



# City of Malden

Malden City Hall  
215 Pleasant Street  
Malden, MA 02148

## Meeting Minutes - Final Personnel/Appointments Committee

*Councillor Linehan, Chair*  
*Councillor Crowe, Vice Chair*  
*Councillor Colon Hayes*  
*Councillor Condon*  
*Councillor Taylor*

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Tuesday, February 11, 2025

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 105  
215 Pleasant Street  
Malden, MA 02148

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### Roll Call

**Present:** 5 - Amanda Linehan, Councillor Peg Crowe, Paul Condon, Karen Colon Hayes and Councillor Ari Taylor

Councillor Linehan called the meeting to order at 5:38PM.  
This will be audio and video of this meeting with TEAMS.

### Minutes to be Approved

#### Business

##### [421-24](#)

Mayoral Appointment: Madelein McCormick, 190 Pleasant Street Apt. 238, Malden, as a member of the Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission, said term to commence upon confirmation by the City Council and to expire November 13, 2027.

**Attachments:** [Mayor's Appointment Letter - Madelein McCormick](#)

*Councillor Linehan discussed the confirmation process which involves a conversation with each candidate, followed by a vote to refer the appointments back to the full council for final confirmation. This ensures that the appointments are thoroughly vetted before being finalized.*

*Madelein has been a resident for about 5 years and has worked on the local level in Cambridge. She has experience in community issues, housing, and the intersection between local and statewide issues, which she aims to bring to Malden. Madelein expressed her interest in serving on the Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission to bring her advocacy and skill set to Malden. She wants to contribute to community issues and housing, leveraging her experience to benefit the city. She has worked on immigration and transgender law, and has participated in two meetings of the commission. She has not yet voted on anything but has been involved in outreach and idea generation. Madelein proposed ideas to increase awareness of the commission and improve access and outreach. She emphasized the need for better communication and engagement with residents to ensure they are aware of the commission's existence and how to reach out for support.*

**A motion was made by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Colon Hayes, that the Appointment be recommended favorably to the City Council. The motion**

carried by a unanimous vote.

[445-24](#)

Mayoral Appointment: Kathryn Doyle, 45 Webber Street, Unit 1, Malden, as member of the Disability Commission, said term to commence upon confirmation by the City Council, and expire March 15, 2027.

**Attachments:** [Mayor's Appointment Letter - Kathryn Doyle](#)

*Katherine has a background in forensic autopsy and has worked for the state in Massachusetts and Vermont. She shared her experience with an invisible disability and the impact it has had on her life and career. Katherine has worked in forensic autopsy and has experience in solving problems and helping people. She has also led the disability resource group at her workplace, which has given her insight into the challenges faced by individuals with disabilities. Katherine expressed her interest in serving on the Disability Commission to support others with disabilities. She is motivated by her personal experience and wants to ensure that others receive the support and resources they need. Katherine emphasized the importance of community support for individuals with disabilities. She is eager to contribute to the commission's work and help improve the lives of residents with disabilities in Malden. She expressed her interest in helping others with disabilities and her willingness to contribute to the Disability Commission.*

**A motion was made by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Colon Hayes, that the Appointment be recommended favorably to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

[3-25](#)

Mayoral Appointment: Cindy Cohen, 1275 Salem Street, Malden, as member of the Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission, said term to commence upon confirmation by the City Council and to expire December 17, 2027

**Attachments:** [Mayor's Appointment Letter - Cindy Cohen](#)

*Cindy has been a resident of Malden for 25 years and has a background in banking and real estate. She has a real estate license and experience in financing mortgages, which she believes will be valuable in her role on the commission. She has been volunteering with elderly services, which she sees as an important aspect of human rights. She is passionate about helping disadvantaged individuals and ensuring that their needs are met. Cindy expressed her interest in serving on the Human Rights and Fair Housing Commission to address human rights issues and help people in the community. She is eager to bring her background and experience to the commission's work. She emphasized the importance of community involvement and support for individuals facing human rights issues. She is committed to contributing to the commission's efforts to improve the lives of residents in Malden.*

**A motion was made by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Colon Hayes, that the Appointment be recommended favorably to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.**

## Other Business

## Adjournment

**A motion was made by Councillor Taylor, seconded by Councillor Colon Hayes, that this meeting be adjourned at 6:05 PM. The motion carried unanimously.**

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