



CITY OF MELROSE
APPROPRIATIONS & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MINUTES • OCTOBER 20, 2025

Council Chamber, First Floor, Melrose City Hall Committee Meeting
562 Main Street, Melrose, MA 02176

7:20 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was Called to order by Chair Garipay at 7:20 PM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Maya Jamaledine	Vice Chair	Present	
Cal Finocchiaro		Present	
Ward Hamilton		Absent	
Manjula Karamcheti		Present	
John Obremski		Present	
Devin Romanul		Present	
Robb Stewart		Present	
Kimberly Vandiver		Present	
Ryan Williams		Present	
Leila Migliorelli	President, Ex Officio	Present	
Mark Garipay	Chair	Present	

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Appropriations and Oversight - Committee Meeting - Oct 6, 2025 7:30 PM

Motion to Approve minutes without reading made by Chair Garipay

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [10 TO 0]
AYES:	Jamaledine, Finocchiaro, Karamcheti, Obremski, Romanul, Stewart, Vandiver, Williams, Migliorelli, Garipay
ABSENT:	Ward Hamilton

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to Open public comment made by Chair Garipay at 7:21 PM

There were no comments on the floor or via Zoom

Motion to Close public comment made by Chair Garipay at 7:22 PM

IV. APPROPRIATION

1. **TRNSF-2026-2:** Library Fines Appropriation FY2026 Appropriate the amount of \$16,550.00 from account 29032-590000 (Library Fines Account) to account 016112-534200 (Lib Exp Books & Periodicals).

From: City Council

ASSIGN TO COMMITTEE

Motion to Recommend to full council made by Councilor Stewart

Seconded by Councilor Karamcheti

All were in favor and motion passed

Comments by councilors on discussion:

-Councilor Karamcheti asked if this is a typical amount of money for library fines, to which she replied yes and they are moving the necessary amount to the other account to meet regulation and code.

-Councilor Vandiver asked how much money is left in the library fines account, to which she replied very little remains.

RESULT:	OUGHT TO PASS [10 TO 0]	Next: 10/20/2025 7:45 PM
TO:	City Council	
AYES:	Jamaledine, Finocchiaro, Karamcheti, Obremski, Romanul, Stewart, Vandiver, Williams, Migliorelli, Garipay	
ABSENT:	Ward Hamilton	

V. ORDERS

1. **(ID # 12985):** Authorizing the disposal of 350 square feet of City land located on a portion of 138-140 Franklin Street in Melrose for a nominal fee for the reasons provided in the Notice of Decision

From: City Council

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

Motion to Recommend to full council made by Councilor Karamcheti

Seconded by Councilor Jamaledine

All were in favor and motion passed

Comments by councilors on discussion:

-Councilor Jamaledine asked why the \$10 fee for the land disposal to which she replied the property owner proposed that as a nominal fee.

-Councilor Stewart asked if there are any liens or potential problems with the land to which she replied no.

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ABSENT:	Ward Hamilton	

2. **(ID # 12986):** Authorizing the transfer of the City land located at 138-140 Franklin Street in Melrose to the current owners of the remainder of that property, as described in the attached Quitclaim Deed.

From: City Council

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

Motion to Recommend made by President Migliorelli
Seconded by Councilor Karamcheti
All were in favor and motion passed

Comments by councilors on discussion:

-Councilor Stewart asked if the property owner will cover the fees for this transaction and yes, they will.

-Councilor Williams asked why this land was taken by the city of Melrose in the first place. She stated that from her research she found that it was related to the relocation of Albion Street at the time.

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ABSENT:	Ward Hamilton	

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn meeting made by Councilor Stewart at 7:34 PM
Seconded by Councilor Vandiver
All were in favor and meeting was Adjourned