



CITY OF WORCESTER CITY COUNCIL

WEEKLY SUMMARY

9/1/2025 - 9/7/2025



REMINDER:

The next City Council meeting
will take place on

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

(9/2/25 - No Meeting was held)



**REMEMBER,
YOU CAN ALWAYS
LOOK BACK
TO REVIEW OUR
PREVIOUS ISSUES!**





Events in the Community



WORCESTER PRIDE FLAG RAISING 9/5

ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH THE CHAIR OF WORCESTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, GUILLERMO CREAMER JR. INVITED RESIDENTS OF THE CITY AND CITY OFFICIALS TO A CEREMONIAL PRIDE FLAG RAISING OUTSIDE OF CITY HALL. MAYOR JOE PETTY, VICE CHAIRMAN KHRYSTIAN KING, AND THE CHIEF EQUITY OFFICER KEVIN LOVAINCY HAD MADE REMARKS HIGHLIGHTING THE ACHIEVEMENTS THAT THE LGBTQIA+ COMMUNITY HAVE ACCOMPLISHED WORLDWIDE AND MOST IMPORTANTLY IN WORCESTER. THIS FLAG RAISING ALSO COINCIDED WITH A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF NEWLY APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE WORCESTER LGBTQIA+ COMMISSION.



NU CHICKEN RIBBON CUTTING - 9/5

AFTER FOUR WEEKS OF BEING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, NU CHICKEN MADE IT OFFICIAL, CELEBRATING WITH A RIBBON-CUTTING! DISTRICT4 CITY COUNCILOR LUIS OJEDA AND VICE CHAIRMAN KHRYSTIAN KING JOINED WITH THE OWNERSHIP TEAM OF NU KITCHEN FOR A QUICK CEREMONY AND A DELICIOUS LUNCH ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

FROM THE TEAM BEHIND NU KITCHEN, NU CHICKEN BRINGS A NEW GO-TO SPOT TO WORCESTER, CENTERED AROUND WHAT'S FAST BECOMING THE CITY'S FAVORITE: NASHVILLE-STYLE FRIED CHICKEN. THEIR SPECIAL TWIST? FRESH, ALL-NATURAL INGREDIENTS THAT GIVE EVERY BITE THAT COMFORTING, HOMEMADE TASTE. IF YOU CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE HEAT GRAB A DECADANT SHAKE OR SUNDAE THAT WILL BE SURE TO HELP COMBAT THE SPICE.





UPCOMING *COMMUNITY* *MEETINGS*

- **MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 8 -**
 - **GREEN ISLAND NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 6:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: WRTA MAINTENANCE FACILITY, 42 QUINSIGAMOND AVE
 - **TATNUCK SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 6:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 1070 PLEASANT ST
- **WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 10 -**
 - **MOUNT CARMEL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 3:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: MOUNT CARMEL APARTMENTS, 50 SHREWSBURY ST
 - **UPSALA ST NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 3:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: UPSALA ST APARTMENTS, 36 UPSALA ST
 - **SAXON ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 5:30 P.M.
 - WHERE: CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL, 15 JAMESBURY DR
 - **NEWTON SQUARE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 6:30 P.M.
 - WHERE: BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH, 551 PLEASANT ST
 - **LAKE VIEW NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 7:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: LAKE VIEW CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 115 COBURN AVE
- **THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 11-**
 - **EMMANUEL VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 4:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: EMMANUEL VILLAGE APARTMENTS, 59 EVELYN ST
 - **MAIN SOUTH BEACON BRIGHTLY NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 5:30 P.M.
 - WHERE: YMCA, 766 MAIN ST
 - **BURNCOAT/GREENDALE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 6:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: ST.MICHAEL'S ON-THE-HEIGHTS, 340 BURNCOAT ST
 - **SOUTH LENOX ST NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**
 - TIME: 6:00 P.M.
 - WHERE: FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 1070 PLEASANT ST



Public Health Launches New Maternal and Child Health Dashboard

The City of Worcester Division of Public Health (WDPH) announced Friday the launch of its Maternal and Child Health Dashboard, an interactive online tool designed to increase transparency, inform public policy, and improve outcomes for mothers, infants, and families across Worcester.

Developed in collaboration with public health professionals and community organizations, the dashboard presents comprehensive data on key indicators such as prenatal care, infant mortality, birth outcomes, and access to services. It is free to use for all members of the public.

“The launch of our Maternal and Child Health data dashboard marks a powerful step forward in our commitment to transparency, equity, and community-driven change,” said WDPH Director Tamara Lundi.

“By putting this data directly into the hands of the public, we are not just sharing information—we are building a shared vision for healthier futures, informed decisions, and stronger beginnings for every family in Worcester. This is more than a tool—it’s a promise of progress.”

To further enhance the quality and specificity of available data, WDPH will be utilizing its partnership with UMass Chan Medical School and the Worcester Integrated Health Data Exchange initiative to obtain locally sourced clinical data from area healthcare providers. This collaboration will help ensure more accurate, timely, and granular insights into maternal and child health trends—ultimately strengthening data-informed interventions and improving outcomes citywide.

“The City of Worcester Maternal Child Health Data dashboard proves our commitment to making public health data accessible to our residents,” said WDPH Deputy Director Nikki Nixon. “It has been an idea of the WDPH to have more focused dashboards since we released the e-CHA [Community Health Assessment] in 2023, and I am proud that it has finally come to fruition.”

WDPH recognizes that improving maternal and child health in Worcester is not just a public health goal, but a community’s responsibility. This dashboard will enable the community to see where the greatest needs are, highlight collective progress, and determine how to collectively work to ensure that every mother and child in Worcester can thrive.

WDPH is excited to introduce this new initiative to the community and invite all residents, policymakers, healthcare providers and community organizations to explore the dashboard, share relevant data and join the effort to build a healthier and more equitable Worcester.

To access the Maternal and Child Health Dashboard, please visit

<https://dashboards.mysidewalk.com/maternal-child-health-worcester>



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YOUR City Councilors

WORCESTER'S CITY COUNCIL CONSISTS OF ELEVEN COUNCIL MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE MAYOR & COUNCILOR-AT-LARGE, JOSEPH M. PETTY. THESE ELEVEN ELECTED OFFICIALS SERVE AS THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE CITY. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF THEIR CITY AND COMMUNITY.

THERE ARE SIX COUNCILORS-AT-LARGE AND FIVE COUNCILORS THAT EACH REPRESENT A SPECIFIC DISTRICT IN WORCESTER (DISTRICTS 1-5).

IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF WHO YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILOR IS, [CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT!](#)

AT-LARGE CITY COUNCILORS



MAYOR
JOSEPH M. PETTY



VICE CHAIRMAN
KHRYSTIAN E. KING



MORRIS A.
BERGMAN



THU
NGUYEN



KATHLEEN M.
TOOMEY



DONNA M.
COLORIO

DISTRICT CITY COUNCILORS



DISTRICT 1
JENNY PACILLO



DISTRICT 2
CANDY MERO-CARLSON



DISTRICT 3
GEORGE J. RUSSELL



DISTRICT 4
LUIS A. OJEDA, SR.



DISTRICT 5
ETEL HAXHIAJ



WORCESTER CITY COUNCIL
MEETING SCHEDULE – 2025

January

January 7 – **Joint Agenda**
January 14 – **City Council Agenda**
January 21 – **City Manager Agenda**
January 28 – **City Council Agenda – Finance**

February

February 4 – **City Manager Agenda**
February 11 – **City Council Agenda**
February 18 – **No Meeting – School Break**
February 25 – **Joint Agenda – Finance**

March

March 4 – **City Manager Agenda / Econ. Dev.**
March 11 – **City Council Agenda**
March 18 – **City Manager Agenda**
March 25 – **City Council Agenda – Finance**

April

April 1 – **City Manager Agenda**
April 8 – **City Council Agenda**
April 15 – **City Manager Agenda**
April 22 – **No Meeting – School Break**
April 29 – **Joint Agenda – Finance**

May

May 6 – **City Council Agenda**
May 13 – **City Manager Agenda**
May 20 – **No Meeting – Budget Hearings**
May 27 – **No Meeting – Budget Hearings**

June

June 3 – **No Meeting – Shavuot**
June 10 – **Joint Agenda**
June 17 – **City Council Agenda**
June 24 – **City Manager Evaluation**

July

July 1 – **No Meeting**
July 8 – **No Meeting**
July 15 – **Joint Agenda**
July 22 – **No Meeting**
July 29 – **No Meeting**

August

August 5 – **No Meeting**
August 12 – **No Meeting**
August 19 – **Joint Agenda**
August 26 – **No Meeting**

September

September 2 – **No Meeting – Mun. Prelim.**
September 9 – **Joint Agenda / Econ. Dev.**
September 16 – **City Manager Agenda**
September 23 – **No Meeting – Rosh Hashanah**
September 30 – **Joint Agenda – Finance**

October

October 7 – **No Meeting – Sukkot**
October 14 – **No Meeting –
Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah**
October 21 – **Joint Agenda – Finance**
October 28 – **No Meeting – Early Voting**

November

November 4 – **No Meeting – Mun. Election**
November 11 – **Joint Agenda**
November 18 – **City Council Agenda – Fin.**
November 25 – **City Manager Agenda**

December

December 2 – **No Meeting – Holiday**
December 9 – **Joint Agenda**
December 16 – **City Council Agenda – Fin.**
December 23 – **City Manager Agenda**
December 30 – **No Meeting – School Break**

Each Meeting convenes at 6:30 p.m. in the Esther Howland (South) Chamber on the Third Floor of City Hall, 455 Main Street. The only exceptions are in the months of July and August, when meetings convene at 6:00 p.m.