



City of Melrose

City Council

Regular Meeting

Monday, July 20, 2026, 7:45 PM
City Council Chamber, 1st Floor
562 Main Street, Melrose, MA 02176

AGENDA

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Jason Chen
Cal Finocchiaro
Maya Jamaledine
Manjula Karamcheti
Elizabeth Kowal
John Obremski
Christopher Park
Devin Romanul
Kimberly Vandiver
Ryan Williams
Brad Freeman, President

Pledge of Allegiance

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

A. City Council Meeting June 15, 2026 7:45 PM

Special City Council Meeting June 29, 2026 7:45 PM

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

When: Jul 20, 2026 07:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: City Council Meeting

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IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE HONORABLE MAYOR & OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Filings by the Honorable Mayor

i. Appointments/Reappointments

1. **(ID # 2026-1415):** Appointment of Dionysios Kaskarelis, 116 Walton Park, to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2029.

ii. Grants

1. **(ID # 2026-1529):** Acceptance of the FY2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$5,850.00

iii. Orders

1. **(ID # 2026-1530):** Amending Article II, Section 93 of the Melrose Code of Ordinances to allow for a licensing and inspection process for kennel licensing in Melrose.
2. **(ID # 2026-1531):** Acceptance of Revised Easement at 105 Walton Park in Melrose
3. **(ID # 2026-1533):** Grant of Easement for 204 Tremont Street

B. Filings by members of the Honorable City Council

C. Orders

- i. **(ID # 2026-1520):** **Informational Order** - Warrant for 2026 State Primary to be held at Melrose Middle School Gymnasium on Tuesday, September 1, 2026 from 7:00am to 8:00pm for Ward 1, Precinct 1 and 2; Ward 2, Precinct 1 and 2; Ward 3 Precinct 1 and 2; Ward 4, Precinct 1 and 2; Ward 5, Precinct 1 and 2; Ward 6, Precinct 1 and 2; and Ward 7, Precinct 1 and 2 to notify the inhabitants of the City of Melrose that can cast a vote in the State Primaries.
- ii. **(ID # 2026-1521):** **Informational Order** - The Board of Registrars has agreed to the following dates, times and location for the State Primary In Person Early Voting: *Saturday, 8/22 9am-5pm; Monday, 8/24 through Thursday 8/27 8:30am-4pm and Friday, 8/28 8:30am -12:30pm* in the City Council Chamber located on the first floor of Melrose City Hall 562 Main Street Melrose MA.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Appropriations

- i. **(ID # 2026-1334):** Appropriation from Peg Access Fund #2922 in the amount of \$167,277.80 to MMTV and \$55,759.27 to Melrose Public Schools (#1803).
- B. Orders
 - i. **(ID # 2026-1376):** Report on results of the Municipal Surplus Buildings Study for the Police Station and Ripley School Sites
 - ii. **(ID # 2026-1382):** Authorization to Amend Solid Waste Facility Operating Agreement by and between the City of Melrose and Waste Management of Massachusetts.
 - iii. **(ID # 2026-1508):** Approval of Lease Agreement with the Archdiocese of Boston for the Lease of the Parking Lot near St. Mary's Church at 41 Myrtle Street, Melrose MA
 - iv. **(ID # 2026-1509):** Appropriation in the amount of \$7,000.00 from contract stabilization (#8404) to Account #012962-527950 for rental expenses for the St. Mary's Parking Lot Lease.
 - v. **(ID # 2026-1507):** Request that the City Council Approve the Written Determination that the Lease Transaction of the St. Mary's Parish Parking Lot is a Unique Acquisition of Property pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30B.

VII. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

VIII. EXPIRIES

IX. RULE 36 REPORTS

X. ADJOURNMENT

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