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MAYOR

Andrew B. Holmstrom 43 Metcalf St.

MAYOR'S OFFICE STAFF

W. Danforth Hayes, Secretary
 Helen L. Carlson, Assistant Secretary

COUNCILLORS

Ralph E. Duffy 2 Massachusetts Ave.
 Andrew B. Holmstrom 43 Metcalf St.
 Israel Katz 44 Moore Ave.
 James J. Marshall 34 May St.
 James D. O'Brien 4 Hawthorne St.
 Emile L. Rousseau 1 Waycross St.
 Paul E. Soulliere, Jr. 21 Beeching St.
 Thomas C. Sweeney 11 Plantation St.
 George A. Wells 59 Clark St.

Russell T. Ober, Clerk

City of Worcester

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, 1952

Finance—Entire City Council.

Military Affairs—Councillors Wells,
Marshall and Rousseau.

Ordinances and Legislative Matters
—Entire City Council.

Public Assistance — Councillors
Sweeney, Katz and Duffy.

Public Safety—Councillors Marshall,
Wells and O'Brien.

Public Service — Councillors Rous-
seau, Marshall and Soulliere.

Public Works — Councillors Duffy,
O'Brien and Sweeney.

Traffic — Councillors Katz, Wells
and Soulliere.

City Officers

Under the Plan E form of govern-
ment the City Manager shall make all
appointments in the departments,
commissions, boards and offices of the
city, except as otherwise indicated.

***City Manager**

Francis J. McGrath
John M. Coughlin, Budget Officer
Mary E. Gardiner, Secretary

****City Clerk**

†Assistant City Clerks

First—Russell T. Ober
Second—Helen M. Defino

**††City Treasurer and Collector of
Taxes**

Harold J. Tunison

†††City Solicitor

Archibald M. Hillman

*Elected by the City Council.

**By vote at City Election, Nov. 7, 1939,
placed under Civil Service.

***Vacancy caused by resignation of Mal-
colm C. Midgley.

†Appointed by the City Council. Revised
Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.

††By vote at State Election Nov. 5, 1940,
placed under Civil Service.

†††Appointed for two years. Term expires
April 1, 1952, Revised Ordinances 1951,
Chap. 2.

- *First Assistant City Solicitor**
Harry J. Meleski
- *Second Assistant City Solicitor**
Henry P. Grady
- *Third Assistant City Solicitor**
Richard W. Mirick
- *Fourth Assistant City Solicitor**
††Arthur F. Koskinas
- **City Auditor**
Aubrey S. Batstone
- ***City Messenger**
Michael F. Walsh
- Clerk of Committees**
(City Clerk, ex-officio)
- ***Commissioner of Public Works**
Earl R. Perry
- Bureau of Engineering**

Chief Engineer
Bureau of Public Buildings
Willard Hedlund Supt.

Bureau of Street Lighting
Horace H. Bigelow, Acting Supt.

Bureau of Sewers
Paul C Hedenstad, Supt.

*Appointed for two years. Terms expire April 1, 1952. Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.

**Elected by the City Council triennially. Term expires first Monday in January, 1953. Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.

***Term expires January, 1954.

††Appointed to fill unexpired term of Matthew R. McCann, Jr., resigned.

Bureau of Streets
John F. Donohue, Supt.

Bureau of Water
Charles B. Hardy, Supt.

***Purchasing Agent**
George A. Herpich

***†Assessors of Taxes**
Joseph W. Carney, Chairman
Term expires 1954

Archie J. Horne, Clerk
Term expires 1953

Alfred A. Bianchi
Term expires 1955

****Director of Veterans' Service**
Eulick F. Ward

*****Custodian of Tax Title Property**
George J. Fox

*Appointed under provisions of an ordinance passed April 20, 1950. (Now Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2).

**Appointed under G. L. Ch. 115, Sec. 10. Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 15

***G L. Chap. 60, Sec. 77B.

*†G. L. Chap. 41, Sec. 24.

City Physician

Appointed for term of three years.
Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.

Dr. Carlo P. Benaglia
Term expires Feb., 1954

Personnel Director

Appointed under the provisions of
an ordinance passed Dec. 8, 1949. (Now
Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.)

Eugene R. Gardiner
Term expires Sept., 1954

**Inspector of Milk, Butter, Cheese,
Lard and Vinegar**

Appointed by the Board of Health,
under Sec. 33 of Chap. 94 of the Gen-
eral Laws.

George D. Melican

†Sealer of Weights and Measures

Austin L. Kennedy

**†Deputy Sealers of Weights and
Measures**

John W. Brotherton
John Balkonus
Edward L. McAuliffe
John F. McLaughlin
James E. Walsh
John E. Hassett
Timothy J. Reardon

†By rule of Civil Service Commissioners
placed under Civil Service. G. L. Chap. 98,
Sec. 34

******Dog Officer**

Herbert W. Cooper

***Fence Viewers**

Stanford L. Strogoff
James L. Clifford
Benjamin G. Strukus

***Field Driver**

Leonard W. Russell

***Pound Keeper**

Leonard W. Russell

****Local Superintendent for the Sup-
pression of Gypsy and Brown Tail
Moths**

Herman B. Adams

*****Forest Warden**

Herbert F. Travers

Inspector of Animals

Appointed in March annually, pur-
suant to Sec. 15, Chap. 129, of the
General Laws.

James E. Masterson

*Appointed annually in accordance with
Chap. 49 of the General Laws.

**Appointed annually in January, in ac-
cordance with Chap. 132 of the General
Laws.

***Appointed annually in January, in
accordance with Chap. 48 of the General
Laws.

****Appointed annually in accordance
with Chap. 140 of the General Laws.

Labor Registrar Clerk
Mabel M. Sullivan

***Engineers of the Fire Department**

Appointed to hold office during good behavior. Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 5.

Herbert F. Travers	Chief
Roy H. Stevens	Deputy Chief
William M. Carroll	Deputy Chief
Stephen J. Kelliher	Deputy Chief

District Chiefs

Edward J. Foley	James P. Fanning
John F. Nevins	James E. Cavanaugh
Oscar A. Lundquist	John J. Corcoran
Francis P. Cavanaugh	

**Superintendent of Fire Alarm
Telegraph**

Appointed by the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department.

Chief of Police

Appointed under the provisions of an ordinance passed December 1, 1900, (now Chap. 13, Revised Ordinances of 1951), to hold office during good behavior.

William P. Finneran

*See Chap. 144 of Acts of 1935 re. Civil Service.

Appointed under provisions of Revised Ordinances of 1951, Chap. 5.

Deputy Chiefs of Police

Appointed under the same provisions as the Chief of Police.

Oscar W. Johnson	Supervisor
Daniel J. Sullivan	Inspector
Jeremiah T. O'Leary	
Patrick F. Carroll	

Board of Appeals

Constituted pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance (so called) passed Dec. 29, 1924 (now Chap. 21 of Revised Ordinances 1951). One member appointed in January, annually for three years.

Philip F. Coe	Term expires January, 1953
George J. Lian	Term expires January, 1954
George J. Abdella	Term expires January, 1955
Francis S. Bailey	Alternate Member Term expires January, 1954

Commissioner of Public Health

Appointed in January, in accordance with Chap. 591 of the Acts of 1941, for a term of five years.

Dr. Alexander Witkow
Term expires January, 1955

Advisory Health Board

Appointed in January in accordance with Chap. 591 of the Acts of 1941, for terms of three years.

Dr. A. Eugene Messier
Term expires January 1, 1953
Dr. Franklyn P. Bousquet
Term expires January 1, 1954
Mary A. Melican
Term expires January 1, 1955

License Board

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 8 of the Revised Ordinances of 1951.

Willard Hedlund, Chairman
Supt. Bureau of Public Buildings
Russell T. Ober
Acting City Clerk
Herbert F. Travers, Chief Engineer
of the Fire Department
Earl R. Perry, Commissioner of
Public Works
William P. Finneran, Chief of Police
Russell T. Ober, Clerk

Off-Street Parking Board

Appointed in accordance with an ordinance passed July 10, 1951 for terms of four years.

Edward L. Clifford, Chairman
Term expires July, 1953

Arthur W. Johnson, Secretary
Term expires July, 1956
Edward C. Maher
Term expires July, 1954
Adeard W. Thibeault
Term expires July, 1955
Chief of Police
City Traffic Engineer
City Planning Director
Members ex-officiis

Planning Board

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 41, Sec. 81A of the Gen. Laws as amended. Members appointed annually for terms of five years.

Edward Early, Chairman
Lester W. West, Secretary
Lester W. West
Term expires June, 1954
Andrew H. Holt
Term expires June, 1953
Edward Early
Term expires June, 1952
Russell W. Anderson
Term expires June, 1956
Thomas F. J. Dillon
Term expires June, 1955

*City Planning Director
Charles E. Downe

*Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2.

Board of Public Welfare

Appointed in accordance with an ordinance passed Jan. 18, 1950 (now Chap. 15 of Revised Ordinances 1951) for terms of three years.

Edward A. Kennedy, Chairman

Term expires January, 1954

Herman E. Johnson

Term expires January, 1955

Mrs. Herbert Layport

Term expires January, 1953

Gerhard Becker

Director of Public Welfare

Superintendent of Brookside Home

Elected by the Board of Public Welfare

Ellery E. Royal

Registrars of Voters

Except the City Clerk, one member appointed in February or March, annually, for three years. (G. L. Chap. 51).

Emil Zaeder, Chairman

Term expires 1954

Joseph A. Sootkoos

Term expires 1953

Albin L. Bjork

Term expires 1955

Russell T. Ober, ex-officio, Acting Clerk

Worcester Retirement Board

Constituted pursuant to Chapter 32 of the General Laws, Sects. 26 to 31 I (Accepted by the city May 8, 1944). One member appointed by the City Manager, one member of the system elected by the members. (G. L. Chap. 32, Sec. 31F).

Aubrey S. Batstone, City Auditor
ex-officio

Kenneth P. Higgins (second member)
Term expires Jan. 1, 1954

Paul H. Fell (third member)
Term expires Dec. 31, 1954

***Sewerage Appeal Board**

Paul P. Spaulding
Term expires April 30, 1954

Edward F. Donohue
Term expires April 30, 1953

Ex-officiis

Earl R. Perry, Commissioner of
Public Works

Dr. Alexander Witkow, Commissioner
of Public Health

Archibald M. Hillman, City Solicitor

*Two members appointed for terms of two years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 16).

Airport Commission

Appointed under the provisions of Chapter 613 of the Acts of 1946, for terms of three years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2)

Robert W. Stoddard, Chairman
Term expires June, 1952

Henry A. Allen, Secretary
Term expires June, 1953

Timothy S. Shea
Term expires June, 1954

John F. Tinsley
Term expires June, 1954

Thomas F. Killeen
Term expires June, 1955

**John W. Coghlin
Term expires June, 1953

*Ralph F. Gow
Term expires June, 1953

Commissioners of Hope Cemetery

One member appointed annually, for three years. (Revised ordinances 1951, Chap. 2).

Charles A. Harrington, Chairman
Term expires January, 1954

*Appointed to fill unexpired term of Wallace T. Montague, resigned.

**Appointed to fill unexpired term of James J. Conroy, resigned.

Linwood M. Erskine, Secretary
Term expires January, 1955

Joseph W. Riordan
Term expires January, 1953

Timothy Flaherty
Term expires January, 1953

Clayton B. Angell
Term expires January, 1955

Insurance Commission

Established by Ordinance passed Jan. 27, 1941. One member appointed for term of two years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2).

Percy D. Betterley
Term expires January 31, 1953

Ex-officiis
Aubrey S. Batstone, City Auditor
Willard Hedlund, Supt. Bureau of
Public Buildings

Commissioners of the Jaques Fund and Other Funds of the City Hospital

One member appointed annually, for three years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 4).

Anthony J. Karpawich, Chairman
Term expires January 1, 1954

Israel Josephs
Term expires January 1, 1953

*James P. Loughlin
Term expires January 1, 1955
Harold J. Tunison, Treasurer

Lake Quinsigamond Commission

Two members appointed in accordance with Chapter 181 of the Acts of 1936 for terms of three years.

Walter J. Moossa, Chairman
Term expires 1953
Dr. Alfred N. Belisle
Term expires 1955
Chief of Police (ex-officio)

License Commission

One member appointed in January, in accordance with Chap. 461 of the Acts of 1914, for terms of four years.

Charles F. Donnelly, Chairman
Term expires January 1, 1954
Henry C. Alarie
Term expires January 1, 1956
Michael E. Cosgrove
Term expires January 1, 1953

Parks and Recreation Commission

Appointed in accordance with Chap. 204, of the Special Acts of 1917, for terms of three years.

*Appointed to fill unexpired term of James B. McNamara, resigned.

M. Joseph Stacey, Chairman
Term expires May, 1953
Alfred A. Saltus, Secretary
Term expires May, 1955
Mrs. Lillian N. Shea
Term expires May, 1954
William J. Regan
Term expires May, 1953
Francis J. Logan*
Term expires May, 1953
Mrs. Dorothy L. Salter
Term expires May, 1954
George A. Debs
Term expires May, 1955

Director and Executive Officer

Herman B. Adams
*Louis G. McGoldrick, Military
Substitute

Traffic Advisory Commission

Established by Ordinance passed March 20, 1951.

Appointed for terms of two years.

William P. Finneran
A. Wallace Gove
Israel Katz
Judge Walter D. Allen
Henry P. Grady
Charles E. Downe

Nelson P. Wood
 Maurice T. Lawler
 Howard B. Jefferson
 Howard W. Hindes
 Carl R. Engel
 Harold F. Murphy
 Stephen A. Bergin
 Lincoln W. Stoddard
 William F. Brennan

Executive Committee

Israel Katz, Ch. Traffic Committee
 William P. Finneran
 A. Wallace Gove
 Walter D. Allen
 Nelson P. Wood

Directors of the Free Public Library

Two members recommended by City Manager and chosen by City Council, in December annually, for a term of six years from the first day of January next ensuing. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 14).

James J. Joyce, President
 Term expires 1954

Gabriel A. Namen, Secretary
 Term expires 1953

C. Clifton Hosmer Term expires 1953
 William S. Italiano " " 1954
 Anthony G. Cusick " " 1955
 Samuel Gurwitz " " 1955

Martin J. Armstrong " " 1956
 Gerald C. O'Toole " " 1956
 Carl E. Wahlstrom " " 1957
 Thomas F. Fleming " " 1957
 John Jeppson " " 1958
 Edward F. O'Brien " " 1958

Thurston Taylor, Librarian

Trustees of the Aaron and Lucretia Bancroft Scholarship Fund

One member recommended by the City Manager and chosen by City Council, biennially, for six years.

Reginald Washburn

Term expires February, 1957

Harry J. Meleski

Term expires January 31, 1953

Dr. John J. Goldsberry

Term expires January 31, 1955

Trustees of the City Hospital

Appointed annually, for three years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 4).

N. Myra (Glazier) Kenney, President
 Term expires 1954

Archibald R. LeMieux, Secretary
 Term expires 1953

Cosimo J. Toscano
 Term expires 1953

Dr. Walter M. Mulvihill
 Term expires 1952

Frank E. Colesworthy
Term expires 1952

Trustees of Belmont Hospital

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 276 of the Acts of 1939. Members appointed in January, annually, for terms of three years.

Philip F. Mulvey, President

Thomas J. Early, Secretary

Samuel C. Gwynne

Term expires February, 1953

Philip F. Mulvey

Term expires February, 1954

Thomas J. Early

Term expires February, 1952

Members, Ex-Officiis

Dr. Alexander Witkow

Commissioner of Public Health

Members of Advisory Health Board

Dr. A. Eugene Messier

Dr. Franklyn P. Bousquet

Trustees for G. A. R. Memorial Hall

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 29 of the Acts of 1930. Appointed to serve for terms of three years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2).

Thomas F. Foley, Chairman

Term expires November 24, 1953

Alice K. Kallman, Clerk
Term expires November 24, 1954

*Dr. George C. Dowd

Term expires November 24, 1953

George F. Fuller

Term expires November 24, 1954

George J. Cross

Term expires November 24, 1952

Trustees of Independent Industrial Schools

Constituted pursuant to an ordinance passed February 1, 1950. Members appointed for terms of three years. (Revised Ordinances 1951, Chap. 2).

Norman L. Sharfman, President

Term expires 1953

Irene E. Dumphy, Clerk

" " 1954

Milton P. Higgins " " 1954

George F. Wright " " 1955

John J. Ladden " " 1955

Trustees of Joseph and Mary Jackson Scholarship Fund

One member recommended by City Manager and chosen by City Council

*Appointed to fill unexpired term of E. Walter Smith, deceased.

in accordance with the will of Mary Jackson, for terms of five years.

Ragnar W. Gustafson
Term expires December, 1955

Dr. Arthur D. Ward
Term expires December, 1956

Atty. Don Day Swain
Term expires December, 1952

Trustees of Municipal Memorial Auditorium

Appointed under provisions of Chap. 41, Sec. 105 of General Laws, for terms of three years.

Matthew R. McCann, Chairman
John T. Sheehan, Secretary

Matthew R. McCann
Term expires June, 1954

Albert E. Hall
Term expires June, 1955

James J. Redican
Term expires June, 1955

John T. Sheehan
Term expires June, 1953

Charles Kotsilibas Davis
Term expires June, 1953

Andrew B. Holmstrom, Mayor
Ex-officio

Housing Authority

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 484 of the Acts of 1938, (now G. L. 121, Sec. 261C and 26L also Acts 1951, Chap. 322). Four members appointed by the City Manager and one member appointed by the Housing Board. To serve for terms of five years.

Raymond P. Harold, Chairman

Members appointed by City Manager

Joseph A. Gentile

Term expires November 2, 1953

David M. Hayes

Term expires November 2, 1954

Raymond P. Harold

Term expires November 2, 1955

Samuel J. Donnelly

Term expires November 2, 1952

Member appointed by Housing Board

Lawrence H. Fisher

Term expires November, 1956

Trustees of Trust Funds

Constituted pursuant to Chap. 2 of the Revised Ordinances of 1951. One appointed in January, annually, for two years.

John J. Flynn

Term expires January, 1954

Edward Medlinsky
Term expires February 1, 1953

Secretary and Treasurer
Harold J. Tunison

Trustees of World War Memorial

Constituted pursuant to an ordinance passed January 21, 1935. (Now Chap. 2 of Revised Ordinances of 1951). Members appointed annually, for terms of three years.

Joseph W. O'Connor, Chairman
Term expires February, 1955

Frank R. Crotty, Secretary
Term expires February, 1954

John D. Lynch
Term expires February, 1955

Alfred E. Rankin
Term expires February, 1954

J. Albert Banks
Term expires February, 1953

Andrew B. Holmstrom, Mayor,
Ex-officio

**Trustees of World War Veterans
Memorial Fund**

Constituted pursuant to order of City Council adopted March 27, 1933. Appointed under provisions of Sec. 105, Chap. 41 of General Laws, for terms of three years.

John J. Flynn, Chairman
Term expires April, 1951

Ralph U. Cross
Term expires April, 1950

Paul W. Glennon
Term expires April, 1952

George F. Power
Term expires April, 1952

Harrison G. Taylor
Term expires April, 1950

Andrew B. Holmstrom, Mayor
Ex-officio

School Committee

Andrew B. Holmstrom, Chairman
Edwin Higginbottom, Vice-Chairman

Herman J. Dumas
Katharine F. Erskine
Edwin Higginbottom

John J. Melican
Francis X. Powers
Elton R. Yasuna

Superintendent of Schools

Thomas F. Power

Business Manager and Clerk

Raymond L. Divoll

MAYORS

Levi Lincoln	1848
Died May 29, 1868	
*Henry Chapin	1849-50, 70
Died Oct. 13, 1878	
Peter C. Bacon	1851-2
Died Feb. 7, 1886	
John S. C. Knowlton	1853-4
Died June 11, 1871	
George W. Richardson	1855, 7
Died June 15, 1886	
Isaac Davis	1856, 8, 61
Died April 1, 1883	
Alexander H. Bullock	1859
Died January 17, 1882	
William W. Rice	1860
Died March 1, 1896	
P. Emory Aldrich	1862
Died March 4, 1895	
D. Waldo Lincoln	1863-4
Died July 1, 1880	
Phinehas Ball	1865
Died December 19, 1894	
†James B. Blake	1866-7-8-9-70
Died December 18, 1870	

*Elected Mayor, ad interim, by the City Council, in joint convention, December 19, 1870 to fill the vacancy caused by the de-
 cease of James B. Blake.

†Elected for the sixth time, December 12,
 1870. Died December 18, 1870.

Edward Earle	1871
Died May 19, 1877	
George F. Verry	1872
Died October 5, 1883	
Clark Jillson	1873, 5-6
Died June 5, 1894	
Edward L. Davis	1874
Died March 2, 1912	
Charles B. Pratt	1877-8-9
Died May 9, 1898	
Frank H. Kelley	1880-1
Died October 25, 1890	
Elijah B. Stoddard	1882
Died September 27, 1903	
Samuel E. Hildreth	1883
Died June 26, 1893	
Charles G. Reed	1884-5
Died November 21, 1899	
Samuel Winslow	1886-7-8-9
Died October 21, 1894	
Francis A. Harrington	1890-1-2
Died August 28, 1922	
Henry A. Marsh	1893-4-5
Died November 6, 1914	
Augustus B. R. Sprague	1896-7
Died May 17, 1910	
†Rufus B. Dodge, Jr.	1898-9-1900
Died December 13, 1935	

†By reason of a tie vote for Mayor at the
 election of December, 1900, whereby there
 was no choice. Rufus B. Dodge, Jr., held
 the office until February 25, 1901.

Philip J. O'Connell	1901
Died March 2, 1931	
Edward F. Fletcher	1902-3
Died December 18, 1943	
Walter H. Blodget	1904-5
Died January 6, 1923	
John T. Duggan	1906-7
Died September 5, 1927	
James Logan	1908-9-10-11
Died November 30, 1929	
David F. O'Connell	1912
Died August 12, 1923	
George M. Wright	1913-14-15-16
Died January 7, 1926	
Pehr G. Holmes	1917-18-19
Peter F. Sullivan	1920-21-22-23
Died May 21, 1931	
Michael J. O'Hara.....	1924-5-6-7-8-9-30-1
Died February 3, 1946	
John C. Mahoney	1932-3-4-5
Died July 12, 1946	
Walter J. Cookson	1936
Died June 11, 1936	
*John S. Sullivan	1936-7
Died April 12, 1949	
William A. Bennett....	1938-9-40-1-2-3-4-5
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	1946-7-8-9
Andrew B. Holmstrom	1950-51-52

*Elected Oct. 6, 1936 to fill vacancy caused by the decease of Walter J. Cookson.

WORCESTER

"Heart of the Commonwealth"

First settled in 1674, named and resettled 1684.

Permanently settled, 1713.

Incorporated as a town 1722, as a city 1848.

Area, 38.41 square miles, or about 24,634 acres.

Average length 6.4 miles, width 6.0 miles.

Dwellings April, 1949, 25,972; 1950, 29,174; 1951, 27,490.

Valuation, 1949, \$308,786,000; 1950, \$310,624,200; 1951, \$319,472,700.

Tax exclusive of polls, 1949, \$12,660,-226; 1950, \$15,158,460.96; 1951, \$15,589,640.68.

Rate of taxation per \$1,000, 1949, \$41.00; 1950, \$48.80; 1951, \$48.40.

Assessed polls, male, 1949, 65,174; 1950, 64,299; 1951, 63,581.

Registered Male Voters, 1948, 53,081; 1949, 51,893.

Registered Female Voters, 1948, 53,-551; 1949, 52,053.

Registered Voters — Male and Female 1950, 104,947; 1951, 101,386.

Vote for President, 1940, 90,044; 1944, 83,931 and 152 Federal War Ballots, 1948, 94,461.

Vote for Governor, 1946, 72,891; 1948, 94,461; 1950, 82,666.

Vote for Mayor, 1943, 53,492; 1945, 58,874; 1947, 69,653.

Vote for Councillors (Plan E) 1949, 74,708; 1951, 58,573.

State Election, November 4, 1952.

Municipal Election, November 3, 1953.

Miles of Public Streets, 295.00.

Miles of Paved Streets, 79.59

Miles of Asphalt Sidewalks, 141.60.

Miles of Granolithic Sidewalks, 136.28.

16,000-Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights, 217.

11,200-Lumen Mercury Vapor Lights, 69.

15,000-Lumen Lamps, 1085.

6,000-Lumen Lamps, 1457.

2,500-Lumen Lamps, 107.

1,000-Lumen Lamps, 5192.

Welsbach Gas Lights, 570.

Police Officers, exclusive of Chief and Deputy Chiefs of Police, 451.

Police Signals, 77.

Permanent Firemen, exclusive of Board of Engineers, 351.

CITY HALL

Corner stone laid September 12, 1896. Dedication exercises, April 28, 1898. Occupied May 1, 1898.

Length, 219 feet, width, 85 feet.

Heights from grade line to top of cornice, 65 feet, to top of tower, 205 feet.

Cost of Building \$590,000. Furnishings \$38,000. Grading, etc. \$22,000. Total, \$650,000.

Architects, Peabody & Stearns, Boston. Builders, Norcross Brothers, Worcester.

PUBLIC PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Green Hill Park, 501.439 acres; Boynton Park, 114.66 acres; Lake Park, 110 acres; Elm Park 88 acres; *Chandler Hill Park, 81.288 acres; Hadwen Park, 50.14 acres; Burncoat Park, 41.51 acres; Salisbury Park, 19.99 acres; Institute Park, 25.44 acres; Crompton Park, 14.81 acres; University Park, 13.69 acres; Dodge Park, 13 acres; Middle River Park, 8.1 acres; Common (exclusive of City Hall site), 4.8 acres;

North Shore Reservation, 4.055 acres; Ramshorn Island, 1.5 acres; Cascades, 34.68 acres; Columbus Park, 8 acres; Vernon Hill, 16.43 acres; Kendrick Field, 14.87 acres; Beaver Brook, 16.30 acres; Greenwood, 14.95 acres; Indian Lake, 1.63 acres; Logan Field, 11.28 acres; South Worcester, 4.87 acres; Bell Pond, 3.5 acres; Shale Street, .777 acres; Holmes Field, 8 acres; Coes Pond, 1.87 acres; Harrington, 6 acres; Cookson Field, 18.63 acres; Fairmont Square, .95 acres; Grant Square, 1.55 acres; Morgan, 11.2 acres; Rockwood Field, 15.78 acres; Apricot Street, 2.39 acres; Burncoat Street, 1.26 acres; Holden Street, .506 acres; Gold Street, .235 acres; Bennett Field, 5.67 acres; John Hapgood Brooks Square, .12 acres; Wetherell Estate, 12.33 acres; Mulcahy Field, 3.45 acres; Flag Street Square, .32 acres; Beaconsfield Road Square, 1.24 acres; Freeman M. Saltus Play Area, .3 acres; North Street Lots, .977 acres; Jos. and Paul Banis Play Area, .467 acres; Boyce Sq. .18 acres; Oread Castle Park, 3.123 acres; Dana Ave., .689 acres; Shore Drive, 2.23 acres (Leased land). Total 1,319.-179 acres.

*Fee in the Commonwealth.

RESERVOIRS

Area in acres, elevation above City Hall and Storage Capacity.

High Service Reservoirs

Lynde Brook, 132 acres; 342.75 feet, 717,422,000 gallons.
 Kettle Brook, No. 1, 15 acres; 364.35 feet, 19,307,000 gallons.
 Kettle Brook, No. 2, 30.36 acres; 507.5 feet, 127,310,000 gallons.
 Kettle Brook, No. 3, 37.41 acres; 559 feet, 152,306,000 gallons.
 Kettle Brook, No. 4, 118.51 acres; 604.73 feet, 513,746,000 gallons.

Low Service Reservoirs

Holden, No. 2, 52.63 acres; 237.80 feet, 257,398,000 gallons.
 Holden, No. 1, 130 acres; 269.85 feet, 729,319,000 gallons.
 Kendall, 171.82 acres; 333 feet, 792,-163,000 gallons.
 Pine Hill, 350.9 acres; 429 feet, 2,-970,967,000 gallons.
 Elevation of Main Street at City Hall, above tide water, 481 feet.
 Water pressure at City Hall (high service), 145 pounds per square inch.

Water pressure at City Hall (low service), 90 pounds per square inch.

Quinapoxet Supply.

City of Worcester may pump any amount for which storage is available.

WATER STATISTICS

Miles of Main Pipe	472.064
Miles of Service Pipes in Use	336.957
Number of Service Pipes	31,716
Fire Hydrants	4,177
Gates	6,561
Meters	32,100
Total Valuation of Water Works, to Dec. 31, 1951	\$17,430,000.00

SEWER STATISTICS

Miles of Sanitary Sewers	231.533
Miles of Combined Sewers	70.297
Miles of Surface Sewers	197.184
Total miles of Sewers	499.014
Number of Manholes	13,836
Number of Catch Basins	7,294

Number of House Connections	36,648
Number of Miles of House Connections	327.40
Gallons of Sewage for fiscal year ending December 31, 1951,	10,066.2
Total cost of sewerage system December 31, 1951	\$25,860,807.65

POPULATION OF WORCESTER

1722—	200	1880—	58,291
1765—	1,475	1885—	68,389
1775—	1,925	1890—	84,655
1790—	2,095	1895—	98,767
1800—	2,411	1900—	118,421
1810—	2,577	1905—	128,135
1820—	2,962	1910—	145,986
1830—	4,172	1915—	162,697
1840—	7,497	1920—	179,754
1850—	17,049	1925—	190,757
1860—	24,960	1930—	196,837
1865—	30,058	1935—	190,471
1870—	41,105	1940—	193,402
1875—	49,317	1945—	198,741
		1950—	203,486

Births Recorded	Marriages Recorded	Deaths Recorded
1935—3501	1652	2732
1936—3420	1783	2874
1937—3663	1928	2932
1938—3661	1756	2740
1939—3616	2152	2735
1940—3884	2537	2927
1941—4241	3058	2896
1942—5241	2748	3044
1943—5124	1937	3079
1944—4618	1747	2940
1945—4565	2081	3005
1946—6054	3171	3002
1947—6581	2942	2952
1948—5908	2661	3019
1949—5893	2266	2849
1950—5771	2255	2841
1951—6205	2289	3002

RULES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
of the
City of Worcester, Massachusetts

Rule 1. At all meetings of the City Council five (5) Councillors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE
CHAIR**

Rule 2. On the first Monday of January, following the regular municipal election, the city council shall, by a majority vote of all the members elected, elect a mayor from its own members who shall preside at all meetings of the city council and perform such other duties as are prescribed in section one hundred (100) of Chapter 43 of the General Laws, and any acts in amendment thereof or supplementary thereto. The City Council shall, in like manner, elect a vice-chairman.

Rule 3. The mayor shall take the chair at the hour to which the city council has adjourned and call the members to order. In the absence of

the mayor, the vice-chairman of the city council shall preside and, in the absence of both, a temporary chairman shall be chosen, who shall serve during the absence of both the mayor and vice-chairman.

Rule 4. He shall preserve decorum and order, may speak to points of order, in preference to other members; shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the city council, regularly seconded; and no other business shall be in order till the question on the appeal shall have been decided. The question shall be put as follows: "Shall the decision of the chair stand as the judgment of the city council?" The vote shall be by roll call, and it shall be decided in the affirmative unless a majority of the votes are to the contrary.

Rule 5. He shall declare all votes. If any member doubts the vote, the chair, without further debate upon the question, shall require the members voting in the affirmative and negative, respectively, to rise and stand until counted, and shall declare the results; but no such declaration shall be made unless a quorum of the city council has voted.

Rule 6. All final votes of the city

council on questions involving the expenditure of fifty dollars or more, or upon the request of any member any vote of the city council shall be by yeas and nays and shall be entered on the records.

Rule 7. When an order or resolution relates to a subject which may properly be examined and reported upon by a standing committee of the city council, such order or resolution shall upon presentation be referred to such committee.

All petitions, remonstrances, memorials or communications shall in like manner be referred to an appropriate committee.

When a motion is made to refer any subject, and different committees are proposed, the motion shall be put in the following order:

1. To a standing committee of the city council.
2. To a special committee of the city council.

Any member offering a motion, order or resolution which is referred to a committee shall be given a hearing on the same by the committee before a report is made thereon, provided he

so requests at the time of offering the order, or before final action by the committee.

Rule 8. The chair shall put all questions in the order in which they are moved, unless the subsequent motion be previous in its nature, except that in naming sums and fixing times, the largest sum and the longest time shall be first put.

After a motion has been put by the president, it shall not be withdrawn, except by unanimous consent.

Rule 9. When a question is under debate the chair shall receive no motion, but

To adjourn

To lay on the table

For the previous question

To postpone to a certain day.

To refer

To amend

To postpone indefinitely

which several motions shall have precedence in the above order. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of an ordinance shall be equivalent to a motion to postpone indefinitely. A motion to adjourn shall be in order

at anytime, except upon immediate repetition, and that motion, the motion to lay on the table, the motion to take from the table, and the motion for a previous question shall be decided without debate.

Rule 10. The previous question shall be put in the following form: "Shall the main question be now put?" and all further amendments or debates of the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

Rule 11. When two or more members rise at once, the chair shall name the member who is entitled to the floor.

RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS

Rule 12. Every member, when about to speak shall rise and respectfully address the chair, and wait until he is recognized; shall confine himself to the question under debate and avoid personalities.

Rule 13. No member speaking shall be interrupted by another, but by rising to a call to order for explanation.

Rule 14. No member shall vote on any question, or serve on any com-

mittee, where his private interest is immediately concerned distinct from that of the public.

Rule 15. Every member present when a question is put shall vote unless the city council for special reasons excuses him. Application to be so excused on any question must be made before the city council has decided, or before the calling of the yeas and nays; and such application shall be accompanied by a brief statement of the reasons and shall be decided without debate.

Rule 16. A question having been taken, it shall not be in order for any member to move a reconsideration thereof at the same meeting, but a motion to reconsider may be made at the next meeting, provided written notice of such motion shall be filed with the city clerk within thirty-six hours; but no more than one motion for reconsideration of any vote shall be entertained.

REGULAR MEETINGS

Rule 17. Regular meetings of the city council shall be held weekly on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

During the months of July and August, one meeting each month. They shall be held in the council chambers.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Rule 18. The mayor, or vice-chairman of the city council, or any four members thereof, may at any time call a special meeting by causing written notices, stating the time and purpose of holding such meeting and signed by the person or persons calling the same, to be delivered in hand to each member of the city council, or left at his usual dwelling place, at least twelve hours before the time of such meeting.

Meetings of the city council may also be held at any time when all members of the city council are present and consent thereto. (G. L., c.43, s.98).

Rule 18A. An item not on the calendar of a regular or special meeting shall not be considered nor acted upon in the event that there is one vote in objection thereto.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Rule 19. At every regular meeting of this city council the order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading of the records, if requested by the City Council.
2. Communications from the City Manager.
3. Public Hearings.
4. Under the provisions of Chapter 43, Section 98 of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, citizens and employees of the city shall have a reasonable opportunity to be heard at any meeting of the City Council in regard to any matter considered thereat; the time allowed for each person and employee shall be limited to ten minutes on each matter upon which they wish to express their opinion unless the City Council shall by vote allow additional time on such matter.
5. Presentation of petitions, memorials, and remonstrances.
6. Communications and reports from city officers.
7. Reports of committees.
8. Motions, orders, or resolutions.
9. Unfinished business of preceding meetings.

10. Motions for reconsideration.

Rule 20. The seats of the members of the city council shall be numbered, and determined by lot; and no member shall change his seat but by permission of the chair.

COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMITTEES

Rule 21. All petitions, memorials or remonstrances addressed to the city council shall be filed with the city clerk and presented by the chair or by a member in his place who may explain the subject thereof.

No petition, remonstrance, resolution or other communication, submitted by any improvement association, civic society, club or other unincorporated organization, or its officers, shall be considered by the city council or printed in its proceedings unless such organization shall have filed with the city clerk a statement sworn to by one of its officers, specifying the number of members in good standing, the time and place of meeting and a list of the officers for the current year.

Rule 22. All papers of whatever description which may require action by

the city council, shall be presented to the City Clerk not later than 2 p.m. on the Friday preceding the day of each regular meeting. Papers presented after that hour on such day will not be considered until the next meeting.

Rule 23. The City Clerk shall prepare a list of all matters to come before the City Council at each meeting in accordance with the established order of business and shall mail to the residence of each Councilor a copy of the same not later than twenty-four hours prior to said meeting.

Rule 24. The City Clerk is authorized by these rules to order and publish notice of hearings on petitions presented to him requiring public hearings before the Council.

Rule 24A. A petition for annuity to be paid under Section 89 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be placed on file unless it shall be accompanied by a medical certificate, certifying that the death of the applicant's husband was casually related to his employment in the Police or Fire Department of the City of Worcester.

A petition for annuity to be paid under Section 89 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be placed on file if

it is received within six months after a petition for an annuity to be paid to the same persons has been denied by the City Council or within six months after a board of physicians created under the provisions of said Section 89 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws has refused to issue to the City Treasurer the certificate required by said section.

A petition for increase of pension under the provisions of Section 90A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be placed on file if it is not accompanied by a medical certificate certifying that the disability of the petitioner at the time of his retirement was casually related to his employment as an employee of the City of Worcester.

A petition for increase of pension under the provisions of Section 90A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be placed on file if it is received within two years after a petition for increase of pension to be paid the same person has been denied by the City Council.

Rule 25. There shall be appointed standing committees of the City Council as follows:

1. Committee on Finance, to consist of the mayor and eight (8)

- councillors, to consider all matters of appropriations and loans, and in general any matters affecting the financial interests of the city; to consider all official bonds.
2. Committee on Ordinances and Legislative Matters to consist of the mayor and eight (8) councillors.
 3. Committee on Public Service, to consist of three (3) councillors, to consider all complaints that may be sent to the city council against public service corporations, and to consider all matters affecting lighting system.
 4. Committee on Public Safety, to consist of three (3) councillors, to consider all matters pertaining to police, fire and public health.
 5. Committee on Traffic, to consist of three (3) councillors, to consider all matters pertaining to traffic conditions.
 6. Committee on Public Works, to consist of three (3) councillors to consider all matters pertain-

ing to streets, water, sewers, public buildings and engineering.

7. Committee on Military Affairs and Veterans' Service, to consist of three (3) Councillors, to consider all matters pertaining to veterans' organizations and veterans in general.
8. Committee on Public Assistance, to consist of three (3) councillors, to consider all matters affecting policies and expenditures for welfare and relief.

All committees of this council shall be appointed by the Mayor.

Rule 26. Every committee of the city council to which any subject may be referred, shall report therein within four (4) weeks from the time such subject is referred to it, or ask for further time. In case the chairman of any committee shall fail for ten (10) days from the time any subject has been referred to it, to call a meeting of the committee, a majority of the committee may call a meeting of said committee.

Notice of all committee meetings must be given at least twenty-four (24)

hours before the time for meeting, but meetings may be held at any time by unanimous consent of all of the members of the committee.

Rule 27. All committees shall cause records to be kept of their proceedings in books provided therefor. All reports and papers submitted to the city council shall be legibly written. The City Clerk or one of his assistants shall make copies of any papers to be reported by the committee, at the request of the chairman thereof.

Reports of all committees, whether by ordinance, resolve or otherwise, shall be made to the city council, and no report shall be received unless agreed to in committee actually assembled.

Rule 28. The Mayor shall be ex-officio chairman of any committee of which he is a member, and on all other committees the councillor first named shall be chairman, and in case of his resignation, or inability to serve, the member of the committee next in order shall be chairman.

MEMBERS' LOBBY

Rule 29. No person will be admitted within the rail in the city council

chamber or in the members' lobby connected with said chamber at any meeting of the city council, except upon permission of the mayor.

HEARINGS

Rule 30. The time devoted to public hearings at any meeting of the city council shall not be more than two (2) hours at any one sitting. Any hearing not completed within the specified time may be continued to another meeting. Any individual, except attorneys at law, appearing before the city council at a public hearing and claiming to represent another as agent or otherwise in the matter being heard shall file with the city council a written authorization signed by the individual, organization or corporation whose interests such individual represents. Ten (10) minutes shall be allowed each speaker to express his views on the matter being heard by the city council.

In all hearings before the City Council the case of the petitioner shall be first submitted, except in matters affecting acceptance of highways or taking by right of eminent domain.

ORDINANCES, ORDERS, ETC.

Rule 31. All by-laws passed by the city council shall be termed ordinances, and the enacting style shall be "Be it ordained by the city council of the city of Worcester." In all votes by which the city council expresses anything by order or command the form of expression shall be "Ordered," and in all votes by which the city council expresses opinions, principles, facts, or purposes, the form shall be "Resolved."

Rule 32. The City Clerk shall determine the newspaper of the city in which shall be published any loan order or any ordinance and said publication shall be made in each newspaper in regular order, beginning with the oldest publication.

Rule 33. Every ordinance and every order, resolution or vote shall after its passage remain in the possession of the city clerk for thirty-six (36) hours after the day of meeting for the purpose of giving any councilor an opportunity to file notice of his intention to move reconsideration.

AMENDMENT AND SUSPENSION

Rule 34. None of the foregoing rules and orders shall be suspended, amended or repealed at any meeting unless two-thirds of all the members of the council consent thereto.

CUSHING'S LAW

Rule 35. The council shall be governed by "Cushing's Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies" in all questions of parliamentary practice not provided for by special rules or orders.

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