



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

The Eleventh Regular Meeting, June 10, 2025

City Council

Isaac B. "Zac" Bears
Anna Callahan
Kit Collins
Emily Lazzaro
Matt Leming
George A. Scarpelli
Justin Tseng

This meeting will take place at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, MA and via Zoom.

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82762240241>

Call-in Number: +13052241968,,82762240241#

Live: Channel 22 (Comcast), Channel 43 (Verizon), [YouTube](#), and medfordtv.org.

To submit written comments, please email AHurtubise@medford-ma.gov.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ANNOUNCEMENTS, ACCOLADES, REMEMBRANCES, REPORTS, AND RECORDS

Records

The Records of the Meeting of May 27, 2025 were passed to Councilor Tseng.

Reports of Committees

25-039 - Offered by Isaac Bears, Council President

Committee of the Whole, May 27, 2025, Report to Follow

24-033 - Offered by Kit Collins, Council Vice President

Planning and Permitting Committee, May 28, 2025, Report to Follow

24-034 - Offered by Anna Callahan, City Councilor

Public Works and Facilities Committee, June 3, 2025, Report to Follow

24-073, 24-354, 25-041 - Offered by Matt Leming, City Councilor

Resident Services and Public Engagement Committee, June 4, 2025, Report to Follow

Refer to Committee for Further Discussion

25-094 - Offered by Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor, Justin Tseng, City Councilor

Resolution to Improve Offline Access to City Services

HEARINGS

25-036

Petition to Amend Special Permit - 282 Mystic Ave

25-044

Public Hearing - Proposed Amendments to the Medford Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 94
(Residential Districts)

PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS

25-082

Petition for Grant of Location - National Grid (197 and 203 Fulton St)

25-083

Petition for Grant of Location - National Grid (574 Fulton St)

25-084

Petition for Grant of Location - National Grid (287 Main St & Frederick Ave)

MOTIONS, ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

25-088 - Offered by Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor

Resolution Requiring Monthly Police Chief Report on ICE Activity in Medford

25-093 - Offered by Justin Tseng, City Councilor

Resolution to Address Issues on Quincy Street

25-095 - Offered by Justin Tseng, City Councilor, Kit Collins, Council Vice President, Anna Callahan, City Councilor

Resolution to Reduce Heavy Trucking on Neighborhood Streets

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

25-039

Submitted by Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn

Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Submission - Revised

25-096

Submitted by Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn

Appropriation of Free Cash and Retained Earnings

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To participate outside of Zoom, please e-mail AHurtubise@medford-ma.gov.

Anne Driscoll

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

24-031

Request a Representative from BJ's Wholesale Club Meet to Discuss Construction and Neighborhood Concerns

IN CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 6, 2024

TABLED

25-067

Amendments to Flood Ordinance, Chapter 46, Article II

IN CITY COUNCIL APRIL 29, 2025

APPROVED FOR FIRST
READING

TO BE
ADVERTISED MAY 29, 2025

MEDFORD TRANSCRIPT &
SOMERVILLE JOURNAL

IN CITY COUNCIL JUNE 10, 2025

ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD
READING

25-078

Amendments to Parking Ordinance, Chapter 78, Article III

IN CITY COUNCIL MAY 13, 2025

APPROVED FOR FIRST
READING

TO BE
ADVERTISED MAY 29, 2025

MEDFORD TRANSCRIPT &
SOMERVILLE JOURNAL

IN CITY COUNCIL JUNE 10, 2025

ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD
READING

24-069 **Amendment to Human Rights Commission Ordinance,
Chapter 50, Article II**

IN CITY COUNCIL MAY 13, 2025

APPROVED FOR FIRST
READING

TO BE
ADVERTISED JUNE 12, 2025

MEDFORD TRANSCRIPT &
SOMERVILLE JOURNAL

IN CITY COUNCIL JUNE 24, 2025

ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD
READING

25-090 **Proposed Wage Adjustment for Non-Union Personnel**

IN CITY COUNCIL MAY 27, 2025

APPROVED FOR FIRST
READING

TO BE
ADVERTISED

Reports Due/Deadlines

16-574 University Accountability Report (Next Report Due in March
2025)

22-026 Quarterly Presentation on City's Financial Health by Chief
Financial Officer/Auditor

22-027 Monthly Copy of Warrant Articles from Chief Financial
Officer/Auditor

Adjournment



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

| MEETING DATE | | SPONSORED BY | |
|---|--|--|--|
| June 10, 2025 | | Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor, Justin Tseng, City Councilor | |
| AGENDA ITEM | | | |
| <u>25-094</u> - Resolution to Improve Offline Access to City Services | | | |
| FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION | | | |
| Be it Resolved that the Resident Services and Public Engagement Committee work on improving access to city services for residents who do not have easy access to the Internet or computers. | | | |
| RECOMMENDATION | | | |
| FISCAL IMPACT | | | |
| ATTACHMENTS | | | |
| None | | | |

25-036
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF MEDFORD
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

RECEIVED
CITY CLERK
MEDFORD, MASS.

025 MAR -6 PM 12:41

The Medford City Council will conduct a public hearing on April 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Howard F. Alden Memorial Auditorium, on the second floor of Medford City Hall, at 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford Massachusetts, relative to an amendment requested by Clear Channel Outdoor on behalf of the property located at 282 Mystic Ave, Medford Massachusetts 02155. The petitioner is seeking an amendment to a previously-granted special permit. The petitioner is seeking the amendment to upgrade and replace Two Digital Screens on the sign board located at the property, and to ask for a review and potential adjustment/reduction in the permit fee. A copy of the full text of the requested amendment can be viewed in the Office of the City Clerk, Room 103, Medford City Hall.

Please call the Medford City Clerk's Office at (781) 393-2425 for any accommodations/aids.

By order of the Medford City Council.

S/Adam L. Hurtubise
City Clerk

25-044
LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF MEDFORD
MEDFORD CITY COUNCIL
Chapter 94, Zoning

2025 MAY -1 AM 11:03

The Medford City Council will conduct a public hearing on May 27, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Medford City Council Chamber, on the second floor of Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, Massachusetts, and via Zoom. A link to the public hearing will be posted no later than May 23, 2025.

The public hearing is relative to the following proposed amendments to the City of Medford Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map:

1. Amend Section 94-2.1 (Division into Districts) to add the Neighborhood Residential 1 (NR-1), Neighborhood Residential 2 (NR-2), Neighborhood Residential 3 (NR-3), Urban Residential 1 (UR-1), and Urban Residential 2 (UR-2) zoning districts.
2. Amend Section 94-3.2 Table of Use Regulations (Table A) by incorporating the NR-1, NR-2, NR-3, UR-1, and UR-2 zoning districts into the existing table and to designate the uses permitted therein.
3. Amend Section 94-4.1 Table of Dimensional Requirements (Table B) by incorporating NR-1, NR-2, NR-3, UR-1, and UR-2 zoning districts into the existing table and to state the dimensional requirements therein.
4. Amend Section 94-12 (Definitions) to amend and add various definitions.
5. Amending the Zoning Map to change the zoning district designations of various properties to the NR-1, NR-2, NR-3, UR-1, and UR-2 zoning districts, as shown on a map entitled, "Proposed Residential Districts" prepared by Inness Associates.

The full materials for the amendment can be viewed in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall Room 103, or on the City's website at <https://www.medfordma.org/boards-commissions/community-development-board> by clicking on 'Current CD Board Filings.' Questions and comments may be submitted via email to ocd@medford-ma.gov or via phone to 781-393-2480.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to attend/participate in either meeting, please contact: Frances Nwajei (Telephone: 781-393-2439 Email: fnwajei@medford-ma.gov).

25-082
PETITION FOR GRANT OF LOCATION,
NATIONAL GRID, NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS,
PROPOSED JOINT OWNED POLE 197 FULTON ST
(NATIONAL GRID PLAN #: WR-31028088)
MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

You are hereby notified that by order of the Medford City Council, the Medford City Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Howard F. Alden Chambers at Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, and via Zoom on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., a link to be posted no later than Friday, June 6, 2025, on a petition by Massachusetts Electrical Company dba National Grid, for permission to removal and replacement of a Joint owned pole, including necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, located between 197 and 203 Fulton St. and labeled 132 as depicted on the sketch.

Wherefore it requests that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for permission to remove and replace a Joint owned pole, including necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, located between 197 and 203 Fulton St. and labeled 132 as depicted on the sketch., Plan #WR-31028088 originally dated August 23, 2024 and received and filed in the Office of the City Clerk on March 24, 2025 and available for inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, Medford City Hall, Room 103, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, Massachusetts 02155.

The following are the streets and highways referred to: in Plan #WR-31028088 197 Fulton St. National Grid to remove and replace the joint owned utility near pole labeled 132 as depicted on the Sketch. must provide at least thirty-six inches (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and City standards.

The Engineering Division recommends that this grant of location be approved with the following conditions:

1. The Grant of Location (GOL) is limited to the removal and replacement of one joint owned utility pole located within the sidewalk between 197 and 203 Fulton Street and labeled 132 as depicted on the Sketch.
2. Before starting work, the contractor shall notify Dig safe and shall obtain all applicable permits from the Engineering Division. The project must obtain a Public Right of Way Occupancy (PRO) permit pursuant to Section 74-141 of the City Ordinances prior to commencing work.
3. No other utility structures, conduits, duct banks, pipes, or any other appurtenances are adversely impacted. National Grid shall ensure that all sewer, water, and drain lines are marked prior to any excavation.
4. Placement of the joint owned utility pole must provide at least thirty-six-inch (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and City standards.

5. The cement concrete sidewalk restoration shall be done at the time of pole removal and in consultation with the Engineering Division per the requirements of an approved PRO permit. Any concrete sidewalk damaged during this work must be replaced in-kind and cleanly cut at the control joints. The entire concrete panel will be required to be rebuilt.

6. Temporary Asphalt pavement can be used during interim conditions, however the timing should not extend more than 30 days.

7. The project site must be swept after installation (or daily) and shall be kept free of debris for the duration of the installation.

8. Fulton Street is a very narrow, heavily traveled roadway and requires a mandatory police detail to perform this work. The Engineering Division recommends that the Applicant consult with the Medford Police Department traffic sergeants prior to scheduling this work since work hours may be restricted to outside normal operations.

9. At least 72 hours prior to the start of the project, National Grid must coordinate abutter communications with the Director of Communications and submit any required information that may be requested to effectively inform the public

Approved – City Engineer

Call 781-393-2425 for any accommodations/aids

s/Adam L. Hurtubise
City Clerk

Plans can be viewed in City Clerk's Office, 781-393-2425.

25-083
PETITION FOR GRANT OF LOCATION,
NATIONAL GRID, NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS,
PROPOSED JOINT OWNED POLE 574 FULTON ST
(NATIONAL GRID PLAN #: WR-30806689)
MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

You are hereby notified that by order of the Medford City Council, the Medford City Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Howard F. Alden Chambers at Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, and via Zoom on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., a link to be posted no later than Friday, June 6, 2025, on a petition by Massachusetts Electrical Company dba National Grid, for permission to Install a Joint owned pole, including necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, located at 574 Fulton St.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to Install a Joint owned pole, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary for the transmission of electricity, 574 Fulton St. Medford—Massachusetts, Plan #WR-30806689 originally dated December 27, 2024 and received and filed in the Office of the City Clerk on January 7, 2025 and available for inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, Medford City Hall, Room 103, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, Massachusetts 02155.

The following are the streets and highways referred to: in Plan #WR-30806689 574 Fulton St. National Grid to install and Placement of the joint owned utility near pole labeled P3139-50 as depicted on the Sketch. must provide at least thirty-six inches (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and City standards.

The Engineering Division recommends that this grant of location be approved with the following conditions:

1. The Grant of Location (GOL) is limited to the one additional joint owned utility pole located within the cement concrete sidewalk near 574 Fulton Street and labeled p3139-50 as depicted on the sketch
2. Before starting work, the contractor shall notify Digsafe and shall obtain all applicable permits from the Engineering Division. The project must obtain a Public Right of Way Occupancy (PRO) permit pursuant to Section 74-141 of the City Ordinances prior to commencing work.
3. No other utility structures, conduits, duct banks, pipes, or any other appurtenances are adversely impacted. National Grid shall ensure that all sewer, water, and drain lines are marked prior to any excavation.
4. Placement of the joint owned utility pole must provide at least thirty six inches (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and city standards.

5. The cement concrete sidewalk restoration shall be done at the time of installation and in consultation with the Engineering Division and per the requirements of an approved PRO permit. Any concrete sidewalk damaged during this work must be replaced in-kind and cleanly cut at all of the control joints. Temporary patch using bituminous concrete pavement WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.
6. The project site must be swept after installation or daily and shall be kept free of debris for the duration of the installation.
7. Fulton Street is a very narrow, heavily traveled roadway and requires a mandatory police detail to perform this work. The Engineering Division recommends that Applicant consult with the Medford Police Department traffic sergeants prior to scheduling this work since work hours may be restricted to outside normal operations.
8. At least 72-hours prior to the start of the project, National Grid must coordinate abutter communications with the Director of Communications and submit any required information that may be requested to effectively inform the public.

Approved – City Engineer

Call 781-393-2425 for any accommodations/aids

s/Adam L. Hurtubise
City Clerk

Plans can be viewed in City Clerk's Office, 781-393-2425.

25-084
PETITION FOR GRANT OF LOCATION,
NATIONAL GRID, NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS,
PROPOSED JOINT OWNED POLE 287 Main St & Fredrick Ave
(NATIONAL GRID PLAN #: WR-30987427)
MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

You are hereby notified that by order of the Medford City Council, the Medford City Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Howard F. Alden Chambers at Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, and via Zoom on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., a link to be posted no later than Friday, June 6, 2025, on a petition by Massachusetts Electrical Company dba National Grid, for permission to Install a Joint owned pole, including necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures, located at 574 Fulton St.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission to Install 2 Joint owned pole and Two 5-inch Conduits, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary for the transmission of electricity, 287 Main St. & Fredrick Ave. Medford—Massachusetts, Plan #WR-30806689 originally dated October 2, 2024 and July 12, 2024 and received and filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 16, 2025 and available for inspection in the Office of the City Clerk, Medford City Hall, Room 103, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, Massachusetts 02155.

The following are the streets and highways referred to: in Plan #WR-30806689 287 Main St & Frederick Ave. for National Grid to install and Place 2 joint owned utility near pole labeled P2698-50 & 2698-1 and run 2- 11ft X 5" conduit as depicted on the Sketch. Joint poles must provide at least thirty-six inches (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and City standards.

The Engineering Division received a joint owned pole petition from National Grid that includes two additional joint owned pole located near 287 Main Street (at Fredrick Avenue) dated March 12, 2024 (the Sketch).

The Engineering Division recommends that this grant of location be approved with the following conditions:

1. The Grant of Location (GOL) is limited to the one additional joint owned utility pole located within the cement concrete sidewalk near 287 Main Street (at Fredrick Avenue) and labeled P-2698-1 and one additional joint owned utility pole located within the cement concrete sidewalk near 271 Main Street and labeled P-2698-50 as depicted on the Sketch.
2. Before starting work, the contractor shall notify Dig safe and shall obtain all applicable permits from the Engineering Division. The project must obtain a Public Right of Way Occupancy (PRO) permit pursuant to Section 74-141 of the City Ordinances prior to commencing work.

3. No other utility structures, conduits, duct banks, pipes, or any other appurtenances are adversely impacted. National Grid shall ensure that all sewer, water, and drain lines are marked prior to any excavation.
4. Placement of the joint owned utility pole must provide at least thirty-six inch (36") clearance of accessible travel path around the structure in accordance with ADA regulations and City standards. The placement of the joint owned utility pole must not be located in the wheelchair ramp.
5. The concrete cement sidewalk restoration shall be done at the time of installation and consultation with the Engineering Division regarding the requirements of an approved PRO permit. Any concrete sidewalk damaged during this work must be replaced in-kind and cleanly cut at the control joints. Temporary patching using bituminous concrete pavement will not be permitted.
6. The project site must be swept after installation (or daily) and shall be kept free of debris for the duration of the installation.
7. Main Street, heavily traveled roadway and requires a mandatory police detail to perform this work. The Engineering Division recommends that the Applicant consult with the Medford Police Department traffic sergeants prior to scheduling this work since work hours may be restricted to outside normal operations.
8. At least 72-hours prior to the start of the project, National Grid must coordinate abutter communications with the Director of Communications and submit any required information that may be requested to effectively inform the public.

The Engineering Division received a joint owned pole petition from National Grid that includes the installation of approximately eleven feet of two, 5-inch conduits from existing MH 423 on Main Street to existing pole #P2698-1 and 2698-50 on Fredrick Avenue in Medford, MA dated April 9, 2024 (the Sketch).

The Engineering Division recommends that this grant of location be approved with the following conditions:

1. The Grant of Location (GOL) is limited to the two additional conduits within the cement concrete sidewalk near 271 Main Street (at Fredrick Avenue) as depicted on the Sketch.
2. Before starting work, the contractor shall notify Digsafe and shall obtain all applicable permits from the Engineering Division. The project must obtain a Public Right of Way Occupancy (PRO) permit pursuant to Section 74-141 of the City Ordinances prior to commencing work.
3. No other utility structures, conduits, duct banks, pipes, or any other appurtenances are adversely impacted. National Grid shall ensure that all sewer, water, and drain lines are marked prior to any excavation.

4. Placement of the utility conduit is within an accessible ramp at the MH-423 structure. In accordance with ADA regulations and City standards, the reconstruction of the existing wheelchair ramp and the reciprocal ramps located across Main Street and Fredrick Avenue (3 total) must also be completed. The City can provide engineering design plans for this reconstruction work for your use.
5. The cement concrete sidewalk restoration shall be done at the time of installation and in consultation with the Engineering Division per the requirements of an approved PRO permit. Any concrete sidewalk damaged during this work must be replaced in-kind and cleanly cut at the control joints. Temporary patching using bituminous concrete pavement will not be permitted.
6. The project site must be swept after installation (or daily) and shall be kept free of debris for the duration of the installation.
7. Main Street, heavily traveled roadway and requires a mandatory police detail to perform this work. The Engineering Division recommends that the Applicant consult with the Medford Police Department traffic sergeants prior to scheduling this work since work hours may be restricted to outside normal operations.
8. At least 72-hours prior to the start of the project, National Grid must coordinate abutter communications with the Director of Communications and submit any required information that may be requested to effectively inform the public.

Approved – City Engineer

Call 781-393-2425 for any accommodations/aids

s/Adam L. Hurtubise
City Clerk

Plans can be viewed in City Clerk's Office, 781-393-2425.

Adam Hurtubise
City Clerk
Medford City Hall
City Clerk

May 29, 2025

Mr. Hurtubise,

I am writing with regard to **Petition for Grant of Location 25-084**. Please let it be known to the city council and other responsible parties that this exact location at the corner of Frederick Avenue and Main Street was dedicated as Rapallo Corner by Mayor McGlynn in 2010. A Rapallo Corner sign is currently displayed at that location. The ceremony was covered by The Boston Globe on November 10, 2011 and also local papers. We wish to insure that the Rapallo Corner sign is not removed or if it be necessary prominently displayed on the same corner.

The Rapallo family was brought up at 12 Frederick Avenue the closest home to the corner. There they and their descendants lived for most of the last century. Sal and Anna had 7 sons and 2 daughters four of the sons fought in different branches of the military during WW2. My mother Elizabeth Rapallo (Cammarata) now 103 years old along with her parents saw each of their brothers off from this corner so many years ago.

We would be grateful if you passed this information along to the City Councilors, National Grid, and other associated entities in the project for their review. We would hope that this honor will be preserved for years to come. We would ask that this item be included on the agenda. Please contact me should you need additional information.

Could you please send "the Sketch" as referenced in the notice to this email.

Respectfully
Stephen Cammarata
Graduate Medford High School 1967
617-913-1726
cammy6@comcast.net



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

MEETING DATE

June 10, 2025

SPONSORED BY

Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor

AGENDA ITEM

25-088 - Resolution Requiring Monthly Police Chief Report on ICE Activity in Medford

FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION

WHEREAS Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) has engaged in operations in Medford, and;

WHEREAS ICE notifies the Medford Police Department when they will be engaging in operations in Medford, and;

WHEREAS the Medford Police Department is obligated to the residents of Medford to protect their rights and to enforce laws, and;

WHEREAS it may be a risk to Medford Police officers to disclose ICE operations before they happen;

Be it Resolved by the Medford City Council that the Medford Chief of Police deliver a report of ICE operations in Medford after the fact on a monthly basis.

RECOMMENDATION

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

MEETING DATE

June 10, 2025

SPONSORED BY

Justin Tseng, City Councilor

AGENDA ITEM

25-093 - Resolution to Address Issues on Quincy Street

FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION

Be it Resolved that the City Council discuss issues on Quincy Street, in particular regarding a large rat infestation, needed street paving, and needed stop signs at the intersection of Quincy St. and Osgood St.

RECOMMENDATION

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

MEETING DATE

June 10, 2025

SPONSORED BY

Justin Tseng, City Councilor, Kit
Collins, Council Vice President,
Anna Callahan, City Councilor

AGENDA ITEM

25-095 - Resolution to Reduce Heavy Trucking on Neighborhood Streets

FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION

Be it Resolved that the City Council explore solutions to reduce incidents of heavy trucking on neighborhood streets lacking the capacity, including heavy commercial vehicle exclusions and home rule petitions.

RECOMMENDATION

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS

None



**MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
MAYOR BREANNA LUNGO-KOEHN**

June 5, 2025

Via Electronic Delivery

To the Honorable President and
Members of the Medford City Council
Medford City Hall
85 George P. Hassett Drive
Medford, MA 02155

Re: Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Submissions - Revised

Dear President Bears and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §32, I respectfully request and recommend that the City Council approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 General Fund Budget and Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

The total submitted appropriation for all departments, including schools, is **\$235,130,283**.

| <u>Department</u> | <u>2026 Salaries</u> | <u>2026 Ordinary</u> | <u>Total Request</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Assessor | 419,637.00 | 225,175.00 | 644,812.00 |
| Legislative | 227,259.00 | 80,100.00 | 307,359.00 |
| Executive | 572,238.00 | 118,150.00 | 690,388.00 |
| Finance | 620,295.00 | 259,840.00 | 880,135.00 |
| Treasury | 497,834.00 | 282,225.00 | 780,059.00 |
| Law | 236,828.00 | 288,400.00 | 525,228.00 |
| Info Tech | 122,137.00 | 238,120.00 | 360,257.00 |
| Clerk | 387,536.00 | 21,150.00 | 408,686.00 |
| Elections | 250,349.00 | 144,580.00 | 394,929.00 |
| Licensing Comm | 5,400.00 | 400.00 | 5,800.00 |
| Conserv Comm | 6,400.00 | 1,100.00 | 7,500.00 |
| PDS | 696,043.00 | 227,120.00 | 923,163.00 |
| CommDev Board | 9,800.00 | 300.00 | 10,100.00 |
| Appeals | 12,500.00 | - | 12,500.00 |
| Hist Dist Comm | 1,500.00 | 3,500.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Hist Comm | - | 35,000.00 | 35,000.00 |
| Cable | 164,061.00 | 51,000.00 | 215,061.00 |
| Hormel Comm | 5,400.00 | - | 5,400.00 |



**MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
MAYOR BREANNA LUNGO-KOEHN**

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|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Bicycle Comm | - | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Building | 856,901.00 | 200,905.00 | 1,057,806.00 |
| Electrical | 322,869.00 | 429,225.00 | 752,094.00 |
| Facilities | 284,629.00 | 1,817,500.00 | 2,102,129.00 |
| Police | 14,252,541.00 | 831,356.00 | 15,083,897.00 |
| Traffic Supervisors | 361,500.00 | 9,000.00 | 370,500.00 |
| Traffic Comm | 4,500.00 | 26,000.00 | 30,500.00 |
| Fire | 15,192,244.00 | 610,250.00 | 15,802,494.00 |
| Civil Defense | 8,840.00 | 1,000.00 | 9,840.00 |
| Parking Enforcement | 786,740.00 | 276,000.00 | 1,062,740.00 |
| Recreation | 639,351.00 | - | 639,351.00 |
| Library | 1,640,439.00 | 591,500.00 | 2,231,939.00 |
| DPW-Highway | 2,834,841.00 | 11,194,968.00 | 14,029,809.00 |
| DPW-Cemetery | 807,433.00 | 265,409.00 | 1,072,842.00 |
| DPW-Parks | 625,880.00 | 328,885.00 | 954,765.00 |
| DPW-Engineering | 623,482.00 | 95,600.00 | 719,082.00 |
| DPW-Forestry | 426,165.00 | 192,200.00 | 618,365.00 |
| Health | 867,379.00 | 88,200.00 | 955,579.00 |
| Council on Aging | 190,057.00 | 16,000.00 | 206,057.00 |
| Human Resources | 273,993.00 | 46,500.00 | 320,493.00 |
| DEI | 111,511.00 | 18,400.00 | 129,911.00 |
| Veteran's | 126,002.00 | 322,714.00 | 448,716.00 |
| Contractual Agreements | 1,575,000.00 | - | 1,575,000.00 |
| Workers' Comp | 898,000.00 | 30,000.00 | 928,000.00 |
| Insurance | 31,220,000.00 | | 31,220,000.00 |
| Pensions | 84,043.00 | 16,683,497.00 | 16,767,540.00 |
| Bonds & Interest | - | 5,060,178.00 | 5,060,178.00 |
| Education | 85,490,000.00 | | 85,490,000.00 |
| CITY TOTAL | | | 205,852,504.00 |

And to meet these appropriations, the sum of **Two Hundred Five Million, Eight Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand, Five Hundred and Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$205,852,504.00)** be raised and appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2026 tax levy and other general revenues of the City: and that One Hundred Five Thousand, Three Hundred Dollars (\$105,300.00) be transferred from Sale of Cemetery Lots, that Two Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Six Dollars and Forty Cents (\$257,756.40) be transferred from Cemetery Perpetual Care funds, and One Hundred and Eighty-Five Thousand, Thirty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Four Cents (\$185,034.84) be transferred from Casino Mitigation funds.



**MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
MAYOR BREANNA LUNGO-KOEHN**

| <u>Department</u> | <u>2026 Salaries</u> | <u>2026 Ordinary</u> | <u>Total Request</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Water/Sewer Budget | 2,093,885.00 | 24,847,547.00 | 26,941,022.00 |
| Bonds & Interest | - | 2,336,757.00 | 2,336,757.00 |
| WATER/SEWER TOTAL | | | 29,277,779.00 |

Further, that **Twenty-Nine Million, Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars and No Cents (\$29,277,779.00)** be funded by anticipated revenue of the Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Breanna Lungo-Koehn
Mayor



**MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
MAYOR BREANNA LUNGO-KOEHN**

June 5, 2025

Via Electronic Delivery

To The Honorable President and
Members of the Medford City Council
Medford City Hall
Medford, MA 02155

Re: Use of Free Cash and Retained Earnings

Dear President Bears and City Councilors:

I respectfully request and recommend that your Honorable Body approves the appropriations of:

1. Free Cash in the amount of Two Million, One Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Five Hundred Nineteen Dollars and Nineteen Cents (\$2,136,519.19) on the following items:
 - \$1,469,519.19 to replenish the Capital Stabilization Fund back to \$5 million (currently contains \$3,530,480.81);
 - \$271,000.00 for School Network Switches & Wireless Access Points project;
 - \$216,000.00 for School Mini Split Replacement project;
 - \$100,000.00 for Nexus Studies for Inclusionary Zoning, Linkage fees and Transportation Demand Management; and
 - \$80,000.00 for Supplementary Tree Planting funding.

The balance of free cash before this vote is \$22,160,443.13.

2. Retained Earnings from the Water Enterprise in the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$462,000.00) on the following items:
 - \$100,000.00 to replenish the Water & Sewer Capital Stabilization Fund back to \$2 million (currently contains \$1,900,000.00);
 - \$150,000.00 to replace Water backhoe #70;
 - \$82,000.00 for Improvements to Doonan Street Booster Station;
 - \$80,000.00 for Oak Grove Cemetery Water Service Design; and
 - \$50,000.00 for Rosena Street, Small Sewer Extension.

The balance retained earnings in the water enterprise before this vote is \$10,953,475.00.

Respectfully submitted,


Breanna Lungo-Koehn
Mayor

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City Of Medford
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April 29, 2025

PETITION

To The Honorable City Council:

The undersigned respectfully pray for:

(Please write brief request below)

Quincy Street From Osgood to
Somerville - Osgood from Quincy to
North.

1. Rats infestation ~~high~~ possibly 1,000,-
Street spewing up old patches
Speeding cars, need stop signs
Osgood - Too narrow ~~for~~ five lanes
North & ambulances

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Petitioner's Name: Anne Driscoll

Date: 4-29-2025

Petitioner's Signature: Anne E. Driscoll

Residence: 77 Quincy Street

Place of Business (if applicable): _____

Home/Cell Phone: [REDACTED]

Business Phone: _____

email annedmedford@gmail.com

May 21, 2024

Request to be placed on the City Council agenda for meeting of June 4, 2025

Anne Driscoll
77 Quincy Street
Medford, MA 02155
781 367 6067
Email annedmedford@gmail.com

Rat infestation, possibly 1,000 to 3,000, per City hired inspector from "Yankee Pest".

75 Quincy street to Somerville line .The street is spewing up old double triple patches, needs to be repaved.

Osgood to North Street, speeding cars, needs 3 stop signs, child almost hit.

I respectfully would ask that my petition could be heard early in the hearing. I am older, 81 and disabled with multiple chronic illnesses.

Thank you for your help.

Anne

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