



City Council

Regular Meeting

~Final~

36 Court Street
Springfield, MA 01103

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Gladys Oyola-Lopez

September 23,
2025

7:00 PM

City Hall - Room 200

Roll Call

Councilors Brown and Santaniello were REMOTE for the Hearing's meeting.

Moment Of Silence - Pledge Of Allegiance

Informational

Municipal Election Warrant

1. Municipal Election Warrant

City Clerk and Election Commissioner Gladys Oyola-Lopez presented the Municipal Election Warrant for the 2025 Election with the corresponding polling locations.

Special Permits

2. ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2.2 "GENERAL TERMS DEFINED" shall be amended to delete the existing definition of "BUILDING COMMISSIONER"

Tim Sheehan, spoke in explaining the change in the administrative structure of the zoning board office.

Attorney Tom Moore spoke to add further clarification. Councilor Davila asked if the change had been voted on before. Attorney Moore noted that there are two different areas in the general government. Tim Sheehan noted that it was on the agenda before for a council vote, but no one was there to present on the topic.

Councilor Whitfield asked if this would change the job definition. Attorney Moore noted that the definition is already true. There is no change in terms of position, personnel or reporting responsibilities.

Councilor Perez asked if the Zoning Board of Appeals will be adding more commissioners and if they will continue to play the same role.

Councilor Whitfield noted her wish to have younger board participants and people of color.

3. Change in Petitioner — 484 Boston Road, 472 Boston Road & NS Boston Road

Councilor Govan made a motion to continue to the next hearing's meeting taking place on 10/27/2025. Councilor Whitfield seconded the motion.

Councilor Walsh inquired why the item is being continued.

Councilor Govan stated that she has been getting calls and there are some issues that need to be ironed out before the item is heard by the Council.

Councilor Davila asked if the permit could be split, and the Council President advised that it could not.

Councilor Santaneillo was AWAY for the vote on the Motion to Continue.

4. Special Permit — accessory wall sign(s), above the first floor at the property known as 1500 Main Street.

Wesley Days, General Manager, 66 Kent St, spoke on the Special Permit. He spoke on the signage that will be named after Henry Thomas III. Mr. Days received the approval from the respective neighborhood council.

Councilor Allen asked for the location and size of the sign. Mr. Days stated that the sign is 10ft long and 4ft wide on Main Street above the Towersquare sign. UMASS Amherst Henry M Thomas III Center.

Councilor Walsh will be supporting the signage.

Councilor Delgado recused himself for this item.

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