



CITY OF MELROSE
HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE COMMITTEE
AGENDA • NOVEMBER 15, 2021

Web-based remote meeting
, Melrose, MA 02176

Remote meeting

7:00 PM

The public should take notice that the Melrose City Council may, on certain occasions, have a quorum in attendance due to standing committees of the City Council consisting of both voting and non-voting members. Members attending this duly posted meeting are participating and deliberating only in conjunction with the business of the standing committee.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Maya Jamaledine	Chair
Leila Migliorelli	Vice Chair
Jack Eccles	Voting
Robb Stewart	Voting
Cory Thomas	Voting
Christopher Cinella	President, ex officio

1. **Motion:** statement of remote meeting information

Pursuant to the suspension of certain provisions of the open meeting law, this meeting of the Health, Education & Welfare Committee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. We will post a comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Melrose website and on MMTV/ mmtv3.org. The public can find online access instructions to view this meeting at www.cityofmelrose.org/remote-meetings

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

III. ORDERS

1. **ORDER-2022-38** : Appointment of Alicia McNeil, 490 Lebanon St., to the Melrose Commission on Women for a three-year term; said term to end on the last day of February 2024.

Offered by: Mayor Paul Brodeur

From: City Council

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

2. **ORDER-2022-37** : Appointment of Judy Bushee, 157 Linwood Ave, to the Commission on Disability for a three-year term; said term to end on the last day of February 2024.

Offered by: Mayor Paul Brodeur

From: City Council

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Alicia A. McNeil

Melrose, MA 02176

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Sent via email: bgarcia@cityofmelrose.org

24, September 2021

The Honorable Paul Brodeur
Mayor of the City of Melrose
Melrose City Hall
562 Main Street
Melrose, MA 02176

RE: Appointment to the Melrose Commission on Women

Dear Mayor Paul Brodeur-

I am pleased to submit this cover letter for the appointment to the Melrose Commission on Women ("MCW"). My family has resided in the City of Melrose for the past 15 years. We have found that Melrose is a City that aims at providing opportunity for people from various walks of life. In fact, when we mention that we live in Melrose, people take notice, and have great things to say about our City.

I am interested in being appointed to the MCW because I believe that women have unique issues that need to be addressed. Moreover, women and girls need to feel confident in themselves and their abilities and be assured that their voices are heard. I have worked mentoring young women and women of various ages and believe that I will bring my experience and a listening ear to women so that they know that they are valuable members of our community.

I pride myself in my ability to work effectively with others as a team player and to speak positivity into the lives of others. Kindly accept this correspondence as a Letter of Interest in being appointed as a Commissioner on the MCW. You will see that I will make a valuable addition to the MCW. I look forward to an opportunity to serve on this Commission.

Sincerely,


Alicia A. McNeil

Attachment: Alicia A. McNeil_Redacted [Revision 1] (ORDER-2022-38 : Appointment of Alicia McNeil to the Commission on Women)

Alicia A. McNeil

Melrose, MA 02176

ATTORNEY AT LAW

Principal Owner of firm, accountable for directing all aspects of the law firm including: marketing, client relations, leadership, risk management, investigation and working with government entities. Strong relationship building with various judges, district attorneys' offices, clerks and court staff. Proven ability to prioritize and coordinate responsibilities while efficiently managing caseloads. Solid communication, organization and leadership skills to meet client's expectations.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Effective legal strategist
- Managerial and Leadership ability
- Proficient in organization and research
- Customer service oriented with strong relationship building skills
- Excellent public speaking skills.
- Knowledgeable in legal procedures.
- Negotiation and analytical adeptness
- Knowledgeable in Word, PowerPoint and Excel.

EXPERIENCE
ATTORNEY AT LAW
McNeil Law
July 1999 – Present

- Draft motions and briefs
- Defended both criminal and civil clients
- Develop trial strategy as well as full investigations
- Consult with and advise clients on the best tactics to take.
- Appear in court regularly and argue matters before judge
- Conduct careful legal research and keep abreast of changes in the law
- Negotiate with assistant district attorneys or opposing counsel to secure best outcome for clients
- Manage an average of 60+ cases annually

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR
Eastern Nazarene College
October 2000 – Present

- Prepare curriculum for various legal classes
- Design course to advance student's understanding of legal process and the legal system
- Support students with learning goals
- Organize lesson plans to provide students with current issues
- Manage the classroom environment
- Encourage and support the philosophy and mission of the school

VICE PRESIDENT
BASEC, Inc. (Employment Placement Agency)
September 1990 – 1998**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION**

- Member of the Massachusetts Bar, admitted 1996
- Member and Treasurer of the Board of Directors, Lawrence Bar Association

EDUCATION
SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL
GORDON COLLEGE
JURIS DOCTORATE.
BS, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

1996
1981

Dear Karen

It was really nice to see and talk with you today. Thank you for telling me about the open availability regarding the Melrose Disability Commission. I am very interested in applying for a spot on this special and important committee. As you know I myself have a disability.. I was born with spastic diplegic cerebral palsy and have dealt with many issues because of it. I have a couple of friends who have a disability as well and we have talked about various issues we have encountered and came up with some good ideas about possible ways to fix them or at least make these issues more manageable to deal with. I am also a licensed Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant so I have also dealt with numerous people with varying disabilities in that capacity. At a patients discharge planning meeting i have frequently discussed issues and concerns my patients might face upon re-integrating back into their communities. I believe I would not only be able to provide valuable input about my own personal struggles but also as the struggles I have discussed with others with disabilities. I strongly believe I can also come together with others to help provide solutions or ways to make to these issues and concerns easier to deal with. I myself try really hard to deal with struggles and issues in a positive way. I am a very friendly, easy going person and I love dealing with people. I respectfully ask you to please consider me for this available opening with the Melrose Disability Commission. I truly believe that I would be a valuable asset to this committee which would also allow me to help make Melrose a better community. Thank you again for letting me know. Please feel free to call me with any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Judy Bushee

Attachment: Judy Bushee letter of interest [Revision 1] (ORDER-2022-37 : Appointment of Judy Bushee to the Commission on Disability)