Docket Tracking Votes Overview

When going into docket tracking, and you go into the docket info, you will notice there is a "Vote" tab for each meeting relating to the item. The Clerks office is currently working with the IT department to make updates on how the votes show, which will be updated in the near future. Currently, the votes will appear in different ways depending on how councilors voted on the item. Here is an example below of how the votes might show up.

Meeting Action	Vote*	Amended Motion	Reconsideration	Reconsideration Vote*	Meeting Minutes	Support Docs
Held	6-1-1					
Approved	4-2-1-1					
			Vote Order: [Yes - No	o - Abstain - Absent - Recused - Not	Voting] Reconsideration	Vote: [Passed - Hold]

Notice the "Vote Order" in bold on the bottom of the chart. This is the order of types of votes that will show up in the system when entered. If any type of vote is 0, then that vote will not show in the vote total.

In the first example above... 6 councilors voted in favor of hold, 1 councilor was absent, and one councilor was not voting. 0 councilors voted no so that did not show in the vote total

In the second example above... 4 councilors voted in favor of approval, 2 councilors voted no, 1 councilor was absent and one councilor abstained.

Meeting Motion	Meeting Action	Vote*	Amended Motion	Reconsideration	Reconsideration Vote*
Motion to Approve	Approved	7-1			
			Vote Order:	Yes - No - Abstain - A	bsent - Recused - Not Voting)

In the example above, seven councilors voted in favor of approval, and 1 councilor did not vote.

The Clerks office is working with IT to change how the vote shows so it is easier to read how a committee/council voted on an item. As we continue working on this, we suggest you click the link for each of the votes, and this will accurately depict the specific votes each councilor had for this item at this specific meeting. Here is an example below.

		- City Council, City of Newton, MA								
Committee Meeting Vote										
Docket Number	Committee	Name	Vote	Date						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Susan Albright	Yes	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	R. Lisle Baker	Yes	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Maria Scibelli Greenberg	Yes	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Bill Humphrey	Yes	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Joshua Krintzman	Yes	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Brenda Noel	Abstain	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Holly Ryan	No	2023-06-21						
#155-23(2)	Programs & Services	Pamela Wright	Yes	2023-06-21						