

City of Malden

Malden City Hall 215 Pleasant Street Malden. MA 02148

Meeting Minutes - Draft Rules & Ordinance Committee

Chairperson Craig Spadafora, Vice Chair Peg Crowe, Ryan O'Malley, David Camell, Stephen Winslow

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

6:00 PM

Virtual - Remote

334-20

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Roll Call

Also in attendance was Asst. City Solicitor Ken Rossetti and Building Inspector Nelson Miller

Present: 5 - Craig Spadafora, Peg Crowe, Ryan O'Malley, David Camell and Stephen Winslow

Minutes to be Approved

Business

Order: Be it hereby ordained that the Revised Ordinances of 2020 be amended to allow accessory dwelling units (a.k.a. in-law suites or granny flats).

Sponsors: Amanda Linehan

Councillor Linehan gave a slide presentation on paper 259-20 and took questions from the council.

Mr. Miller was asked to give his opinion and he stated that ADU's can be effective but would not be a good fit for Malden because of the difficulty with the enforcement and issues such as parking, trash, overcrowding in the schools they would bring if approved.

Councillor Linehan stated that it should not be rushed but there needs to be a discussion suggesting baby steps be taken and having a limit of who could live in them.

Councillor Condon said that years ago in the Edgeworth section, people took advantage of the living arrangement and there were a lot of problems and impossible to enforce.

Councillor Murphy stated that in all her years as a Councillor she has never received a call on ADU's and a the majority of Malden residents would not want to see density increase. Councillor Murphy also stated that the Council should not approve anything until they know it can be enforces.

Councillor Linehan said it has been a fruitful discussion with interesting ideas and looking forward for further discussions.

There was no vote taken and the paper will be taken up at a future Ordinance meeting.

254-20 Order: That the City Council adopt the Rules of the Council Rule Book

2020.

Sponsors: Jadeane Sica

Because of time restrictions, paper 254-20 was not discussed.

Other Business

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councillor Winslow, seconded by Councillor Camell, that the meetinmg be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

Yea: 5 - Chairperson Spadafora, Vice Chair Crowe, O'Malley, Camell and Winslow

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