

Waltham City Council Ordinances and Rules Committee Minutes Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Hoover Committee Room City Hall, 610 Main Street Waltham, Massachusetts

Chairman McLaughlin called the meeting to order at 12:02

Present:
John J. McLaughlin
George A. Darcy, III
Cathyann Harris
Robert G. Logan
Absent:
Randall J. LeBlanc

Councillor Logan moved to suspend rule 1 to continue beyond midnight. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor Logan moved to accept the minutes from 2/4/2019. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

New matters:

Special Permit 300 Third Ave increase in Floor Area Ratio (FAR) to 1.79 Councillor Darcy asked about the EOEA letter of December 21, 2018. Councillor Darcy moved to hear from off committee members. Attorney Michael Connors reviewed the letter and included the response in a communication dated February 14 2019. Councillor Darcy asked about the number of bike racks. Attorney Connors said they have increased the number of bike spaces form 24 to 35. Councillor Darcy asked if the petitioner would consider an air stations. Councillor Darcy asked about automatic doors. Attorney Connors said they were included. Councillor Logan asked about 128 Building Council. Councillor Logan asked if they would be participating in the shuttle program. Councillor Logan said he is glad to see an increase in the number of charging stations. Councillor Logan asked about the Traffic Commission recommendations. Attorney Connors expressed concern about what is being requested by the Traffic Commission. Councillor Logan asked about adding a condition that would address the Traffic Commission letter. Councillor Logan asked the petitioner about a letter form 1265 Main street dated February 19, 2019. Attorney Connors addressed portions of the letter including explaining the scope of the traffic study that was completed for this special permit application. Attorney Connors said the state MEPA study included development at 1265

Main Street. John Capuano spoke about planned roadway improvements. Councillor Logan moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Special Permit 415 South Street nt review the Special Permit wireless communication equipment

Councillor Logan moved to take the matter from the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Logan moved to request that the Law Department review the Special Permit. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Logan moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Interpretive Service Resolution

Councillor Logan moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Special Permit Modification at 450 Totten Pond Road

Councillor Logan asked questions of the petitioner. Councillor Logan moved to ask the Law Department if the City Council can grant a minor modification to a special permit granted by the Board of Appeals under 3.552. The request was approved. Councillor Logan moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Zoning Amendment Moratorium on Marijuana Establishments (Recommitted)
Councillor Logan moved that the matter be given a second reading. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be given a second reading.

Zoning Amendment Non-medical Marijuana Establishments (Recommitted)
Councillor Logan moved to send the matter to the Law Department for review. The
motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Logan moved that the matter be given
a second reading. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was
forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be given a second reading.

FY2019 Compensation Ordinance Amendment CPW Director (Recommitted)
Councillor Logan moved to send the matter to the Law Department for review. The
motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Logan moved that the matter be given
a second reading. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was
forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be given a second reading.

General Ordinance Amendment Consolidating Water and Sewer and Public Works (Recommitted)

Councillor Logan moved that the matter be given a second reading. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be given a second reading.

Tabled matters:

550 Winter Street.

Councillor Logan moved to hear from an off committee member Attorney Parre. Councillor Logan moved approval. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be approved.

Non-Medical Marijuana Zoning (Recomitted)

Councillor Logan moves to send the Ordinance to the Law Department for review for form and constitutionality and to include questions put together by the Ward 7 Councillor and asked that they be answered and to include the communication from Watch City Cannabis Committee and to ask regarding the Cannabis Committee letter Can we do this?

Can this be amended into the language without having another public hearing? The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor Darcy moved to hear form off committee member. Vonde Marisma spoke about the importance of hours of operations for grow operations. Mr. Marisma spoke about the social equity matters related to Marijuana business. Councillor Darcy moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Convenience Food Stores

Attorney Connors reviewed his communication dated February 13, 2019. Attorney Connors reviewed amendments to the proposal. Councillors Logan and Harris discussed the proposal. Councillor Darcy moved to table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor Logan moved to go past 1:00 am. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Compensation Ordinance Assistant City Planner/Sustainability

Councillor Logan moved to take the matter from the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Logan moved that the matter be given a second reading. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be given a second reading

Councillor Logan moved to adjourn at 1:01. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, Joseph W. Vizard Assistant City Clerk