

Waltham City Council  
Minutes of the Meeting of  
May 26, 2026

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President Logan called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Artie Kronenfeld from the Waltham Times was recognized as recording the meeting.

Present: Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, Hanley, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis, Vidal and President Logan.

Absent: None.

City Clerk Vizard recited the Council Prayer followed by President Logan leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Councillor Durkee asked for a moment of silence for all the military that have served past and present.

Councillor Hanley made a motion that was approved by a voice vote to suspend Rule 8 to take the Sixth Grade Girls Basketball Resolution out of order. Councillor Hanley made a motion to take the Waltham Boys Grade 3 & 4 Metrowest Travel Basketball Resolution out of order. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Clerk Vizard read the Resolution. Councillor Hanley spoke on the two teams. Councillor Hanley made a motion to suspend Rule 9 to hear from Mayor McCarthy. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Hanley and Mayor McCarthy handed out Resolutions and Proclamations to both teams and their coaches. Councillor Hanley move to suspend Rule 39 to act on the Sixth Grade Girls Basketball Resolution without Committee reference. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Hanley moved approval of the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote and the Sixth Grade Girls Basketball Resolution was approved. Councillor Hanley move to suspend Rule 39 to act on the Waltham Boys Grade 3 & 4 Metrowest Travel Basketball Resolution without Committee reference. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Hanley moved approval of the Resolution. The motion was approved by a voice vote and the Waltham Boys Grade 3 & 4 Metrowest Travel Basketball Resolution was approved.

President Logan declared a 2 minute recess at 7:48 p.m.  
Council reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Councillor LeBlanc moved approval of the regular City Council meeting minutes of 5/11/2026. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Clerk Vizard read Rule 86.

First Public Hearing: 17-25 Street Opening 108 Greer Street

Clerk Vizard read the public hearing notice. Joseph and Elizabeth Dragone of 108 Greer Street, the petitioners spoke on the matter. Carl Attardo, 19 Cedarcroft Lane, Waltham representing the petitioner, spoke on the matter. With no one else in favor, no one in opposition and no one in a neutral position to the petition President Logan closed that part of the public hearing and opened the hearing up to questions from Councillors. Councillors Hanley, Vidal and Tzioumis questions. Mr. Dragone and Mr. Attardo provided answers. With no further questions President Logan closed the public hearing and referred the matter to the Public Works and Public Safety Committee.

### Second Public Hearing: Grant of Location for National Grid

Councillor Durkee made a motion that was approved by a voice vote to wave the reading of the Public Hearing notice. Clerk Vizard read the first paragraph of the notice. Mary Mulroney, 201 Rivermore Street, West Roxbury, MA, representing the petitioner, spoke on the matter. 1 person stood in favor of the petition. With no one else in favor, no one else in opposition and no one else in a neutral position to the petition President Logan closed that part of the public hearing and opened the hearing up to questions from Councillors. Councillors Durkee, LaCava, LaFauci and Katz asked questions. Ms. Mulroney provided answers. With no further questions President Logan closed the public hearing and referred the matter to the Licenses and Franchises Committee.

### Third Public Hearing: Special Permit application for Micol, LLC at 220 Moody Street (Recessed from 4/13/26)

Clerk Vizard read the public hearing notice. Attorney Phillip McCourt, 272 Bacon Street, Waltham, MA representing the petitioner gave an update on the matter. With no further questions President Logan recessed the public hearing until a date certain of August 3, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

### **Communications from the Mayor**

1. The Mayor respectfully requested acceptance of a financing transaction totaling \$22,000 to fund the first year of the three-year collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Mechanic's Union for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028. Referred to the Finance Committee.
2. The Mayor respectfully requested a financing transaction totaling \$129,420 to fund the first year of the three-year collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Manager's Union for the period July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2028. Referred to the Finance Committee.
3. The Mayor respectfully requested acceptance of a construction grant from MassDOT under the Complete Streets Funding Program in the amount of \$289,982. Referred to the Finance Committee.
4. The Mayor respectfully requested funding in the amount of \$59,000 for the construction of the Illicit Discharge & Detection Elimination (IDDE) program. Referred to the Finance Committee.
5. The Mayor respectfully requested an appropriation in the amount of \$20,000 to purchase two (2) noise meter devices for the Building Inspections Department. Referred to the Finance Committee.

### **Applications and Licenses**

All Applications and Licenses referred to the Licenses and Franchises Committee.

1. Tables & Chairs on Sidewalks Permit – 434 Moody Street – Peppino's Dosa
2. Fortune Tellers License Application – 39 Fiske Street, Apt. 1, Waltham – Minwoo Park

### **Resolutions, Orders and Ordinances**

- Waltham Boys Grade 3 & 4 Metrowest Travel Basketball Resolution  
This matter was handled earlier in the meeting.
- Sixth Grade Girls Basketball Resolution

This matter was handled earlier in the meeting.

- Resolution for Waltham Pride Day 2026  
Clerk Vizard read the Resolution. Councillor Bradley-MacArthur spoke on the Resolution. Referred to the Committee of the Whole.
- Resolution for an Update on Road and Utility Projects  
Clerk Vizard read the Resolution. Councillor King spoke on the Resolution. Referred to the Public Works and Public Safety Committee.

President Logan relinquished the Chair to Vice President LeBlanc.

President Logan made a motion that was approved by a voice vote to discharge the Keeping Waltham Clean Resolution from the Economic and Community Development Committee. President Logan made a request to have the Director of Public Works, the Social Media Coordinator, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, and a representative from the Downtown Waltham Partnership attend the Economic and Community Development Committee meeting on June 1, 2026 for the purpose of discussing the Keeping Waltham Clean Resolution. The request was approved by a voice vote. President Logan moved to recommit the matter to the Economic and Community Development Committee. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

Vice President LeBlanc relinquished the Chair to President Logan.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Committee of the Whole**

1. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Citizens Input Hearing for the 190 Trapelo Road Resolution be filed. Councillor LeBlanc moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was filed.
2. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Waltham Cultural Committee Resolution be filed. Councillor LeBlanc moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was filed.
3. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Charles River Watershed Association Resolution be filed. Councillor LeBlanc moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was filed.
4. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Waltham Fields Community Farm license agreement be approved. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself. Councillor Durkee moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. Roll call requested.  
In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: None.  
Presiding: Logan.  
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5. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Green Rows of Waltham, Inc. license agreement be approved. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself. Councillor Durkee moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. Roll call requested.  
In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: None.  
Presiding: Logan.  
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6. The Committee of the Whole recommended the Healthy Waltham Farm license agreement be approved. Councillor LeBlanc recused himself. Councillor Durkee moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. Roll call requested.  
In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: None.  
Presiding: Logan.  
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### **Finance**

1. The Finance Committee recommended an appropriation in the amount of \$50,458.50 to provide a 50% match for the purchase of 85 new police body armor and 11 Safariland overt carriers be approved. Councillor Katz moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
2. The Finance Committee recommended an appropriation of \$2,500 for the Disability Services Commission for handicapped projects be approved. Councillor Katz moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
3. The Finance Committee recommended the acceptance of the fourth installment of a State grant in the amount of \$34,689.60 from the Executive Office of Aging and Independence be approved. Councillor Katz moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
4. The Finance Committee recommended the acceptance of a grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety in the amount of \$4,200 for the Senior SAFE Program for the Fire Department be approved. Councillor Katz moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.

### **Long Term Debt and Capital Planning**

1. The Long Term Debt and Capital Planning Committee recommended the approval of a loan authorization in the amount of \$8,640,291 for the acquisition of the building located at 600 Main Street and that the matter be given a second and final reading. Councillor Durkee moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. Roll call required.

In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.

Opposed: None.

Absent: None.

Presiding: Logan.

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### **Licenses and Franchises**

1. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the authorization for the installation and naming of a bench at the lower field at Waltham High School in memory of Josephine Finnegan be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
2. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the authorization for the installation and naming of a bench at Lowell field in memory and honor of Malcolm Bourgeois be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
3. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Class II license renewal at 53 Felton Street for Pilgrim Auto Body, Inc. be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
4. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 469 Moody Street for Sweet Basil Restaurant be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
5. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 367 Moody Street for Lizzy's Ice Cream be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
6. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 467 Moody Street for Deep Ellum be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
7. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 458-470 Moody Street for CDR LLC, DBA Rassa be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
8. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 484 Moody Street for Amuleto Mexican Table be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.

9. The Licenses and Franchises Committee recommended the Tables and Chairs on Sidewalks Permit at 315 Moody Street for Farmers India Market & Café be approved. Councillor Vidal moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.

### **Ordinances and Rules**

1. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended the Pet Grooming Resolution be approved. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
2. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended that the City Clerk schedule a Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Survey and Planning on Monday, June 8, 2026 regarding the RCI 1 Zoning Overlay District for petitioners Bay Colony LLC & BXP Waltham Woods LLC. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
3. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended that the City Clerk schedule a Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Survey and Planning on Monday, June 8, 2026 regarding the RCI 2 Zoning Overlay District for petitioners Stony Brook Associates LLC. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
4. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended that the City Clerk schedule a Joint Public Hearing with the Board of Survey and Planning on Monday, June 8, 2026 regarding the RCI 3 Zoning Overlay District for petitioners 1265 Main Street LLC. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.
5. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended the Affordable Housing Zoning Amendment be approved for a first reading. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved. Councillor Harris moved to table the matter on the Council Floor. The motion was approved by a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
6. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended the Pet Grooming Zoning Amendment be approved for a first reading. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved. Councillor Harris moved to table the matter on the Council Floor. The motion was approved by a voice vote and the matter was tabled.
7. The Ordinances and Rules Committee recommended the Time Extension for 1265 Main Street LLC. order #36629 be approved. Councillor Harris moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. Roll call required.  
In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: None.  
Presiding: Logan.

### **Cable Access Committee**

1. The Cable Access Committee recommended Waltham WCAC-TV request for PEG Salary/Expenses/Equipment in the amount of \$108,500.47 be approved. Councillor Dunn rose to amend the amount to \$71,849.59. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Dunn moved that the action of the Committee be the action of the Council. The motion was approved by a voice vote, and the matter was approved.

### **Unfinished Business & Other Business**

- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$1,130,000 CPA Funds for the Purchase and Installation of an Inclusive Playground at Northeast Elementary School. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$8,500 CPA Funds for the restoration of the Revolutionary War Monument on the Waltham Common. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$1,000,000 CPA Funds for the creation of a Women's Shelter. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$6,895 CPA Funds for the conservation and treatment of Waltham's first book of town records. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$804,900 CPA Funds for the acquisition of 48 and 48 BEF Mount Walley Road. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation for an allocation of \$944,900 CPA Funds for the acquisition of 50 Mount Walley Road. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.
- CPC Recommendation of \$178,259 for the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. Referred to the Long Term Debt & Capital Planning Committee.

### **Tabled Items**

- 66 Brewster Road (Tabled 6/9/25)
- Mayor's Communication regarding a potential real estate matter (Tabled 4/13/2026)
- Loan Authorization in the amount of \$1,450,000 to purchase high voltage substation at 200 Trapelo Rd (1<sup>st</sup> reading 4/27/26)  
Councillor Durkee made a motion to take matter off the table. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Councillor Durkee moved for a second and final reading. Roll call required.  
In favor: Councillors Bradley-MacArthur, Brasco, Dunn, Durkee, Hanley, Harris, Katz, King, LaCava, LaFauci, LeBlanc, McLaughlin, Tzioumis and Vidal.  
Opposed: None.  
Absent: None.

Presiding: Logan.  
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With no further matters Councillor Harris made a motion to adjourn. The motion was approved by a voice vote. President Logan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Cathy Magliarditi  
Executive Assistant to the City Clerk  
June 3, 2026