

Waltham City Council
Minutes of the Special Meeting of
June 21, 2021

City Council President Pro Tem McMenemy called the Special Meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Present: Councillors Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, Paz, Stanley, Vidal and McMenemy.

Absent: Councillors Brasco and O'Brien.

The Clerk recited the Council prayer followed by President Pro Tem McMenemy leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councillor Durkee asked for a moment of silence to honor those who have served in the military past and present.

The Clerk read the call of the Special Meeting stating the matters before the Council were as follows:

1. To continue the review and vote on the proposed FY2022 budget, and
2. Briefing by MWRA officials on Waltham projects.

President Pro Tem McMenemy recognized Councillor LaCava, Chair of the Finance Committee, who offered brief remarks about the budget review process and thanked all who participated in the budget hearings. He thanked the staff of the Auditor's Office for their work in preparing the budget and the employees of WCAC who telecast the budget hearings, among others.

Councillor LaCava made the motions that follow.

1. Councillor LaCava moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council that the amount of \$202,315,132. be appropriated to the accounts designated in the budget schedule to fund the fiscal year 2022 Municipal budget and said amount be assessed in the Revenue of 2022. A vote was taken by the call of the roll.
In favor: Darcy, Dunn, Harris, Durkee, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, Paz, Stanley Vidal and McMenemy.
Opposed: None.
Absent: Brasco and O'Brien.
Approved: 13-0.
2. Councillor LaCava moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council that the amount of \$94,080,441. be appropriated to fund the fiscal year 2022 School budget and said amount be assessed in the Revenue of 2022. A vote was taken by the call of the roll.
In favor: Darcy, Dunn, Harris, Durkee, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, Paz, Stanley Vidal and McMenemy.
Opposed: None.
Absent: Brasco and O'Brien.
Approved: 13-0.

3. Councillor LaCava moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council that the amount of \$406,931. be appropriated to fund the fiscal year 2022 Parking Meter budget.

FROM:

Parking Meter Receipts Reserve \$406,931.

TO:

Parking Meter-Salaries #232-480-5100 \$195,642.

Parking Meter-Expenses #232-480-5200 \$148,700.

Parking Meter-Equipment & Unusual #232-480-5400 \$ 60,589.

Parking Meter-Uniforms #232-480-5500 \$ 2,000.

A vote was taken by the call of the roll.

In favor: Darcy, Dunn, Harris, Durkee, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, Paz, Stanley Vidal and McMenimen.

Opposed: None.

Absent: Brasco and O'Brien.

Approved: 13-0.

4. Councillor LaCava moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council that the City Council re-authorizes four department revolving accounts under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 53e ½ for the City Clerk, Council on Aging, Planning and Recreation Departments. A vote was taken by the call of the roll.

In favor: Darcy, Dunn, Harris, Durkee, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, Paz, Stanley Vidal and McMenimen.

Opposed: None.

Absent: Brasco and O'Brien.

Approved: 13-0.

President Pro Tem McMenimen stated that the Council had approved the FY2022 budget by approving the motions made by Councillor LaCava.

President Pro Tem McMenimen welcomed the representatives from the MWRA and Mayor McCarthy who was present for the MWRA's presentations.

A first presentation by the MWRA was an overview of the Metropolitan Water Tunnel Program which will provide water supply redundancy to Waltham. The presentation covered the proposed water supply tunnels and connections in Waltham as well as the timeline of the work. A handout of the power point presentation was provided to Councillors. A copy is attached as Exhibit 1.

Following the presentation, questions were asked by Councillors LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Mackin, Darcy, LaFauci, Vidal and President Pro Tem McMenimen and answered by members of the MWRA team.

A second presentation by the MWRA was an overview of the Section 101 Extension Water Pipeline Project which will replace 3,800 feet of Waltham 10-inch high pressure water main and 3,700 feet of

Waltham sewer and manholes. A handout of the power point presentation was provided to Councillors. A copy is attached as Exhibit 2.

Following the presentation, questions were asked by Councillors LaFauci, McLaughlin, Darcy and Durkee and answered by members of the MWRA team.

President Pro Tem McMenimen thanked the MWRA representatives for the presentations.

Councillor LaCava moved to adjourn. The motion was adopted by a voice vote.

President Pro Tem McMenimen declared the Special Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Waddick
City Clerk
June 22, 2021

Minutes Approved: 6-28-2021