



City of Malden

Malden City Hall
110 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA 02148

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

7:00 PM

John & Christina Markey Community Center,
7 Washington St.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF SERVICEMEN & WOMEN

3. ROLL CALL

Present - Councillors: 11 - Neal Anderson, David Camell, Paul Condon, Peg Crowe, Barbara Murphy, Ryan O'Malley, Craig Spadafora, Stephen Winslow, Deborah DeMaria, Jadeane Sica and John P. Matheson

4. GUESTS, CITIZEN ACHIEVEMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Mollis will appear before the City Council to discuss police matters.

Chief Molis appeared to discuss and update the council and public on the work being done by the Malden PD regarding drug enforcement.

Yem Lip from the Engineering Department will appear before the Council to discuss water quality standards with respect to chlorine levels, bacteria levels and the flushing program.

Yem Lip from the Engineering Department appeared to discuss and answer council questions regarding city water issues.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[331-19](#)

Minutes of the Meeting of the City Council of September 3, 2019.

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor DeMaria, that the Council Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[334-19](#)

Minutes of the Meeting of the City Council of September 10, 2019.

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor DeMaria, that the Council Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

7. APPOINTMENTS & ELECTIONS

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Mayoral Appointment: Isaac Slavitt, 14 Gellineau Street, Malden, MA as a

member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence upon his confirmation by the City Council and to expire on September 15, 2020. Isaac will fulfill the unexpired term of Roberto DiMarco who has recently resigned.

A motion was made by Councillor Crowe that the Appointment be referred to the Personnel/Appointments Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Mayoral Appointment: Khalil Kaba, 22 Cottage Place, Malden, as a member of the Conservation Commission, said term to commence upon his confirmation by the City Council, and to expire on February 7, 2021. Khalil will fulfill the unexpired term of Victoria Parsons who has relocated out of the city.

A motion was made by Councillor Crowe that the Appointment be referred to the Personnel/Appointments Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8. HEARINGS, PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

[337-19](#)

National Grid, to construct a line of underground electric conduits, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, under and across the public way or ways hereinafter named Medford Street. National Grid to install 4-5" ducts a length of 65 ft. to connect two existing manholes A-609 and A647 in the intersection of Canal and Medford Streets.

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora, seconded by Councillor Winslow, that the Petition be granted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

On Councillor Spadafora's recommendation the petitioner will entertain installing an additional conduit for future potential users.

There were no speakers in favor or opposition at the Public Hearing.

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National Grid, to locate poles, wires, and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, along and across the following public way - Washington Street - National Grid to relocate 1 SO Pole on Washington St. National Grid to relocate support structure pole 3506-84 approximately 55 ft. to the north; also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables, and wires in the above or intersection public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Please note that at the Public Hearing held there were no speakers in favor of or in opposition of this Petition.

A motion was made by Councillor Camell, seconded by Councillor DeMaria, that the Petition be granted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. On Councillor DeMaria's request the petitioner will ask National Grid if the work on the project can be performed on the weekend.

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Extended Hours: Boda Borg Boston LLC, 90 Pleasant St., Oct. 18, Oct. 25, and Nov. 15 from 12am-4am.

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Petition be referred to the License Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

9. MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

[340-19](#)

Resolved: That it is the sense of the City Council to have the City Solicitor in coordination with the city traffic engineer reach out to the City of Medford to discuss the legality of the recent installation of "Do not Enter for Residents Only " signs on the following streets:

Rita Drive
Richard Street
Highland Terrace
Waddell Street
Benmor Street

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora that the Resolution be passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Resolved: That it is the sense of the City Council that the city accept Chapter 90 Section 18B of the Massachusetts General Laws authorizing the establishment of speed safety zones.

A motion was made by Councillor Winslow that the Resolution be passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

[342-19](#)

Resolved: That it is the sense of the City Council that In an effort to increase participation of Malden's most diverse population groups in City government the following resolution is proposed.

A motion was made by Councillor DeMaria, seconded by Councillor O'Malley, that the Resolution be referred to the Citizens Engagement Committee. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Councillor O'Malley requested he be added as a sponsor of the Paper. There were several letters sent in favor of the Resolve and will be placed on file. Councillor Demaria made a motion to pass the Resolve, the motion carried 11-0. The Resolve was passed first before sent to CEC to be vetted for implementation.

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Resolved: That it is the sense of the City Council that Chris Webb appear before the City Council in two weeks to discuss the rodent problem in Malden.

A motion was made by Councillor Anderson that the Resolution be passed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Resolved: That it is the sense of the City Council that the City of Malden shall not pursue an addiction recovery center, or similar treatment facility,

without first holding one or more public meetings with the Citizen Engagement Committee of the Malden City Council.

Councillor Matheson withdrew the Resolve.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

11. CLAIMS

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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Committee Reports: License (Petitions)
(Paper #288-19 - Outdoor Parking: Emmanuel Baptist Church, 20 Madison St., Malden, 27 spaces (Renewal)
(Paper #314-19) - Livery: Arminster Singh, 27 Alpine St. # 3, Malden, 1 car (New)
(Paper #316-19) - Livery: Barbara Martineau, 8 Parker St., Malden, 1 Car (New)

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Committee Report be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Outdoor Parking: Emmanuel Baptist Church, 20 Madison St., Malden, 27 spaces (Renewal)

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Petition be granted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Livery: Arminster Singh, 27 Alpine St. #3, Malden, 1 car (New)

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Petition be granted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Livery: Barbara Martineau, 8 Parker St., Malden, 1 car (New)

A motion was made by Councillor Murphy that the Petition be granted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Committee Report: Rules & Ordinance (Paper # 260-19) - Be it hereby ordained that Section 4.22 of the Revised Ordinances of 1991, as amended, be and the same is hereby further amended as follows:

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora to suspend rules to receive committee report. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

This Committee Report was received and filed

[260-19](#)

Be it hereby ordained that Section 4.22 of the Revised Ordinances of 1991, as amended, be and the same is hereby further amended as follows:
-By striking out Section 4.22 as it currently exists and inserting in place thereof the following new section:

Section 4.22 Claims Against the City For Damages To Be Disposed Of By
The City Solicitor

All claims made against the City for damages shall be examined by the City Solicitor. The Solicitor shall take such steps as are deemed expedient for the defense of the City and may, without further approval, settle any claim in an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars; provided that no claim shall be paid except in reimbursement for paid receipts to companies doing business in the Commonwealth. Claims so allowed shall be certified by the Controller of Accounts to the Treasurer without further examination. Notices of all injuries to persons or property shall be forwarded forthwith by the officers upon whom such notices may be served to the City Solicitor for examination.

SPONSORS: COUNCILLORS CONDON, DEMARIA AND SPADAFORA

Council voted to accept Committee Report as amended below:

Amend Section 2.10 as follows:

"Add"

"F. to serve as the Claims Officer on behalf of the Committee on Finance pursuant to Section 4.22."

This Ordinance was amended

The ordinance is enrolled.

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora, seconded by Councillor Condon, that the Ordinance be enrolled. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Camell, Condon, Crowe, Murphy, O'Malley, Spadafora, Winslow, DeMaria, Sica and Matheson

The ordinance is ordained.

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora, seconded by Councillor O'Malley that the Ordinance be ordained. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Camell, Condon, Crowe, Murphy, O'Malley, Spadafora, Winslow, DeMaria, Sica and Matheson

14. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councillor Barbara Murphy that this meeting was adjourned.. The motion carried unanimously.

GREGORY LUCEY, CITY CLERK