



Watertown City Council

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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024, 6:00 P.M. RICHARD E. MASTRANGELO COUNCIL CHAMBER ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 149 MAIN STREET

MINUTES

ACCESS INFORMATION:

- A. This meeting will be held on December 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Richard E. Mastrangelo Council Chamber
- B. The meeting will be televised through WCATV (Watertown Cable Access Television):
<http://vodwcatv.org/CablecastPublicSite/?channel=3>
- C. Public may comment through email: vpiccirilli@watertown-ma.gov
- D. Please Visit the City Council Website here: <https://www.watertown-ma.gov/350/City-Council>

1. ROLL CALL

Council President Sideris called to order a regular meeting of the City Council at 6:15 p.m. in the Richard E. Mastrangelo Chamber, Administration Building. Those present were Councilors John M. Airasian, Caroline Bays, Lisa J. Feltner, John G. Gannon, Nicole Gardner, Emily Izzo, Anthony Palomba, Vice President Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr., and Council President Mark S. Sideris. Also present were George Proakis City Manager, Mark Reich (Via Zoom), City Attorney, and Brendan T. McCarthy, Council Clerk.

2. CONFIRMATORY VOTE

- A. Consideration and vote on acceptance of G.L. c. 59, sec. 5C regarding tax exemptions for residential real property, and to ratify, validate, and confirm the City Council's approval at its meeting on December 10, 2024 of an

exemption equal to 35 percent of the average assessed value of residential parcels within the City.

City Attorney Reich stated that the specific language in this item above was not present in the agenda for the City Council Meeting on December 10 where the matter was voted on. This action is merely a confirmatory vote supporting the Council's previous decision while adding this pertinent language.

Councilor Piccirilli moved to make the confirmatory vote and Councilor Feltner seconded.

The motion carried in a unanimous Voice Vote.

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:15 P.M.

- A. Executive Session pursuant to G.L.c. 30A, sec. 21 (a)(6) to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body - 1 Grove Street & 138 Waltham Street

Councilor Piccirilli moved to enter into Executive Session and Councilor Feltner seconded.

The motion passed unanimously in a Voice Vote.

4. RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Piccirilli made a motion to adjourn and Councilor Feltner seconded.

The motion was adopted unanimously in a Roll Call Vote.

The meeting did not return to open session and adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting of the City Council for which a quorum was present, the above minutes were adopted by a vote of ___ for, ___ against, and ___ present on January 14, 2025.

Mark S. Sideris, Council President
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ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mark S. Sideris,
Council President

Caroline Bays,
Councilor At Large

Nicole Gardner,
District A Councilor

Vincent J. Piccirilli, Jr.,
Vice President &
District C Councilor

John G. Gannon,
Councilor At Large

Lisa J. Feltner,
District B Councilor

John M. Airasian,
Councilor At Large

Anthony Palomba,
Councilor At Large

Emily Izzo,
District D Councilor