



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

MEETING DATE

January 9, 2024

SPONSORED BY

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AGENDA ITEM

24-007 - Resolution to Amend Rule 33 of the Rules of the Medford City Council to Establish Standing Committees

FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION

Be it Resolved by the Medford City Council that “Rule 33 - Committees” of the Rules of the Medford City Council be amended to the following:

“After the organization of the Council, the President of the Council shall form and set standing meeting times for the Committee of the Whole and the following standing committees.

- Administration and Finance Committee
- Education and Culture Committee
- Governance Committee
- Planning and Permitting Committee
- Public Health and Community Safety Committee
- Public Works and Facilities Committee
- Resident Services and Public Engagement Committee

All councilors shall be considered as members of each standing committee. The president shall name those members of each committee, including its chair and vice-chair, who are authorized to vote on matters in the committee. All other members of each committee are not authorized to vote on such matters in the committee. A quorum of the committee shall be determined on the basis of voting members only.

Each committee chairperson shall form subcommittees and appoint members of subcommittees as needed. The president or committee chairperson will give weight to committee and subcommittee appointments via the longevity and interest of such appointees.

Resolutions, ordinances, and other papers are referred to committee by a majority vote of the members at a regular meeting of the City Council. If a councilor requests, the committee chair shall place any

paper referred to the committee on the next scheduled committee meeting agenda or the agenda for another scheduled committee meeting.”

Be it Further Resolved that Papers in Committee be referred from 2022-2023 subcommittees to 2024-2025 committees as described in the attached memorandum describing the proposed updated council committee structure.

RECOMMENDATION

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2024.01.09 - Medford City Council Draft Committee Structure and Meeting Times