



City Council
General Government Sub-Committee
~ Agenda ~

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Monday, December 12, 2022

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

I. Call to Order

5:00 PM Meeting called to order on December 12, 2022 at Virtual Meeting (Zoom) , Virtual Meeting, N/A, NA.

II. Public Portion

- 1. Update on Residency Compliance Committee.**

III. Ordinances

- 1. Ordinance 2022-3**

Code Enforcement Inspection Ordinance

HISTORY:

06/13/22	City Council	REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
Next: 10/03/22		

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REF TO GEN GOV COMMITTEE

ATTACHMENTS:

- Code Enforcement Inspections-Warrant Requirement (PDF)

Code Enforcement Inspection Ordinance

- A. Compliance with the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution is required for the Department of Code Enforcement, Assessor's Department, and Building Department in carrying out the duties as imposed by G.L.c. 111, G.L.c. 59, G.L.c. 143 and all other applicable statutes. Officers and employees of the Department of Code Enforcement, the Assessor's Department and the Building Department must obtain an administrative warrant to enter the curtilage of a residential property in order to perform an inspection or for assessment of valuation when ensuring compliance with the State Sanitary Code, State Building Code, City Zoning Ordinance, or enforcement of any other applicable laws.
- B. An administrative search warrant is not required if any of the following are applicable:
 - 1. Consent from a person over 18 years of age authorized to permit entry onto the property based on joint access or control over the premises.
 - 2. Plain View Areas: Areas that can be seen from the public way without entering the curtilage of the property.
 - 3. Exigent circumstances: Emergency situations calling for a need to protect or preserve life or to avoid serious injury.