



City of Malden

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Meeting Minutes - Final City Council

*Council President Neal Anderson,
Councillor David Camell,
Councillor Paul Condon,
Councillor Peg Crowe,
Councillor Deborah DeMaria,
Councillor Amanda Linehan,
Councillor Barbara Murphy,
Councillor Ryan O'Malley,
Councillor Jadeane Sica,
Councillor Craig Spadafora,
Councillor Stephen Winslow*

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

7:00 PM

REMOTE VIRTUAL MEETING

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was delayed and started at 7:32 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF SERVICEMEN & WOMEN

Council President Anderson requested a moment of silence for the 500,000 American lives lost due to Covid.

3. ROLL CALL

City Solicitor Fallon was also in attendance.

Present - Councillors: 11 - Neal Anderson, David Camell, Paul Condon, Peg Crowe, Deborah DeMaria, Amanda Linehan, Barbara Murphy, Ryan O'Malley, Jadeane Sica, Craig Spadafora and Stephen Winslow

4. MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS

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WHEREAS, COVID-19 has had a devastating impact on the health, safety, and well-being of the residents of the City of Malden; and,

WHEREAS, The preventative measures put in place to combat COVID-19 by state and local agencies to prevent the spread and curtail transmission of the coronavirus have had a devastating economic impact on local retail establishments, and have changed the retail options for the residents in the City of Malden; and,

WHEREAS, Existing retail and e-commerce delivery networks currently operate in

the City of Malden and set community standards for every family with sustaining wages, benefits including but not limited to quality health insurance and secure retirement; and,

WHEREAS, Malden's retail and e-commerce delivery options coexist in diverse neighborhoods, while adding value to the fabric of the community, including offering good careers for Malden residents to provide for their families; and,

WHEREAS, Existing e-commerce delivery options have aptly served the residents of the City of Malden throughout the COVID-19 pandemic while maintaining the highest of standards for its' essential workforce; and,

WHEREAS, Amazon, which does not conform to area standards for wages, benefits, and working conditions, may in the future choose the City of Malden for expansion of its e-commerce operations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Malden City Council, hereby assembled, urges Amazon to meet and confer with the Malden community, included, but not limited to, representatives of labor unions including the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 25, locally impacted neighborhood groups, local residents, and other interested parties to discuss how Amazon can expand delivery operations, warehouses, and fulfillment centers in a way that is beneficial to the City of Malden and its residents while guaranteeing sustainable growth for the City and helping to ensure that fair and equitable employment standards are maintained for all e-commerce delivery networks; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Prior to any expansion into the City of Malden, Amazon commits to and presents sufficient evidence to the Malden City Council that its operations meet or exceed current Community Standards established by existing e-commerce delivery networks. This commitment would include that all delivery drivers will be direct employees of Amazon and not independent contractors. Amazon must commit that all of its delivery drivers will be competent, safe drivers, that Amazon and its delivery drivers will maintain the utmost professional conduct in their day-to-day operations in the neighborhoods of the City of Malden.

Sponsors: Jadeane Sica, Neal Anderson, David Camell, Paul Condon, Peg Crowe, Deborah DeMaria, Amanda Linehan, Barbara Murphy, Ryan O'Malley, Craig Spadafora and Stephen Winslow

Councillor Sica introduced the paper. All 10 remaining councillors requested to be added as co-sponsors of the paper.

Councillor Sica made a motion to suspend Council Rules, seconded by Councillor Spadafora, the following roll call vote was taken; Camell (y), Condon (y), Crowe (y), DeMaria (y), Linehan (y), Murphy (y), O'Malley (y), Sica (y), Spadafora (y), Winslow (y), Anderson (y)

A motion was made by Councillor Sica, seconded by Councillor Condon, that the Resolution be passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Camell, Condon, Crowe, DeMaria, Linehan, Murphy, O'Malley, Sica, Spadafora and Winslow

5. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Council President Anderson announced the formation of a Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Committee; O'Malley (chair), DeMaria and Linehan.

6. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councillor O'Malley, seconded by Councillor Sica, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 P.M.

Yea: 11 - Anderson, Camell, Condon, Crowe, DeMaria, Linehan, Murphy, O'Malley, Sica, Spadafora and Winslow

GREGORY LUCEY, CITY CLERK