



***Waltham City Council  
Licenses and Franchises Committee  
Minutes  
Monday, March 1, 2021  
City Council Chamber  
610 Main Street  
Waltham, MA 02452***

Chairman Vidal called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

**Attendance**

**Present:**

Carlos A. Vidal

Caren Dunn

John J. McLaughlin

Patrick J. O'Brien

Jonathan Paz

Absent: none

Councillor Dunn moved approval of minutes from the February 16, 2021 meeting. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

*Lodging house renewal – HUD Tree Dorms – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Castle Hall Upper – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Stratton House Beaver – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Slade Hall Upper – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Nathan R. Miller Hall Upper - Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Kresge Hall Upper – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal - Fenway Hall – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal - Forest Hall Upper – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal - Copley Hall South Lower – Bentley University- 175 Forest Street*  
*Lodging house renewal – Copley Hall North Lower – Bentley University - 175 Forest Street*  
Councillor McLaughlin moved to act on the matters collectively. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin moved approval. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matters were forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation for approval.

*Lodging house renewal – 17-19 Chestnut Street – Stanley & Lexi Bloomenthal*  
Councillor McLaughlin said he did not have the paperwork on that matter and moved that it be tabled until it is provided. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

*Secondhand dealer's renewal – 318 Moody Street – Marcou Jewelers*  
Councillor McLaughlin moved approval. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation for approval.

***Grant of Location Lexington Street National Grid***

Mary Mulroney from National Grid presented the petition which is for a gas line to the new High School. City Engineer Robert Winn had questions about the abandoning of the 8-inch line in the street. Ms. Mulroney said that this is an elevated pressure line that is exclusively for the High School. National Grid Engineer Richard McLaren said that no other lines will be abandoned

because this is a dedicated line that will only feed the High School. Mr. Winn agreed that since this is the case the line will not be abandoned. Councillor Dunn asked about the stub line shown on the plan. Mr. McLaren said it is there incase another connection is needed later. Councillor McMenimen asked further questions about the location of the gas lines. Councillor LaFauci expressed concern about multiple street openings and it being disruptive to the neighbors. Councillor Dunn asked about the solar panels on the meter. Councillor McLaughlin moved to approve that matter with a condition that the a 17-25 street opening is acquired. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation for approval.

*Grant of Location Felton Street Eversource*

Councillor Paz asked about the grant of location. Maureen Carroll said that this is for an underground connection. City Wires Inspector Tim Kelly, and City Engineer Robert Winn expressed concern about the number of utilities already in the ground in this area. Councillor Paz said he prefers an underground connection if the connection can be made safely. Maureen Carroll said she would get back to the Council about the contractor doing the work and obtaining an MWRA permit to cross the water line. Councillor Paz moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

*Resolution in Memory of Virginia Monroe*

Councillor Paz made request to the Mayor to find a suitable location to name after Ms. Monroe, who was a dedicated leader of our community. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Paz moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor O'Brien moved to adjourn at 7:48 pm. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph W. Vizard  
March 13, 2021