



Medford City Council  
Medford, Massachusetts

**Committee of the Whole, October 15, 2024**

**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 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, Medford City Hall, 85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, MA and via Zoom.

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**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**24-475 - Offered by George Scarpelli, City Councilor**

Resolution to Hold a Question and Answer Session to Discuss Proposed Proposition 2.5 Overrides

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## **Adjournment**



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**SPONSORED BY**

George Scarpelli, City Councilor

**AGENDA ITEM**

**24-475** - Resolution to Hold a Question and Answer Session to Discuss Proposed Proposition 2.5 Overrides

**FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION**

Be it Resolved that the Medford City Council hold a question and answer session to discuss the definitions and terminology regarding the proposed Proposition 2 and a half overrides and the proposed debt exclusion measure.

To that resolution, the following amendments were added:

- Councillor Scarpelli asked that the Administration and the Council on Aging do outreach to Seniors about this meeting.
- Councillor Callahan requested outreach to parents of school-age children, not just teachers, and specifically requested outreach through the PTOs.
- Councillor Tseng requested general outreach, and specifically requested that the community liaisons translate into other languages the information that is on the City website about the overrides and the debt exclusion.

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To ensure the Council is able to answer questions in a timely manner and that decorum is maintained, the Council President will be enforcing the following rules:

- Members of the public will have one (1) minute to ask one (1) question.
- Members of the public will not be able to ask a second question until all who seek to ask a question have had a chance to ask their first question.
- The President will verbally request that residents not ask duplicative or largely similar questions to questions that have already been answered, and may move to the next question if a duplicative or similar question is asked.
- Each councilor will have up to two (2) minutes to answer per question.

- The President will verbally request that Councilors not answer if a duplicative or largely similar answer has been given by another councilor, and may move to the next question if a duplicative or similar answer is given.
- After members of the public have had a chance to ask their first question, the President will open the floor to either a second question or a short public comment by members of the public in attendance.

## RECOMMENDATION

## FISCAL IMPACT

## ATTACHMENTS

None