member of the executive and finance committees. She has attended numerous workshops by the NH Center for Nonprofits, including financial management, board recruitment and governance, and holds a BS in journalism and political science from the University of Maine. Ms. Carlson and her husband Robert moved to Nashua in 1973, raised their daughter in the Nashua school system, and have lived in the Historic North End since 1976.



ORDINANCE

ALLOWING ELECTRONIC PUBLIC COMMENT FOR PEOPLE WITH WALKING DISABILITIES

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part I “Administrative Legislation”, Chapter 5 “Administration of Government”, Part 2 “Board of Aldermen”, Article III “Rules and Order of Business”, Section 5-14 “Order of business”, subsection C of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by adding the new underlined language as follows:

“§ 5-14. Order of business.

...

- C. Public comment allowed in Subsections A and B above shall be conducted as follows:

...

(12) Any person with a “walking disability” as defined in New Hampshire RSA 261:88 may electronically participate in public comment, if, at least three (3) business days prior to an upcoming meeting, the person notifies the Board of Aldermen’s office of their intent to participate in public comment at a specific meeting, and provides a copy of their current walking disability placard or satisfactory medical documentation.

...”

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE: O-26-002

PURPOSE: Allowing electronic public comment for people with walking disabilities

SPONSOR(S): Alderman Paula Johnson

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT: Personnel/Administrative Affairs Committee

FISCAL NOTE: Minimal administrative cost.

ANALYSIS

This legislation amends the public comment rules by allowing any person with a “walking disability” as defined in New Hampshire RSA 261:88 to electronically participate in public comment, if, at least three (3) business days prior to an upcoming meeting, the person notifies the Board of Aldermen’s office of their intent to participate in public comment at a specific meeting, and provides a copy of their current walking disability placard or satisfactory medical documentation. NH RSA 261:88 is related to walking disability plates and placards, and subsection I (c) defines a “walking disability”.

Although the Board has voluntarily established public comment periods, public comment is not required by the NH Right-to-Know Law (RSA Chapter 91-A.) NRO §5-14, C (8) allows written comments to be submitted prior to a meeting. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) would allow a person to request the ability to remotely participate in a public meeting if they had a qualifying disability and the request was determined to be a reasonable accommodation.

Approved as to form: Office of Corporation Counsel

By: 

Date: 3 February 2026



ORDINANCE

REPEALING THE PROHIBITION ON CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part II “General Legislation”, Chapter 225 “Peace and Good Order” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by deleting the struck-through language as shown:

“ARTICLE IV Camping on Public Property

§ 225-6. Prohibition.

- A. ~~It shall be unlawful for any person to use or cause to be used any of the streets, sidewalks, squares or any other public property as a camping place absent prior written permission from the Board of Aldermen or its designee. As used in this section, the term “camp” or “camping” shall mean the use of property as a temporary or permanent place of dwelling, lodging or residence, or as a living accommodation at any time, that has not been authorized by the Board of Aldermen or its designee. Camping may include, but is not limited to, any one or more of the following: storage of personal belongings; using tents, tarps or other temporary structures for sleeping or storage of personal belongings; hanging clothes line; carrying on cooking activities or making any fire in an unauthorized area; or any of such activities in combination with either sleeping or making preparations to sleep (including but not limited to the laying down of cots, cushions, sheets, blankets, sleeping bags or other bedding for the purpose of sleeping).~~
- B. ~~Whenever coordinated enforcement of subsection A, above, is planned reasonable notice shall be provided to the occupants thereof by means of signage, handbills, or oral, in person discourse fifteen (15) days prior to the enforcement activity.~~
- C. ~~If in the course of any enforcement action, city agents or employees come into custody or possession of any person’s personal papers, reasonable efforts shall be made to return such property to its rightful owner. For purposes of this subsection “personal papers”~~

~~means documents of identification including drivers license, professional licenses, birth certificates, passports and similar items as well as financial documents including bank statements, insurance policies and declarations, credit and debit cards, wills, cash, bills and invoices and similar items.~~

~~D. — The requirements of subsections B and C above are not elements of the offense described in subsection A, above, nor shall any failure to adhere to such requirements constitute a defense.”~~

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE:

O-26-004

PURPOSE:

Repealing the prohibition on camping on public property

ENDORSER(S):

Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Committee on Infrastructure

FISCAL NOTE:

Reduced enforcement costs.

ANALYSIS

O-25-079, Amended, which was passed by the Board of Aldermen on October 28, 2025, added a new article to the Peace and Good Order chapter of the Nashua Revised Ordinances prohibiting camping on public property. This legislation would repeal O-25-079, Amended.

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By:

Dorothy Clarke

Date:

26 March 2026



ORDINANCE

REPEALING THE PROHIBITION ON CAMPERS AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six

The City of Nashua ordains that Part II “General Legislation”, Chapter 320 “Vehicles and Traffic” of the Nashua Revised Ordinances, as amended, be hereby further amended by deleting the struck-through language as shown:

1. In Article I “General Provisions”, Section 320-1 “Definitions”:

“§ 320-1. Definitions.

The following terms, whenever used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

~~CAMPER—A temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation use including:~~

~~A.—TRAVEL TRAILER—A vehicle which is towed, identified by the manufacturer as a travel trailer, built on a chassis eight feet or less wide and 30 feet or less in length and designed to move on a highway.~~

~~B.—PICKUP COACH—A structure designed to be mounted on a truck chassis or cut-down car.~~

~~C.—MOTOR HOME—A self-propelled vehicle with a dwelling constructed as an integral part of the vehicle.~~

~~D.—CAMPING TRAILER—A canvas or other foldable structure built on a chassis with wheels and designed to move on the highway.~~

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~~RECREATIONAL VEHICLE—A vehicle that is:~~

- ~~A. Built on a single chassis;~~
- ~~B. Four hundred square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;~~
- ~~C. Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light-duty truck; and~~
- ~~D. Designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use.”~~

2. In Article XIII “Parking, Stopping and Standing”:

~~“§ 320-77.2. Campers and recreational vehicles.~~

- ~~A. It shall be unlawful for any camper or recreational vehicle to park or remain on any public property, except on public streets where and when parking is otherwise permitted.~~
- ~~B. Regardless of the fines listed in Section 320-87, any person violating this section shall be fined \$100.00.~~
- ~~C. This section shall not apply to recreational vehicles or campers used by city employees, city contractors, or permitted vendors in the performance of their official duties.”~~

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2026

ORDINANCE:

O-26-005

PURPOSE:

Repealing the prohibition on campers and recreational vehicles on public property

ENDORSERS:

Alderwoman-at-Large Shoshanna Kelly

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

Committee on Infrastructure

FISCAL NOTE:

Reduced enforcement costs.

ANALYSIS

O-25-080, which was passed by the Board of Aldermen on October 28, 2025, used the definitions of camper and recreational vehicle as found in the City's land use code to prohibit campers and recreational vehicles from parking or remaining on any public property, except on public streets where and when parking is otherwise permitted. This legislation would fully rescind O-25-080.

Approved as to form:

Office of Corporation Counsel

By: Dorothy Clarke

Date: 26 March 2026