

City of Malden

Malden City Hall 215 Pleasant Street Malden. MA 02148

Meeting Minutes - Final Finance Committee

Chairperson Barbara Murphy Vice Chair David Camell Councillor Peg Crowe Councillor Amanda Linehan Councillor Deborah DeMaria Councillor Jadeane Sica

Tuesday, September 28, 2021

7:15 PM

Large Board Room #105 215 Pleasant Street Malden, MA 02148

Roll Call

Councillor Crowe was chairing a personell/appointment committee meeting that was in session at the same time of this finance committee meeting.

The meeting began at 7:27 P.M.

Also in attendance Assistant City Solicitor Zaheer Samee, Councillor O'Malley, Chief Financial Officer Chuck Ranaghan.

Present: 4 - Chairperson Barbara Murphy, Vice Chair David Camell, Amanda Linehan and

Jadeane Sica

Absent: 2 - Peg Crowe and Deborah DeMaria

Minutes to be Approved

<u>417-21</u> Minutes of June 22, 2021 to be approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Sica, seconded by Vice Chair Camell, that the Committee Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

<u>418-21</u> Minutes of June 29, 2021 to be approved.

A motion was made by Councillor Sica, seconded by Vice Chair Camell, that the Committee Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Business

406-21 Order: That the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Six
Dollars and Thirty Two Cents (\$232,706.32) be and the same is hereby transferred to

the following accounts:

Assessor Salaries \$8,928.23
City Clerk Salaries \$9,510.65
Controller Salaries \$12,838.28
Engineering Salaries \$7,588.96

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Health & Human Services Salaries \$14,856.78

Human Resources Salaries \$7,375.00

Inspectional Services Salaries \$19,552.12
Information Technology Salaries \$11,905.07

Legal Salaries \$9,070.45

Legislative Salaries \$1,634.65 Compliance Salaries \$1,517.93

Mayor's Office Salaries \$12,653.38

Strategic Planning & Comm Dev Salaries \$21,595.15

Parking Salaries \$6,714.53

Public Facilities Salaries \$22,215.75

Recreation Salaries \$3,073.74

Senior Center Salaries \$5,382.99

Teen Center Salaries \$4,007.87

Treasurer Salaries \$16,787.34

Veterans Salaries \$2,890.97

Fire Admin Salaries \$6,607.02

Police Admin Salaries \$14,092.74

DPW Admin Salaries \$8,003.62

Cemetery Admin Salaries \$3,903.10

Sponsors: Barbara Murphy

Mr. Ranaghan told the committee there was one small modification that needed to be added to the language of the transfer and that was the transfer was coming from salary reserves (acct. #0010-996-5110).Mr. Ranaghan continued that the Ordinance Committee met earlier in the evening to change the ordinances to reflect the salary changes in this transfer and will be recommending those changes out favorably at the next council meeting. These salary changes were voted in the FY 22 budget that was passed.

A motion was made by Councillor Sica, seconded by Vice Chair Camell, that the Order be recommended favorably. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

407-21

Order: That the sum of Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Sixty One Dollars and Sixty Nine Cents (\$314,061.69) be and the same is hereby transferred from Salary Reserve (0010-996-5110) to Police Labor Salaries (0010-210-5120).

Sponsors: Barbara Murphy

Mr. Ranaghan told the committee back on August 26th the city and the patrolman's association signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a 2 1/2% pay increase effective July 1, 2021. There is also an additional pay of \$1000 for each officer as part of their duties and responsibilities associated with Tasers and body worn cameras. The cost of the additional pay aside from the 2 1/2% increase is \$78,000, there are 78 patrolman.

A motion was made by Councillor Sica, seconded by Vice Chair Camell, that the Order be recommended favorably. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

408-21

Order: That the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) be and the same is hereby transferred from Workers Compensation Wages (0010-912-5140) to Legal Professional Services (0010-151-5300).

Sponsors: Barbara Murphy

Mr. Ranaghan spoke to the transfer that was requested by City Solicitor Fallon because of the up tick of cases that the Legal Department has had to work on requiring more financial resources needed. Mr. Ranaghan said the \$75,000 would be coming out of the workers compensation account.

Councillor Linehan asked if this could cause a problem with the workers compensation account down the road. Mr. Ranaghan said the workers compensation account started with \$350,000 in the account and have used \$50,000 so far. Although there are no guarantees and he cannot predict, for now the account looks like it would be fine but can't say definitely.

A motion was made by Councillor Linehan, seconded by Vice Chair Camell, that the Order be recommended favorably. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Other Business

Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice Chair Camell, seconded by Councillor Sica, that the meetiong be adjourned. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

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