

City of Salem, Massachusetts



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The City Council Committee on Ordinances, Licenses and Legal Affairs co-posted with the Committee of the Whole

met in the Council Chamber on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

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

November 2, 2018 at 4:35 P.M.

(This meeting is being recorded)

ATTENDANCE

ABSENT WERE: Madore

SUBJECT(S)

#26 – Discussing the Ordinance relative to a Tree Commission and Warden, Public Tree Preservation, Protected Tree Preservation and References for public and protected trees (LORAX Ordinance (co-posted))

Solicitor Renard spoke to the changes that were made in the last meeting.

Councilor Dibble spoke to the legal ground and whether it was legal.

Councilor Milo asked if there was enough resources to enforce the ordinance.

Tree Warden Renard spoke to the issue relative to mass general logs

Councillor Fung asked about specific situations and how this ordinance would effect those

Councillor Sargent asked about page 11
Protected Trees section B.

Darken Melis from the Lorax Committee spoke to the ordinance.

Councillor Malone asked about indemnification.

Councillor Turel spoke to the issue of the Commission and strengthening the commission ~~and~~ without limiting them by a large ordinance.

Councillor Dominguez wants to move the ordinance as is.

Councillor Dibble agrees

Councillor Sargent proposes to remove private property sections

On the motion of C.

Dominguez

the meeting adjourned at

7:53

P.M.



(Chairperson)

Councilor Tinsel suggested dividing out the commissions from the regulations

Councilor M. Lo

Liz Budart spoke to the positive side of having a tree commission and getting grants

Darren Wells spoke to how little developable space and limited effect

Kurt Rieder spoke the issue and the need to keep it in tact.

Jeff Cohen. need to make Salem a resilient city.

Roby Wilbur spoke to the value of having a tree commission

Mark O'Donnell doesn't believe the ordinance is too big brotherish
Creates an awareness of the need for trees

Danielle Herishon spoke to the need to find positions and enact the ordinance.

Patricia Durbine spoke to the positive need for trees.

Sandy Rann spoke to climate change
Support the ordinance and educate

Barbra Hansen spoke to the issue and how there are methods to remove protected trees

Grami^o spoke to the appeal process

John Hayes- thanked the law committee believes the ordinance is well designed and supports it.

Councilor Sargent
moves that on page 14 Section 5
that the property owner be notified of
their ability to appeal or deny

Councilor Doniger seconds
5-D

Councilor Madore move that the strike language be adopted as mandated

Councilor Miller seconds.

5-D

Councilman Damore moves that large be included that highlights early on in the ordinance that the ordinance doesn't pretend to serve family two family or three family units.

Councilman Andrew Secord 5-0

Councilman Madore move that the City Solicitor prepare the ordinance where the administrative language is moved to the Director's duties and regulation to the true Commission Section

Councilman Damore 2 Secord's

Councilman Madore moves to send it to the full council with a positive recommendation as amended

Councilman Damore Secord's

