



Medford City Council
Medford, Massachusetts

The Nineteenth Regular Meeting, 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 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/83440639607>

Call-in Number: +13052241968,,83440639607# US

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

24-479 - Offered by Isaac Bears, Council President

Resolution to Celebrate Sarah Bradlee Fulton Day

24-480 - Offered by Isaac Bears, Council President

Resolution to Thank Two DPW Staff Members for an Act of Kindness and Their Dedicated Service to Medford

Records

The Records of the Meeting of October 1, 2024 were passed to Councillor Scarpelli

Reports of Committees

24-422 - Offered by Anna Callahan, City Councilor

Public Works And Facilities Committee, October 1, 2024, Report To Follow

24-473 - Offered by Isaac Bears, Council President

Committee of the Whole, October 2, 2024, Report to Follow

24-036 and 24-461 - Offered by Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor

Public Health and Community Safety Committee, October 8, 2024, Report to Follow

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

Planning and Permitting Committee, October 9, 2024, Report to Follow

24-468 - Offered by Justin Tseng, City Councilor

Governance Committee, October 9, 2024, Report to Follow

PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND SIMILAR PAPERS

24-472

Petition for Grant of Location - National Grid (Hale Avenue)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

24-473

Offered by Mayor Breanna Lungo-Koehn

Capital Stabilization Fund Appropriation Request

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

24-477

Offered by Election Commission

Medford Call for Election

24-478
Offered by Election Commission

Medford Election Warrant November 2024

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>23-412</u>	Petition to Amend Deed Restriction - 12 Dell Avenue
IN CITY COUNCIL	SEPTEMBER 19, 2023
TABLED	
<u>24-031</u>	Request a Representative from BJ's Wholesale Club Meet to Discuss Construction and Neighborhood Concerns
IN CITY COUNCIL	FEBRUARY 6, 2024
TABLED	
<u>24-352</u>	Petition For a Class II Auto Body License - Finest Auto Body, Inc
IN CITY COUNCIL	MAY 14, 2024
TABLED	
<u>24-457</u>	Request for Amendment to Previously Approved Grant of Location - National Grid
IN CITY COUNCIL	SEPTEMBER 10, 2024
TABLED	
<u>23-449</u>	Wildlife Feeding Ordinance
APPROVED FOR FIRST READING	SEPTEMBER 10, 2024
ADVERTISED	SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 MEDFORD TRANSCRIPT & SOMERVILLE JOURNAL
ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD READING	OCTOBER 15, 2024
<u>24-458</u>	Establish an EV Charging Revolving Fund

APPROVED FOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2024
FIRST READING

ADVERTISED SEPTEMBER 26, 2024
MEDFORD TRANSCRIPT & SOMERVILLE JOURNAL

ELIGIBLE FOR THIRD OCTOBER 15, 2024
READING

Reports Due/Deadlines

- 16-574** University Accountability Spring 2017-Report (Next Report Due in November 2024)
- 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



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	Isaac Bears, Council President
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-479</u> - Resolution to Celebrate Sarah Bradlee Fulton Day
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	Be it Resolved by the Medford City Council that we encourage residents to attend the celebration of Sarah Bradlee Fulton Day on Saturday, October 19, 2024. Be it Further Resolved that we thank Laura Duggan and the city employees and volunteers who make this day possible. More information can be found at lookingbackatmedfordhistory.com .
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	None



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October 15, 2024	Isaac Bears, Council President

AGENDA ITEM
<u>24-480</u> - Resolution to Thank Two DPW Staff Members for an Act of Kindness and Their Dedicated Service to Medford

FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION
Whereas, on Saturday, October 5th, quick thinking by DPW employees Jeff Gangi and Anthony Pompeo helped return a lost wallet to Robert Bohannan, an 82-year-old disabled veteran; and,

Whereas, Mr. Bohannan was deeply thankful to have the wallet returned, both because it was designed by his late brother and because the cards and information would have taken months to replace, describing the act as "as close to a miracle as we have experienced;" and,

Whereas, Mr. Bohannan and his wife wanted to express their gratitude and "do something for these really thoughtful employees" while noting that "they wouldn't take anything" and concluding his letter with the words "We love Medford;" now, therefore:

Be it Resolved by the Medford City Council that we thank Jeff Gangi and Anthony Pompeo from our DPW for their dedicated service to the City of Medford and honor their act of service and kindness that was described by Mr. Bohannan as "the best of many great moments I've experienced in Medford."

RECOMMENDATION

FISCAL IMPACT

ATTACHMENTS
None



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	Anna Callahan, City Councilor
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-422</u> - Public Works And Facilities Committee, October 1, 2024, Report To Follow
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	None



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	Isaac Bears, Council President
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-473</u> - Committee of the Whole, October 2, 2024, Report to Follow
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	None



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	Emily Lazzaro, City Councilor
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-036</u> - Public Health and Community Safety Committee, October 8, 2024, Report to Follow
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	None



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	Justin Tseng, City Councilor
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-468</u> - Governance Committee, October 9, 2024, Report to Follow
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	None

23-472
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PETITION FOR GRANT OF LOCATION,
NATIONAL GRID, NORTH ANDOVER, MASSACHUSETTS,
PROPOSED NEW GAS MAIN – HALE AVENUE

PLAN WO-1530950 DATED JULY 28, 2023

MEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

You are hereby notified that 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, October 15, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., a Zoom link to be posted no later than Friday, October 11, 2024, on a petition by Boston Gas, dba National Grid, for permission to install a new gas main in Hale Avenue, Medford, Massachusetts, in accordance with plan marked WO-1530950, Hale Avenue, Medford, Massachusetts, dated July 28, 2023.

Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it be granted a location for and permission for the transmission and distribution of gas in and under the following public streets, lanes, highways and places of the City of Medford and for the pipes, valves, governors, manholes and other structures, fixtures and appurtenances designed or intended to protect or operate said mains and accomplish the objects of said Company; and the digging up and opening the ground to lay or place same: in accordance with the plan, WO-1530950, for Hale Avenue, Medford, Massachusetts 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 purpose of this Petition is to install approximately 160 feet of new gas main in Hale Street in accordance with the plan DPL-MED-080248-1043 filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

Approved – Chief Engineer with the following conditions:

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 approximately 160 feet of 4-inch gas main as depicted on the Plan.

2. Before starting work, the contractor shall notify Digsafe and shall obtain all applicable permits from the Engineering Division. The project must obtain a Trench 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. The project site must be swept after installation (or daily) and shall be kept free of debris for the duration of the installation.
5. 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.

Call 781-393-2425 for any accommodations/aids

s/Adam L. Hurtubise
City Clerk

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



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	
AGENDA ITEM	
<u>24-473</u> - Capital Stabilization Fund Appropriation Request	
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
Councillor Leming moved to refer the paper with the items to the next regular Council meeting (Councillor Callahan second)—approved on a roll call vote of seven in favor and zero opposed.	
Councillor Lazzaro moved to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. (Councillor Leming second)—approved on a roll call vote of six in favor and Councillor Scarpelli voting present.	
President Bears adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	
I. 2024-10-02_CapitalStabilizationFundAppropriationRequests-Revised_wEnclosures	



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

October 2, 2024 - **Revised**

Via Electronic Delivery

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

Re: Capital Stabilization Fund Appropriation Requests

Dear President Bears and Members of the City Council:

I respectfully request and recommend that your Honorable Body approves the following appropriations from the Capital Stabilization Fund:

- Replacement of the Water Heater at the Brooks Elementary School, in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$267,000).
- **Roadway Patching, in the amount of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight (\$112,728).**
- Replacement of Light Poles in City Parking Lots, in the amount of One Hundred and Five Thousand Dollars (\$105,000) – attached are pictures of some of the light poles.
- City Hall Elevator Repair unforeseen costs, due to upgrades of electrical and fire alarm systems needed for code compliance, in the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000).
- Repairs at Brooks Estate, use of funds must comply with city procurement policies/procedures and state procurement law, in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000).
- **~~Engine 3 Pump Replacement, in the amount of Forty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Six Cents (\$44,621.06).~~**

As your Honorable Body knows, the Capital Stabilization Fund currently has a balance of \$4,538,465.00, given the appropriations made on September 17, 2024. If all the above are approved, the capital stabilization fund would have **\$3,923,737.00** that remains. Any appropriation from any stabilization account requires a 2/3rds majority vote of the City Council.

At the City Council's Committee of the Whole Meeting on Wednesday, October 2nd, Assistant Superintendent Peter Cushing will be available for questions on the water heater replacement, **City Engineer Owen Wartella on the roadway patching project**, Superintendent of Wires Steven Randazzo on the light poles and Facilities Director Paul Righi on the elevator project **Fire Chief Todd Evans on the pump replacement**.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Breanna Lungo-Koehn

**85 George P. Hassett Drive, Medford, MA 02155
781-396-5500 * www.medfordma.org**



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

Mayor

Enclosures

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October 15, 2024	
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-477</u> - Medford Call for Election
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	<p>I. Medford Call For Election September 2024</p>



City of Medford

Election Commission

*85 George P. Hassett Drive, Room 102
Medford, Massachusetts 02155*

781-393-2491

Call for Election
STATE ELECTION
Tuesday, November 5, 2024

BE IT ORDERED: that the Elections Commission be and is hereby authorized and directed to notify and warn such of the inhabitants of the City of Medford, as were qualified by law to vote for candidates at the State Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, to assemble at the polling places in their respective wards and precincts, then and there to give in their votes for:

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

COUNCILLOR

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

CLERK OF COURTS

REGISTER OF DEEDS

and the polls of said STATE ELECTION shall open at 7:00 A.M. and remain open until 8:00 P.M.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: that the following named polling places be, and they are hereby designated for use at the STATE ELECTION on November 5, 2024.

(The said polling places to be open at 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.)

Voting Precincts

Ward 1 Precinct 1	Andrew Middle School, 3000 Mystic Valley Pkwy.
Ward 1 Precinct 2	Fire Fighters' Club, 340 Salem Street
Ward 2 Precinct 1	Roberts Elementary School, 35 Court Street
Ward 2 Precinct 2	Roberts Elementary School, 35 Court Street
Ward 3 Precinct 1	Medford American Legion, 321 Winthrop Street



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Election Commission

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781-393-2491

Ward 3 Precinct 2

Temple Shalom, 475 Winthrop Street

Ward 4 Precinct 1

Tufts University, Gantcher Center Rear, 161 College Ave.
22 Walkling Ct./Auburn and North St. (Fondacaro Center)

Ward 4 Precinct 2

Missituk Elementary School, 37 Hicks Ave.
Missituk Elementary School, 37 Hicks Ave.

Ward 5 Precinct 1

West Medford Fire Station, 26 Harvard Ave.
Brooks Elementary School, 388 High Street

Ward 5 Precinct 2

Ward 6 Precinct 1

Mystic Valley Towers, North Building Entrance
McGlynn Elementary School, 3004 Mystic Valley Pkwy

Ward 6 Precinct 2

Ward 7 Precinct 1

Medford Senior Center, 101 Riverside Avenue
South Medford Fire Station, Zero Medford Street

Ward 7 Precinct 2



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MEETING DATE	SPONSORED BY
October 15, 2024	
AGENDA ITEM	<u>24-478</u> - Medford Election Warrant November 2024
FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION	
RECOMMENDATION	
FISCAL IMPACT	
ATTACHMENTS	<p>I. Medford Election Warrant November 2024.rev</p>

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WARRANT FOR MEDFORD NOVEMBER 2024 STATE ELECTION

SS.

To the Residents of the City of Medford, MA

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said city or town who are qualified to vote in Elections to vote at:

Ward 1 (P1)	Andrews Middle School	3000 Mystic Valley Pkwy
Ward 1 (P2)	Firefighter's Club	340 Salem Street
Ward 2 (P1)	Roberts Elementary School	Park St & Court St
Ward 2 (P2)	Roberts Elementary School	35 Court St
Ward 3 (P1)	American Legion	321 Winthrop St
Ward 3 (P2)	Temple Shalom	475 Winthrop St
Ward 4 (P1)	Tufts University, Gantcher Center	161 College Ave
Ward 4 (P2)	WalkLing Court (Fondacaro)	Auburn St & North St
Ward 5 (P1)	Missituk Elementary School	37 Hicks Ave
Ward 5 (P2)	Missituk Elementary School	37 Hicks Ave
Ward 6 (P1)	West Medford Fire Station	26 Harvard Ave
Ward 6 (P2 & P2A)	Brooks Elementary School	388 High St
Ward 7 (P1)	Mystic Valley Towers	North Building Entrance
Ward 7 (P2 & P2A)	McGlynn Elementary School	3004 Mystic Valley Pkwy
Ward 8 (P1)	Medford Senior Center	101 Riverside Ave
Ward 8 (P2)	South Medford Fire Station	Zero Medford St

On **TUESDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024**, from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the following purpose: To cast their votes in the State Election for the candidates of the political parties for the following offices:

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT
SENATOR IN CONGRESSFOR THIS
COMMONWEALTH
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESSFIFTH
DISTRICT
COUNCILLORSIXTH
DISTRICT
SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT.....SECOND MIDDLESEX

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said voting.

Given under our hands this 8th day of October, 2024.

The Medford City Council: _____

Must be posted NO LATER than October 29, 2024, at each polling location, the library, and City Hall.

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