



CITY OF MELROSE

CITY COUNCIL

ORDERS OF THE DAY • APRIL 1, 2024

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

7:45 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

City Councilor participation includes at least one member accessing the meeting via Zoom this evening. Please note: All votes will be roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance

II. READING OF THE MINUTES

1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 11, 2024 7:45 PM
2. City Council - Regular Meeting - Mar 18, 2024 7:45 PM

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Zoom Information

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IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR AND OTHER CITY OFFICIALS

V. NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session

1. **ORDER-2024-27** : Requesting that the City Council convene in executive session to receive an update on the status of ongoing collective bargaining negotiations with various municipal bargaining units, as discussion in open session may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the City of Melrose.

A. Filings by the Honorable Mayor

1. **APPRO-2024-15**: An Appropriation from Free Cash in the amount of \$101,540.94 to the Opioid Settlement Special Revenue Fund (#2757).

2. **APPRO-2024-16:** An Appropriation from Free Cash in the amount of \$16,696 to Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School District (account 013012-547300) for one additional student for Academic Year 23/24.
3. **APPRO-2024-17:** An Appropriation from Free Cash to the Contract Stabilization Fund(#8404) in the amount of \$500,000.
4. **APPRO-2024-18:** An Appropriation from Free Cash to Special Ed Stabilization Fund (#8408) in the amount of \$386,231.35.
5. **GRANT-2024-14 :** Acceptance of the FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant awarded to the Melrose Fire Department by The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Fire Services, in the amount of \$9,064.82.
6. **LIC-2024-12 :** Gasoline and Storage Licenses Renewals commencing for licensing period May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025
7. **LIC-2024-13 :** License: Gasoline and Storage Licenses - 2024 Non Renewals
8. **LIC-2024-14 :** Private Livery Car Service Renewals commencing for licensing period May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025
9. **LIC-2024-15 :** Private Livery Car Service - Non-Renewals 2024

10. **LIC-2024-16** : 2nd Hand Dealer 2024 Renewals commencing for licensing period May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025
11. **LIC-2024-17** : Hackney Carriage (Taxi) license non-renewal for licensing period: May 1, 2024 - April 30, 2025
12. **TRNSF-2024-4**: Election department transfer of funds \$6,728 (Six Thousand, Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars) from salary and wages 011611-511000 to printing 011622-521000 for the payment of election day expenses.
13. **APPT-2024-25**: Reappointment of Paul Fahey, 64 Linwood Avenue, to the Melrose Public Library Board of Library Trustees

B. Filings by members of the Honorable City Council

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Appointment

1. **APPT-2024-18**: Appointment of David Roache, 8 Prescott Street, to the Zoning Board of Appeals to fill the unexpired term of Rita Mercado; said term to expire on the last day of February 2025.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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2. **APPT-2024-21**: Re-Appointment of Louis Izzi, 45 Damon Avenue, Road, to the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Building Trustees; said term to expire the last day of February 2027.

From: Public Service Committee

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3. **APPT-2024-22:** Appointment of Philip Hermann to the Council on Aging, 83 East Foster Street, for a three year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2027.

From: Health, Education & Welfare Committee

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4. **APPT-2024-23:** Reappointment of David Kourtz, 68 Mooreland Road, to the Melrose Council on Aging for a three-year term, set to expire on the last day of February 2027.

From: Health, Education & Welfare Committee

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5. **APPT-2024-24:** Appointment of Nancy Messina, 132 Country Club Road, to the Council on Aging for a three-year term; said term to expire on the last day of February 2027.

From: Health, Education & Welfare Committee

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B. Appropriation

1. **APPRO-2024-12:** An Appropriation from Mt. Hood Retained Earnings, account 620000-319000, in the amount of \$400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars) to Mt. Hood Professional Services, account 620000-529000 to fulfill contract obligations.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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2. **APPRO-2024-13:** An Appropriation of Free Cash in the amount of \$2,350,000 to the School Department Operating budget, transfer in account 0111-491003.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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3. **APPRO-2024-14:** An Appropriation from Free Cash in the amount of \$223,372 for Medicaid Costs

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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C. Grant

1. **GRANT-2024-10** : Public Safety Earmark

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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2. **GRANT-2024-11** : Acceptance of the Fiscal 2024 Local Cultural Council Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council in the amount of \$16,200.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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3. **GRANT-2024-12** : Requesting the acceptance of the Foundation of Alcohol Education Grant in the amount of \$4,000

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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4. **GRANT-2024-13** : Requesting the acceptance of the Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$6,500.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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D. Informational

1. **INFO-2024-6**: An Update on the Finances of the City of Melrose

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

PLACE ON FILE

E. Order

1. **ORDER-2024-23** : Requesting authorization to borrow funds in the amount of \$686,500 from MWRA as part of the Local Water System Assistance Program to fund costs for local water system improvement projects.

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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2. **ORDER-2024-24** : Requesting the Appropriation of \$971,400 for the purchase of Solid Waste and Recycling Carts

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

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F. Transfer

1. **TRNSF-2024-2:** Intra Departmental Transfer in the amount of two thousand two hundred thirty dollars and fifty-five cents (\$2,230.55) from Recodification Account Number 011612-529301 to Equipment Account Number 011612-530400 to purchase moveable shelving units for permanent storage of legislative body files in the basement archival vault.

From: Finance Committee

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2. **TRNSF-2024-3:** Requesting a transfer of funds from the Group Health budget, account number 019142-549201, in the amount of One Hundred and Two Thousand Dollars (\$102,000) to various accounts within the HR Department.

From: Finance Committee

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VII. EXPIRIES

VIII. RULE 53 REPORTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT