



CITY OF MELROSE

CITY COUNCIL

ORDERS OF THE DAY • FEBRUARY 3, 2025

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

7:45 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

2. *Pledge of Allegiance*

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Topic: City Council Meeting

Time: Feb 3, 2025 07:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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III. MINUTES APPROVAL

1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Jan 21, 2025 7:45 PM

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. *Filings by the Honorable Mayor*

i. **Appointments/Reappointments**

1. **(ID # 12094):** Reappointment of Susan Lawson Cann, 123 East Foster Street, Melrose MA, to the Cemetery Commission, for a three year term, said term to expire last day of February 2028.
2. **(ID # 12344):** Reappointment of Rebecca Blumenthal, 50 Stillman Road, to the Historical Commission for a term of three years, said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.

3. **(ID # 12345):** Reappointment of Thomas J. Champoux, 87 Crescent Avenue, Melrose MA, to the Historical Commission for a term of three years, said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.
4. **(ID # 12354):** Reappointment of Eileen Hamblin, 150 Youle Street, Melrose MA to the Cemetery Commission for a three year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.
5. **(ID # 12356):** Reappointment of Francisco Brincheiro, MD, 14 Geneva Road, Melrose MA to the Board of Health for a three year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.
6. **(ID # 12380):** Reappointment of Carol Hoffman, 97 Cochrane Street, to the Library Board of Trustees for a three-year term; said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.
7. **(ID # 12412):** Reappointment of Emily Anderson, 106 East Foster Street, to the City of Melrose Conservation Commission for a three-year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.
8. **(ID # 12413):** Reappointment of Shane Egan, 21 Boston Rock Road, to the Melrose Historical Commission, for a three year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.
9. **(ID # 12418):** Reappointment of Margaret Ivins, 177 Ashland Street, to the Melrose Council on Aging (COA) for a 2-year term set to expire on the last day of February 2027.

10. **(ID # 12419):** Reappointment of Kristin Thorp, 77 Wentworth Road, to the Melrose Council on Aging (COA) for a three year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.

11. **(ID # 12420):** Appointment of Chris Cinella, 69 Cranmore Road, to the Melrose Public Library Board of Trustees, to fill the remainder of Paul Fahey's three-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February, 2027.

ii. Appropriation

1. **(ID # 12407):** An Appropriation from Mt. Hood Reserve Fund, account 8417-590000, in the amount of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to Mt. Hood Capital Improvement, account 620000-529006 to do tree work. The current balance as of 1/16/25 is \$320,344.93.

iii. Grant

1. **(ID # 12417):** Acceptance of a State Earmark for Various LED Lighting Projects

2. **(ID # 12423):** Authorization to Submit a Statement of Interest to Massachusetts School Building Authority for Franklin School Roof Replacement

3. **(ID # 12424):** Authorization to Submit a Statement of Interest to Massachusetts School Building Authority for Melrose High School Roof Replacement

4. **(ID # 12426):** Acceptance of the Fiscal 2025 Local Cultural Council Grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council in the amount of \$16,800.

B. Filings by members of the Honorable City Council***i. Informational Order***

1. **(ID # 12428):** The Mayor produce before City Council any City Officer, member of a city agency or city employee who shall provide information and answer questions relative to efforts to reduce crashes and improve vulnerable road user safety on Franklin Street and other roads in Melrose.

Sponsored by: Ward 6 Cal Finocchiaro, Ward 1 Manjula Karamcheti, At-Large Ryan Williams

ii. Order for Public Hearing

1. **(ID # 12431):** Order to set the public hearing date and time for Monday, Feb 10th 2025 at 7:30 pm in the City Council Chamber. This public hearing will be a joint meeting of the City Council's Appropriation & Oversight Committee (a committee of the whole) and the Planning Board to discuss Amending the Melrose Zoning Ordinance to allow for Accessory Dwelling Units. The second hearing will follow to amend Chapter 235, Section 6.3 Dimensional Regulation Specifications, to amend the reference point in determining the height of a basement.

C. Licenses

1. **(ID # 12411):** Change in Ownership at 401 Upham Street Toms Full Service Gas Station

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS***A. Appointments/Reappointments***

1. **(ID # 12346):** Reappointment of Randall Carter, 50 Mystic Avenue, to the Melrose Human Rights Commission for a three-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February, 2028.

From: Boards & Commission

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2. **(ID # 12347):** Reappointment of Sean Heneghan, 31 Reading Hill Avenue, Melrose MA, to the Beebe Estate Board of Trustees for a term of three years, said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

3. **(ID # 12348):** Reappointment of Jay Stapp, 21 Berwick Street, to the Melrose Human Rights Commission, for a three-year term to expire on the last day of February 2028.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

4. **(ID # 12349):** Reappointment of David Thimble, 94 Crescent Avenue, Melrose MA, to the Beebe Estate Board of Trustees for a two-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2027.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

5. **(ID # 12350):** Reappointment of Sarah Besegai, 62 Stratford Park, Melrose MA, to the Beebe Estate Board of Trustees for a two-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2027.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

6. **(ID # 12351):** Reappointment of Allison Goldberg, 24 Cottage Street, Melrose MA, to the Commission on Women (MCW) for a two-year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2027.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

7. **(ID # 12352):** Reappointment of Michael Paiewonsky, 71 Warwick Road, Melrose MA, to the Conservation Commission for a term of three years, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.

From: Boards & Commission

OUGHT TO PASS

8. **(ID # 12353):** Reappointment of Andrea Dorian Rose, 51 Albion Street, Apt. 9, Melrose MA, to the Melrose Conservation Commission as an Associate Member for a three year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2028.

From: Boards & Commission

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9. **(ID # 12355):** Reappointment of Alaine Breen, of 18 Woodcrest Avenue, Melrose MA to the Melrose Commission on Disability, for a three year term.

From: Boards & Commission

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VII. ORDERS

1. **(ID # 12401):** Local Options for Veterans Tax Relief under the HERO Act

From: Appropriations & Oversight Committee

PLACE ON FILE

2. **(ID # 12404):** Proposed Revision of Rule 38A of the Rules of Order for City Council All appointments (new appointments and reappointments) made by the Mayor and subject to the confirmation of the Council shall include a written statement of interest and/or resume from the candidate.

Sponsored by: Ward 5 Kimberly Vandiver

From: Legal & Legislative Committee

RECOMMEND AS AMENDED

3. **(ID # 12405):** Proposed Rules of Order Amendment for Rule38B RE: Appointments and Reappointments All appointees (new and re-appointed) of the Mayor subject to the confirmation of the Council, shall appear before the proper standing committee, to inform the committee's recommendations.

Sponsored by: Ward 5 Kimberly Vandiver

From: Legal & Legislative Committee

RECOMMEND AS AMENDED

4. **(ID # 12408):** Appointment of Assistant City Clerk for a One Year Term City Clerk would like to select Linda Reed

From: Finance Committee

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VIII. EXPIRIES

IX. RULE 53 REPORTS

X. ADJOURNMENT