

Malden, Massachusetts

September 8, 2025

His Honor the Mayor has approved Paper 347 Series of 2025

Below is a true attest copy of same:

Order: The City Council will vote whether to go into Executive Session with legal counsel in accordance with Exemption Three, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to the Opioid Litigation, where such discussion in open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the City, if so declared by the Chair. Also, if allowed by the Body, to admit Special Assistant to the Mayor Maria Luise and Controller Charles Ranaghan.

Council President Linehan stated that since the posting of this agenda, she is no longer of the opinion that discussing this issue in open session would have a detrimental effect on the City's litigating position. She stated most of what is expected to be discussed is already in the public domain and the City of Malden is not a direct party in the ongoing litigation. With this declaration, MGL 30A, s. 21(a)(3) is no longer a valid exception to enter Executive Session. The body agreed to discuss the paper in open session.

A motion was made by Councillor Linehan, seconded by Councillor Winslow, that the topic be discussed in open session. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora, seconded by Councillor Linehan, to approve Malden to participate in Perdue's bankruptcy plan as presented by the Massachusetts Attorney General. Adopted, by the City Council, by ten (10) yea and zero (0) nay votes, the City Council consisting of eleven members at their September 2, 2025 meeting.

A motion was made by Councillor Spadafora, seconded by Councillor Linehan, to approve the release of the Sackler Family under the terms of the Governmental Entities Settlement Agreement (GESA) as recommended by the Massachusetts Attorney General.

Adopted, by the City Council, by nine (9) yea and one (1) nay votes, the City Council consisting of eleven members at their September 2, 2025 meeting.

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Attest:

City Clerk Carol Ann T. Desiderio

Council President Amanda Linehan

Mayor Gary J. Christenson