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Framingham City Seal Development Committee

DATE: Monday, August 27, 2018 6:00 PM

**LOCATION: Blumer Room, Memorial Bldg., 150 Concord St.,
Framingham**

REQUESTED BY: Lisa Ferguson

ALL MEETING NOTICES AND AGENDAS MUST BE POSTED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING EXCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS. MONDAY MEETINGS MUST BE POSTED NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM ON THE PRECEDING THURSDAY. TUESDAY MEETINGS MUST BE POSTED NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM ON THE PRECEDING FRIDAY. IF MONDAY IS A HOLIDAY, TUESDAY MEETINGS MUST BE POSTED NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM ON THE PRECEDING THURSDAY.

LIST OF TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

- Meeting called to order.
- Introduction of City Seal Development Committee members and guests
- Nomination and election of Vice Chair and Clerk
- Approval of minutes from July 17, 2018
- Mission Statement
- Discussion of time line for seal development
- List key stakeholders
- Financial budget
- Discussion of seal design including examples of seals from other communities
- Plan for community input
- Old and New business
- Public Comment
- Adjournment of Meeting

Minutes of the Framingham Seal Development Committee Meeting on July 17, 2017
Blumer Room - Memorial Building

Members present (7): Valerie Mulvey (Chair), Alison Guzman, Rob Levine, Renan Pinheiro, Fred Wallace, and Joel Winnett

Members absent (1): Richard Finley

Guest: Lisa Ferguson, Susan Petroni

Documents distributed at the meeting

- Excerpt from the Charter regarding the Seal Committee - from Valerie
- Diagram of the original 1890 seal
- Diagram of the 1900 seal (current seal) with an explanation of 6 parts - from Fred
This showed how the seal represented significant pieces of Framingham's history.
- Description of characteristics of the seal that we should consider - from Councilor Cheryl Tully Stoll

Valerie called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Each member told why they wanted to be on the Seal Committee.

We decided to table the election of a vice-chair and clerk until the next meeting to allow the member to get to know each other.

Joel volunteered to be Clerk for the day.

Valerie mentioned that the members should be familiar with the Open Meeting Law and noted that a quorum of the member (4) should not discuss the issues.

We mentioned that the committee should address the following tasks at future meetings:

- List where the seal is currently used (legal documents, city vehicles, street signs, stationary)
- Prepare a handbook on guidance how the seal should be used.

Issues to consider in the seal:

- A completely new seal or modify the current seal
- various sizes for the seal
- the color of the seal
- electronic format
- a symbol in the seal to represent the diversity of Framingham
- Framingham's past, present and the future
- More than one seal

Procedures to consider:

- Hold a public hearing to solicit ideas from the community on how the seal should be designed (Possibly in October)
- Hold a public hearing to solicit ideas from the community on alternatives we propose for the seal

(Possible in April)

We should invite the City Solicitor to attend our next meeting to inform the committee on what is allowed and any legal requirements.

We should develop a schedule or timeline for various tasks.

We could solicit input from the community, especially from students. We might even run a contest to get ideas.

We should publicize our design in the media (MWDN), Facebook, and on the city website.

Tasks with volunteers:

- List key stakeholder who use the seal (City Council, City Clerk, Department heads) - Rob
- Get the seals from other communities – Allison
- Draft a mission statement for the committee – Rob and Allison

The next meetings will be on 8/27 and 9/17 at 6:00. Valerie will reserve the Blumer Room for these meetings.

At 6:43 motion to adjourn by Fred, Seconded by Rob, approved

Prepared by Joel Winett, clerk pro temp

shall be conducted under the supervision of the city solicitor, or by special counsel appointed for that express purpose.

- s) The provisions of Article V reorganizing or recognizing the various departments into divisions shall each take effect as to each such division upon the appointment by the mayor of the first person to serve as head of each such division. Pending the adoption of an ordinance providing such detail the head of each such division shall have the power to promulgate rules and regulations providing details of the organization of their division as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the departments within each division's jurisdiction.
- t) Unless continued by an ordinance adopted in accordance with the authority contained in clause (v) below in this section, the terms all members of multiple-member bodies, unless otherwise provided for by this charter, shall be abolished as of June 30, 2018 or when successors have been appointed, whichever is later.
- u) Notwithstanding any provision of this charter which might appear to the contrary it is recognized that it will not be possible for the first person elected as mayor to begin at once to exercise all of the powers, duties and responsibilities which are assigned to the office of the mayor. It is recognized that it is in the best interest of Framingham that such assumption be on a gradual basis as the mayor, council and other municipal officials are able to adopt ordinances and other regulations as are necessary to implement all of the provisions of the charter.
- v) The mayor may request, and council shall have authority to adopt, measures which clarify, confirm or extend any of the transitional provisions in order that such transition as described herein may be made in the most expeditious and least contentious manner possible.
- w) Framingham officials shall gradually transition from "Town of Framingham" to "City of Framingham" so as to minimize the fiscal impact. The mayor shall assess the fiscal and operational impacts of the change from "Town" to "City" and work with the city's divisions, departments, boards, and officers to implement this change, including, but not limited to, determining priorities, estimation of expected costs, and timeline. The Council shall create a committee chaired by the City Clerk to create and oversee a community-wide process to design a new seal or adapt the current seal for the City of Framingham by 2020. The current Town seal shall remain the official seal of Framingham until such time as the Council has approved a replacement.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

The mayor and council shall investigate the feasibility and efficacy of taking the following actions upon taking office; the list below is in no particular order or priority:

- a) Creating a redevelopment authority;
- b) Consolidating municipal dispatch functions among police, fire and public works;
- c) Commissioning a performance audit of all municipal functions;
- d) Designating all members of multiple-member bodies as special municipal employees in accordance with General Laws chapter 268A, section 1(n);
- e) Merging school and municipal finance, personnel and technology functions;

Framingham Seal Development Committee

Preliminary Mission Statement - v1 - August 8, 2018

Prepared by Rob Levine, Renan Pinheiro, and Alison Guzman

The mission of the Framingham City Seal Development Committee is to create a new city seal that represents the essence of Framingham. Through our research and exploration, together with the community, we will reflect on Framingham's past, present, and future. We will consider a multitude of positive Framingham attributes including but not limited to its diversity and culture, opportunity, sense of community, history and landmarks, industry and economy, education, and arts and recreation.

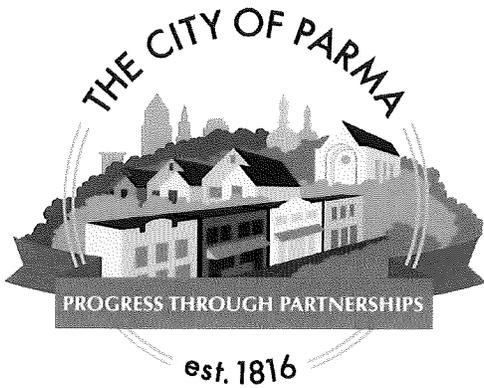
Town & City Seal Examples

Places Alison lived



Does not include dates

Includes state



Includes established date

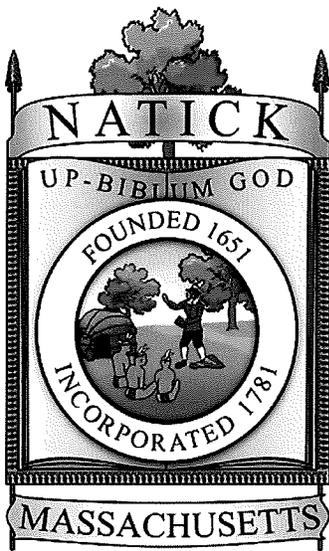
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Designed outside of circular shape



Does not include dates

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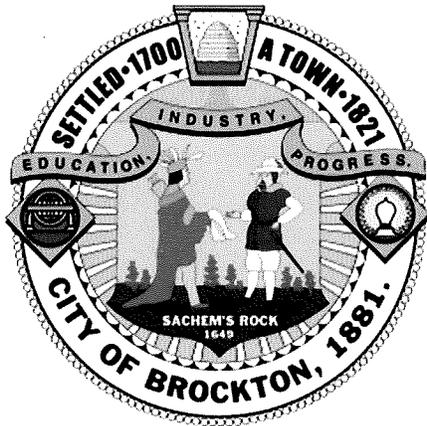
Includes founded & incorporated dates

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UP-BIBLUM GOD: Eliot Indian Bible

Designed outside of circular shape

Other seals from Massachusetts cities



Includes dates

Includes a motto, "EDUCATION. INDUSTRY. PROGRESS."



Includes dates

Simple design to represent "Heart of the Commonwealth"

