



CITY OF MELROSE
LEGAL & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
AGENDA • APRIL 24, 2017

Aldermanic Chamber, Melrose City Hall
562 Main Street, Melrose, MA 02176

Committee Meeting

7:30 PM

The public should take notice that the Melrose Board of Aldermen may, on certain occasions, have a quorum in attendance due to standing committees of the Board of Aldermen consisting of both voting and non-voting members. Members attending this duly posted meeting are participating and deliberating only in conjunction with the business of the standing committee.

I. CALL TO ORDER

John N. Tramontozzi	Chairman
Francis X. Wright Jr.	Vice Chairman
Peter D. Mortimer	Ward 6 Alderman
Scott M. Forbes	Ward 7 Alderman
Michael P. Zwirko	Alderman at Large
Donald L. Conn Jr.	President/Ex-officio Member
Robert A. Boisselle	Nonvoting Member
Gail M. Infurna	Nonvoting Member
Jennifer L. Lemmerman	Nonvoting Member
Mary Beth McAteer-Margolis	Nonvoting Member
Monica C. Medeiros	Nonvoting Member

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

III. ORDERS

1. **ORDER-2017-124** : Petition to the Great and General Court to enact a Special Act: "An Act Authorizing the City of Melrose to allow the Installation of Secondary Water Meters in Two-Family, Owner Occupied Residential Properties".

Sponsored by: Vice Chairman Francis X. Wright Jr.

From: Board of Aldermen

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

IV. ADJOURNMENT



CITY OF MELROSE

CITY CLERK

City Hall, 562 Main Street
Melrose, MA 02176
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MARY-RITA O'SHEA

City Clerk

To: Mayor Robert Dolan
From: Mary-Rita O'Shea
Meeting Date: April 3, 2017
Subject: Home Rule Petition to allow installation of Secondary Water Meter in Two-Family, Owner Occupied Res
Order #: ORDER-2017-124

Offered by Alderman Francis X. Wright, Jr.

Home Rule Petition to allow 2 family, owner-occupied residences to have a secondary water meter for the non-owner occupied dwelling unit, as follows:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MELROSE TO ALLOW THE INSTALLATION OF SECONDARY WATER METERS IN TWO-FAMILY, OWNER OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding chapter 417 of the Acts of 2004 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the city of Melrose may allow a landlord who occupies a two family residential property, to install a permanent secondary meter so as to enable the landlord to separately measure water supplied to each dwelling units.

SECTION 2. The secondary meter shall only measure water usage in the tenant's dwelling unit. All common and other areas water usage shall be measured by the meter that measures water usage in the owner's dwelling unit.

SECTION 3. The secondary meter shall be charged to the owner as a second water account, shall be subject to a separate base charge and shall be the responsibility of the owner and not the tenant.

SECTION 4. The owner occupant shall be subject to all requirements of a landlord as set forth in chapter 417 of the Acts of 2004, and for purposes of this act the term “secondary meter” shall replace the word “submeter,” and the secondary meter shall be subject to all submeter requirements.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:N/A

RESULT:	ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE	Next: 4/24/2017 7:30 PM
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