



CITY OF MELROSE
HEALTH, EDUCATION & WELFARE COMMITTEE
AGENDA • JUNE 16, 2022

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

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

Jack Eccles	Chair
Manjula Karamcheti	Vice Chair
Shawn M. MacMaster	
Robb Stewart	
Ryan Williams	
Christopher Cinella	President, ex officio

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

III. ORDERS

1. **ORDER-2022-142** : The appointment of Ana Vasconcelos, of 37 Washington Street Apt 106, to the City of Melrose Commission on Women, for a three-year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2025.

Offered by: Mayor Paul Brodeur

From: City Council

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Ana Vasconcelos
37 Washington St Apt 106
Melrose, MA 02176

April 13, 2022

Melrose City Hall
562 Main St
Melrose, MA 02176
United States

Dear members of the Commission on Women,

I would like to bring to the Commission on Women my professional background in helping, empowering, and creating opportunities for people who face systemic disadvantages in society, especially girls and women.

I earned a Bachelor of Social Work and a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Salem State University in 2014, and a Data Analytics Certificate from Bunker Hill Community College in 2021.

As a former social worker at a non-profit at Waltham, I have over five years of experience providing community-based mental health services. I also have experience in community organizing and activism, particularly around immigration reform, labor rights, and services for victims of domestic violence.

In the winter and spring of 2021, I was a Research Assistant Intern at a non-profit in Boston, where I became involved in public policy research with a special focus on finding solutions to advancing economic opportunities for women and minorities.

Finally, in my most recent position as a Research Associate at Cambridge Health Alliance, I conducted research and program evaluation to promote community health, especially for those most vulnerable in our society.

I appreciate you taking the time to review my interest in joining the Commission on Women, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Ana Vasconcelos

Ana Vasconcelos
37 Washington St. Apt 106, Melrose, MA, 02176

EDUCATION

Bunker Hill Community College	Boston, MA
Data Analytics Certificate Program GPA: 3.9	June 2022
Salem State University	Salem, MA
BS in Political Science Summa Cum Laude GPA: 4.0	Jan. 2015
Bachelor of Social Work Summa Cum Laude GPA: 3.99	May 2014

EXPERIENCE

Cambridge Health Alliance	Nov. 2021 – April 2022
<i>Research Associate</i>	Malden, MA
• Developed surveys, focus group and interview guides, and other project tools • Collected data, including conducting interviews and moderating focus groups • Participated in the analysis and interpretation of both qualitative data and quantitative data • Utilized secondary data sources to create summary tables and charts for reports • Contributed to reports and other dissemination materials for stakeholders	
Commonwealth	Jan. 2021 – June 2021
<i>Research Assistant</i>	Boston, MA
• Evaluated pilot programs that improve the financial security of the financially vulnerable • Managed, cleaned, analyzed, and visualized survey data using Stata and Excel • Researched and contributed to reports on issues related to financial vulnerability	
Wayside Youth and Family Support Network	Sept. 2014 – May 2020
<i>Mental Health Social Worker/Case Manager</i>	Waltham, MA
• Wrote detailed evaluation of clients' needs, progress, and obstacles toward treatment goals • Coordinated and facilitated treatment team meetings • Researched, identified, and connected vulnerable populations to community resources	
Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition	Sept. 2013 – May 2014
<i>Community Organizer Intern</i>	Boston, MA
• Managed policy campaigns in collaboration with coalition members • Drafted and disseminated documents to advance policy campaign goals • Coordinated volunteer efforts for Raise Up Massachusetts	
Mayor's Office for Immigrant Advancement, Boston City Hall	June 2013 – Sept. 2013
<i>Communications Intern</i>	Boston, MA
• Managed database of community organizations and sponsors • Organized annual fundraiser that raised over \$200,000 for immigrant advancement programs	

COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata | R-Studio | Tableau | SQL | MS Products | RedCap | Qualtrics | SurveyMonkey

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Portuguese (Native speaker) | French (High Intermediate) | Spanish (Low Intermediate)



Paul Brodeur
Mayor

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MEMORANDUM

To: Melrose City Council
From: Mayor Paul Brodeur
Re: Commission on Women Appointment
Date: May 31, 2022

I respectfully request the Honorable City Council confirm the appointment of Ana Vasconcelos, of 37 Washington Street Apt 106, to the City of Melrose Commission on Women, for a three-year term, said term to expire the last day of February 2025. Vasconcelos' appointment would replace Kristina Pechulis, whose term expired on the last day of February 2022.

Vasconcelos' extensive experience in community organizing, activism, and serving, empowering, and creating opportunities for girls and women, as well as other vulnerable and systemically disadvantaged populations, would greatly strengthen the Commission on Women.

Finally, her time serving on the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition and within the Boston Mayor's Office for Immigrant Advancement, has provided her with the knowledge and networks necessary to drive positive change in our community.

Thank you for your consideration.