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Legislative Affairs & Election Committee
February 10, 2025

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Members present were Councilor Robert Van Campen, presiding, Councilors Michael Marchese, Stephanie Smith and Katy Rogers.

The Committee considered an Order offered by Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President: An Order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Karen Roebuck to the Library Board of Trustees for a term of three (3) years expiring January 31, 2028.

Appointee Karen Roebuck was also present.

Councilor Smith noted that the Committee was in receipt of the resume and found that the appointee has worked in the school system and was well qualified for this appointment.

The Committee voted: To report back to the City Council with a recommendation for Favorable action.

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Burley
Clerk of Committees

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#2- C0042-25

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The Committee considered an Order offered by Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President: An Order requesting the confirmation on the appointment of Joanne Johnson to the Library Board of Trustees for a term of three (3) years expiring January 31, 2028.

Appointee Karen Roebuck was also present.

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The Committee considered an Order offered by Councilor Stephanie Martins, as President: An Order requesting that the City Council vote; pursuant to MGL 268A, to designate the members of the Board of Assessors as special municipal employees.

City Solicitor Colleen Mejia was also present.

Communication from Mayor Carlo DeMaria stating that he was requesting this designation so that the City will have a qualified individual (Ron Keohan) acting as Interim Director of Assessing while the City seeks to fill the position with a permanent replacement.

Councilor Smith thanked the Mayors Chief of Staff Erin Deveney and City Solicitor Colleen Mejia for responding to her communications regarding the subject matter and asked Solicitor Mejia to inform the Committee on what she found out from the State. Solicitor Mejia explained that she had contacted the General Counsel at Attorney General office to determine if the Assessors position could be designated as a special municipal employee rather than the entire Board of Assessors as requested by members of the City Council and was informed that the designation would need to be provided to the entire Board. Solicitor Mejia assured the Committee that it was not the intent for others to assume City job offers and noted that the Order could be rescinded when a new Director hired. Chairman Van Campen asked if the City Council could put a time limit on the Order to avoid losing track of the Order and having it inadvertently becoming permanent and Solicitor Mejia explained that it would have to be an active vote to rescind.

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