



CITY OF MELROSE
CITY COUNCIL
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Council Chamber, First Floor, Melrose City Hall Regular Meeting
562 Main Street, Melrose, MA 02176

7:49 PM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Cal Finocchiaro	Ward 6	Present	
Mark Garipay	Ward 4	Present	
Ward Hamilton	At-Large	Present	
Maya Jamaledine	At-Large	Present	
Manjula Karamcheti	Ward 1	Present	
John Obremski	Ward 2	Absent	
Devin Romanul	Ward 7	Present	
Robb Stewart	Ward 3	Present	
Kimberly Vandiver	Ward 5	Present	
Ryan Williams	At-Large	Present	
Leila Migliorelli	At-Large	Present	

(ID # 12596) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Timothy Jasionowski, 143 Upham Street, to the Cable Television Commission, for a term of three years, said term to expire last day of February 2028.

[**Assign to Committee**](#)

(ID # 12634) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Mike Festa, 127 Boston Rock Road, to the Melrose Elderly & Disabled Taxation Fund Committee

[**Assign to Committee**](#)

(ID # 12632) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Lisa Matey Bergeron, 63 Howard Street, to the Melrose Elderly & Disabled Taxation Fund Committee

[**Assign to Committee**](#)

(ID # 12635) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Gail Infurna, 12 Mt. Vernon Street, to the Melrose Elderly & Disabled Taxation Fund Committee

[**Assign to Committee**](#)

(ID # 12636) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Anne Ahern, 98 West Emerson Street, to the Park Commission

Assign to Committee

(ID # 12654) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Linda J. Thompson of 198 Melrose Street, to the Melrose Human Rights Commission, for a term of three years, said term to expire last day of February 2028.

Assign to Committee

(ID # 12665) License - Gasoline Storage

Gasoline Storage Renewals for 2025 Round 2

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12610) Contract

That the City Council authorize the Mayor to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) with Malden, Medford, Wakefield, Winchester, and Stoneham as part of the Commonwealth's Public Health Excellence (PHE) for Shared Services Grant initiative.

Assigned to Committee

(ID # 12633) Grant

Acceptance of the FY25 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant awarded to the Melrose Fire Department by The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Fire Services, in the amount of \$4,282.02.

Assign to Committee

(ID # 12637) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash(account 01-324001) in the amount of \$175,000 to DPW Admin (#401) for Lebanon and Sylvan Street Stormwater Project.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12638) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$150,000 to DPW Facilities (#402) for repairs to the Franklin School all purpose room.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12639) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$100,000 to DPW Facilities (#402) for asbestos remediation projects.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12640) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$68,000 to DPW- Parks and Forestry (#475) for tree plantings.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12641) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$50,000 to DPW Highway (#422) for sidewalk repairs.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12642) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$25,000 to DPW-Admin (#401) to fund a Stormwater Enterprise Study.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12644) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (01-324001) in the amount of \$75,000 to DPW Highway (#422) for traffic improvements.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12645) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$8,000 to DPW - Parks (#475) for flowers at Veterans memorials.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12646) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$189,000 to DPW Facilities (#402) for repairs to the Franklin School.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12647) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$48,000 to DPW-Parks (#475) for improvements to the Dog Park.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12648) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$20,000 to HR (#152) to fund costs associated with physicals and advertising.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12649) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash(account 01-324001) in the amount of \$20,000 to the Melrose Cultural Council (#2543).

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12643) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (01-324001) in the amount of \$80,000 to DPW Admin (#401) for Stormwater improvements at Ell Pond Park.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12650) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$16,000 to the Police Department (#211) for evidence software.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12651) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (01-324001) in the amount of \$90,000 to the Police Department (#211) for the purchase of a new cruiser.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12653) Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (01-324001) in the amount of \$2,000 to the Mayor's Office (#121) for costs associated with the inauguration.

Assigned to committee

(ID # 12552) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Steve Barron, 647 Lynn Fells Parkway, to the Planning Board for a five year term, said term to expire on the last day of February 2030.

Recommend

(ID # 12553) Appointment/Reappointment

Reappointment of David W. Roache, 8 Prescott Street, to the Board of Appeals for a five-year term; said term to expire on the last day of February 2030.

Recommend

(ID # 12554) Appointment/Reappointment

Reappointment of Daniel Gelormini, 20 Pilgrim Road, to the Board of Appeals as an Associate Member for a two year term set to expire on the last day of February 2027.

Recommend

(ID # 12555) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Lindsey S. Chisholm, 132 East Foster Street, to the Beebe Estate Board of Trustees for a three year term, said term to expire the last day of February, 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12566) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment Cathy Giliberto, 17 Burnett Street, Melrose to the Melrose Historical Commission, for a term of three years, said term to expire last day of February, 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12567) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Geoffrey Andrews, 15 Orient Place, Melrose, to the Melrose Historical Commission, for a term of three years, said term to expire last day of February 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12568) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Elizabeth Kowal, 301 West Foster Street, Melrose to the Human Rights Commission for a term of three years, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12569) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Laura Bergsten, 61 Orchard Lane, Melrose to the Human Rights Commission for the term of three years, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12570) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Ryan Murphy, 195 Florence Street, Melrose to the Historic District Commission, for a term of three years, said term to expire last day of February 2028.

Recommend

(ID # 12571) Appointment/Reappointment

Appointment of Taylor Makson Murphy, 195 Florence Street, Melrose to the Commission on Women for a term of three years, said term to expire the last day of February 2028.

Recommend

APPRO-2025-5 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Mt. Hood Retained Earnings, account 620000-319000, in the amount of \$330,000 (Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars) to Mt. Hood Professional Services, account 620000-529000 to fulfill contract obligations.

Passed

APPRO-2025-6 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$235,000 to the Parks Department #475 for playground equipment at the Hoover and Lincoln Schools

Passed

APPRO-2025-7 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$455,000 to the IT Department #155 for replacement of teacher chromebooks, MVMMS projector replacements and PA system updates at the HS.

Passed

APPRO-2025-8 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$34,847 to Essex Agricultural and Minuteman Technical High School for one additional student and a special education assessment.

Passed

APPRO-2025-9 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$250,000 to fund the Snow and Ice Deficit (department #423)

Passed

APPRO-2025-10 Appropriation

An Appropriation in the amount of \$269,865 to the school department for FY24 Medicaid reimbursement (account number #16204-490000).

Passed

APPRO-2025-11 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (01-324001) in the amount of \$48,000 to the schools (account 1350-490000) to fund the matching component of a federal grant.

Passed

APPRO-2025-12 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$32,000 to the school department (#1905) for the iReady diagnostic.

Passed

APPRO-2025-13 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$980,000 to the Fire Department (#221) for overtime costs (\$905,000) and for equipment (\$75,000)

Passed

APPRO-2025-14 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$250,000 to DPW facilities (#402) for a feasibility study for projects at the Franklin School and Melrose High School.

Passed

APPRO-2025-15 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$120,000 to DPW (#401) to fund the summer work program.

Passed

APPRO-2025-16 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Contract Stabilization (Fund # 8404) in the amount of \$125,000 to the Police Department, salary and wages (#211).

Passed

APPRO-2025-17 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$250,000 to the Special Education Reserve Fund (Fund #8408).

Passed

APPRO-2025-18 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash (account 01-324001) in the amount of \$750,000 to Capital Stabilization (Fund #8405).

Passed

APPRO-2025-19 Appropriation

An Appropriation from Free Cash in the amount of \$100,000 to the Council on Aging (#541) for replacement of a van.

Passed

GRANT-2025-12 Acceptance of general law; decision; fund

Acceptance of the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Planning 2.0 Grant in the amount of \$100,000

Passed

GRANT-2025-13 Grant

Acceptance of a MassDOT Community Transit Grant for the Council on Aging

Passed

(ID # 12556) License - Gasoline Storage

2025 Gasoline Storage License Renewals

Placed on File

City Council

(ID # 12557) License - Second Hand Dealer

Second Hand Dealers License Renewals for 2025

Placed on File

(ID # 12558) License - Hackney License

Livery License Renewal for 2025

Placed on File

(ID # 12559) License - Hackney License

New Livery License for JBM Transportation

Placed on File

(ID # 12522) Acceptance of general law; decision; fund

Requesting the acceptance of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 22J for Veteran Tax Relief Available Under the HERO Act

Passed

(ID # 12560) Announcement

Update on the Clerk of Committees Search

Recommend as Voted

(ID # 12563) Authorization

Authorize the Mayor enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Cities of Chelsea and Everett to utilize MVP grant funding for the construction of tree filters in the Mystic River Watershed

Passed

(ID # 12579) Agreement of the City

Requesting the City of Melrose withdraw from its current Veterans' Services District, comprised of Saugus, Wakefield, and Melrose, at the end of Fiscal Year 25.

Passed