



# City of Fall River Massachusetts

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## **2022 Inauguration Advisory**

**(FALL RIVER, MA- December 29th, 2021)**- Mayor Paul Coogan has confirmed that next week's Inaugural Ceremony will be held as scheduled on Monday, January 3rd at 4:00pm. The event will take place in the new B.M.C. Durfee High School auditorium. However, in light of a recent rise in COVID-19 cases in Fall River, Mayor Paul Coogan has issued a recommendation strongly suggesting that invitees and the public view the ceremony remotely. For those who wish to view from home, Fall River Government Television will be broadcasting the ceremony live, through their Facebook page and on local cable (Channel 18- Xfinity). Local radio station WSAR will also be airing the ceremony live on 1480 AM and 95.9 FM.

For those in attendance at Monday's event, masks and social distancing will be required. Mayor Coogan announced last week that the Inaugural Dinner, scheduled for after the ceremony, was cancelled due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases in Fall River.

"As with most other events and traditions, the inauguration will look different this year," remarked Mayor Paul Coogan. "While I'd like more than anything to share this day in-person with residents, it simply is not safe to fill an auditorium right now. I hope that residents will tune in from home and I look forward to sharing other special events with them very soon."