

City of Salem, Massachusetts



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The City Council Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs

met remotely via zoom on Tuesday February 8th at 6:00 P.M.

for the purpose of discussing the matters(s) listed below. Notice of this meeting was posted on

January 31st, 2022 at 12:58 PM

(This meeting is being recorded)

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT WERE: None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: COW: C Hapworth C Morsillo C Watson – Felt **City of Salem:** Beth Rennard, Jenna Ide, Lisa Cammarata

SUBJECT(S)

- Municipal Green Building Ordinance
- Ordinance amending Ch. 2, Sec. 2028 – Providing Auxiliary Aids and Services for Public Meetings

Ordinance amending Ch. 2, Sec. 2028 – Providing Auxiliary Aids and Services for Public Meetings

Took up Aux Aides first: C Riccardi provided background on this ordinance submitted to council from the Mayor's office in Feb 2020. The ordinance amendment is based on a recommendation from the ADA Transition plan completed by the city in 2019 and states that public meeting notices must include the noted language around ADA services. C Riccardi noted most boards and commissions currently have this language on their posted agendas, including the council, and adding it to the ordinances will codify the requirement. L Cammarata noted that codifying this as ordinance is important and it continues to promote accessibility. She will review the funding needed for these services with the Disabilities Commission as well as add a note on the city website for a process to request these services.

C Cohen moved that this be referred to the council with a positive recommendation for adoption for first passage Seconded by C Varela

Discussion: C Dominguez asked if the request for services can come through in less than 48 hours. What if someone did not have the two-day window, can they still request? L Cammarata stated they will accommodate always if possible. But there are some items that require the lead time – specifically for sign language interpreters for example. C Prosniewski asked about any license or certification requirements for those providing services. L Cammarata stated that yes, they would need certain certification, and credentials where in line with what is needed.

RCV on C Cohens motion: Passed 5/ 0

Municipal Green Building Ordinance

C Riccardi screen shared the current draft of the Ord. Amendments made by Jenna Ide and Beth Rennard since the previous OLLA meeting were reviewed.

Section 12.251: Reviewed the addition of language in section (1) New construction, renovation and additions; amendments included language for structures under 5,000 sq ft to utilize utility incentives as well as material reuse. C Cohen stated agreement with amendment. Section (2) Design Teams; Reviewed amendment from last meeting to add “or other comparable accreditation”. No discussion. Section (3) Green infrastructure and Permeable materials – reviewed edits from last meeting. C Hapworth asked if this could possibly be a location to add more language around Permeable surface materials and what that means. After discussion C Cohen motioned to add language at the end of section (3) to state “and for any size projects requiring impervious surface it is encouraged to utilize permeable materials, including but not limited to porous paving, concrete and bricks when appropriate.”

Section 12.252: Reviewed the addition of language in (1) “within three months of the date of this ordinance” from last meeting; No discussion. In (2) Waste reduction: confirmed the removal of the last line from the previous meeting as well as the addition of language from J Ide and B Rennard: “For projects involving site work or refurbishing, the City shall seek to restore, repurpose or recycle materials and furniture to the extent feasible and applicable”. J Ide noted this language is in two places as there are times where materials may be reused, not necessarily related to a building project. No further discussion

Section 12-254 Approvals and Waivers: Reviewed the edits of the final two paragraphs which results in the Purchasing Agent being the final approval of all waivers, and SERC being advisory. Also the addition of language to report on waivers annually to SERC. C Cohen noted this reflects the intent discussed at the last meeting and that leaving the final approval to the Purchasing Agent makes sense. No further discussion.

Definition: Minor typos and expansions of acronyms were reviewed.

Motion made by C Varela to accept all amendments and revisions as discussed this evening, seconded by C Dominguez.

RCV; passes 5/0

Motion made by C Cohen to recommend adoption as amended for first passage, seconded by C Prosniewski.

RCV; passes 5/0

On the motion of C. Varela Seconded by C Dominguez, RCV 5/0 the meeting adjourned at 6:39 P.M.



(Chairperson)