



**City Council**  
**General Government**  
**Meeting**

36 Court Street  
Springfield, MA 01103  
<http://www.springfieldcityhall.com>

**Justin Hurst (Chair)**

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**June 23, 2026**

**12:00 PM**

**City Hall - Room 200**

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**Roll Call**

**Zoom**

Councilor Hurst (Chair)

Councilor Martin (Member)

Councilor Fenton

Gladys Oyola, Election Commissioner

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Brian Santaniello	City Councilor At Large	Excused	
Gerry Martin	City Councilor — Ward 7	Remote	
Maria Perez	City Councilor — Ward 1	Excused	
Malo Brown	City Councilor — Ward 4	Excused	
Zaida Govan	City Councilor — Ward 8	Excused	
Kateri Walsh	City Councilor At Large	Excused	
Justin Hurst	City Councilor At Large	Remote	
Victor Davila	City Councilor — Ward 6	Absent	
Michael Fenton	City Councilor — Ward 2	Remote	
Jose Delgado	City Councilor At Large	Excused	
Lavar Click-Bruce	City Councilor — Ward 5	Excused	
Melvin Edwards	City Councilor — Ward 3	Excused	
Tracye Whitfield	City Councilor At Large	Excused	

## **Call To Order**

12:00 PM Meeting called to order on June 23, 2026, ZOOM ONLY.

## **Public Portion**

### **1. Election Warrant with Polling Locations**

## **Minutes:**

On June 23, 2026, the General Government Subcommittee of the Springfield City Council, chaired by Councilor Justin Hurst, met to review the election warrant and polling locations for the September 1, 2026, State Primary. Election Commissioner Gladys Oyola-Lopez reported that polling locations will remain unchanged from 2025 and outlined operational updates intended to improve voter access and convenience.

The committee reviewed several polling site accommodations, including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Charter School location, which will be closed for school activities on Election Day to allow easier voter access, parking, and building entry. The committee also noted continued voter outreach regarding the relocation of the former J.C. Williams polling site to Elias Brookings School, where additional parking is available. Updates were provided on the Mason Square Library polling location, where construction-related access issues have been resolved, and voters will again be able to use the main entrance. Coordination with school officials at Rebecca Johnson School will reserve front parking spaces for voters and poll workers, and arrangements have been made with Highland House management to ensure the polling location is open before Election Day.

Following the discussion, the committee voted unanimously to recommend that the full City Council approve the election warrant and polling locations for consideration. The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:10 p.m.

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