

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS  
City Clerk's Office  
January 9, 2014

I hereby notify you that at twelve noon today the following items of business have been filed with this office and will be acted upon at the meeting in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, Tuesday evening January 14 at seven-thirty o'clock according to Section 8, Rules and Orders of the City Council.

Marilyn Gomeau  
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
January 14, 2013

Roll Call

Moment of silent prayer

The Pledge

Hearing of Visitors

Approval of the minutes of regular meeting held on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Approval of the minutes of the Organization of Government held on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

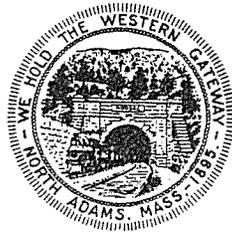
- 11,345 Council Rules of Order for the year 2014 which were presented at the Organization of Government.
- 11,346 Mayor's communication #1 regarding workshops for City Councilor's.
- 11,347 Mayor's communication #2 regarding updates for ADA compliance.
- 11,348 Mayor's communication recommending the bonding levels for various departments.
- 11,348 An Order establishing the bond for the City Treasurer/Tax Collector at \$250,000 for FY'13.
- 11,348-1 An Order establishing the bond for the Assistant City Treasurer at \$62,500 for FY'14.
- 11,348-2 An Order establishing the bond for the City Clerk at \$15,000 for FY'14.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**LICENSES**

An application submitted by Heath Buffin, 65 River Street to drive taxi for Tunnel City Taxi.

**COUNCILLOR'S & MAYOR'S CONCERNS  
OPEN FORUM**



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor  
Richard J. Alcombright

January 14, 2014  
#1

To: North Adams City Council  
Re: Informational meetings

Dear Honorable Members:

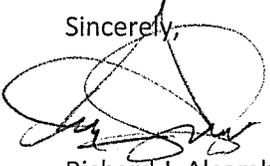
With five new Councilors, I thought it might be helpful to offer a series of “workshops” beginning in January with meetings to be held on agreed upon dates and times. These workshops would involve the following:

1. **January – Department Heads** - bring in all department heads and have them give a 5-8 minute overview of their departments and duties performed....to include City Hall, Library, Senior Center, Public Safety and School Department. The result of this session would make you more aware of departmental functions and familiarize you with the Department Heads.
2. **February – Infrastructure** – an overview of the major infrastructure issues....water and sewer, retaining walls, bridges, dams, roads, equipment, public safety building, ADA compliance, transfer station and Hoosac Water Quality District. Mike Canales, Tim Lesarbeau and I can cover this meeting and I would be certain to have a presentation that will give you both a visual and fiscal understanding of our issues.
3. **March - Budget** – review of the process, formulation, major expenditure categories, receipts, free cash and reserves, classification/compensation plans and school budgets. Our financial TEAM, Superintendent Montepare and I would go through processes as well as an overview of the financial documents. This would be well timed as we will be just entering the process with FINCOM and the Council.

4. **April – VISION 2030 Master Plan** - review of the plan, relevance, major categories, future impact on planning and zoning, etc. – Mike Nuvalie, Mackenzie Greer and I would present.

We can discuss this at the meeting and if this is something that interests Councilors, we can discuss dates that will be convenient.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard J. Alcombright', written over a large, loopy scribble.

Richard J. Alcombright

Mayor



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor  
Richard J. Alcombright

January 14, 2014  
#2

The Honorable City Council  
Re: ADA Update

As part of the settlement agreement between the United States Government and the City of North Adams an annual report is due in October detailing the progress we have made addressing the accessibility issues within our community. The City submitted our first annual report to the Department of Justice in November, due to the sequester they requested we wait until then.

I have included a short report outlining our progress during the first year of the settlement agreement and Michael Canales, Chief Administrative Officer, will be present to discuss the progress to date. The full report itself is over five hundred pages which for the most part includes technical drawings, receipts, photos and the bid documents for phase two of the ADA Sidewalk Compliance Project. If any councilors want a copy of the full report please contact Michael Canales.

Sincerely

Richard J. Alcombright  
Mayor



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor  
Richard J. Alcombright

January 14, 2014

#3

The Honorable City Council  
North Adams, Massachusetts

Re: Bonding Levels-City Officials

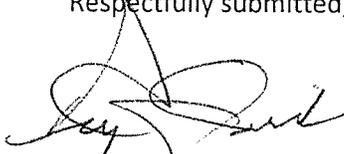
Dear Honorable Members:

Each year at this time Commissioner of Revenue Navjeet Bal sets forth the minimum bonding levels for the various city officers whose bonding is required by the State statute.

In conformance with the various relevant statutes, the amount of bond for the City Treasurer/Tax Collector has been established at \$250,000; the Assistant Treasurer at \$62,000; and the City Clerk at \$15,000.

Orders to that effect are enclosed and their approval is recommended.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard J. Alcombright  
Mayor



# City of North Adams

In City Council

..... January 14, 2014 .....

— Ordered: —

That under the provisions of Section 35 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, the amount of bond for the City Treasurer/Tax Collector be established at \$250,000 for the year 2014.



# City of North Adams

In City Council

January 14, 2014

Ordered:

That under the provisions of Section 13 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, the amount of bond for the City Clerk be established at \$15,000 for the year 2014.



# City of North Adams

In City Council

January 14, 2014

Ordered:

That under the provisions of Section 39A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, the amount of bond for the Assistant Treasurer be established at \$62,500 for the year 2014.