

Malden, Massachusetts

Date: September 10, 2026

His Honor the Mayor has approved Paper 326 Series of 2026

Below is a true attest copy of same:

Be it ordained by the Malden City Council that the Code of the City of Malden (MCC) 12.32.060 DEFINITIONS - ZONING is hereby amended by striking the definitions for Medical Center and Licensed Massage Therapy Salon in their entirety and inserting the following:

Medical Center: An entity, however organized, providing medical, surgical, dental, physical rehabilitation, mental health services, acupuncture or medical aesthetics and cosmetic treatments and injections including, but not limited to testing, diagnosis, and/or for treatment of persons or animals, with or without a medical doctor on the premises, on an outpatient basis, not including provisions for overnight stays. Examples of services that a medical center may provide include, but are not limited to: blood draw; counseling; dental; dialysis; prenatal and post-natal care; swab-testing and related laboratory services; urinalysis; vaccinations; Botox injections and dermal fillers; IV wellness therapy, acupuncture. Medical centers are various types of healthcare facilities, including, but not limited to, the office of an individual practitioner, clinics and group practices; however, "Substance Abuse Treatment Center" and "Hospital" are specifically excluded from this definition. Medical Centers that are physically located within/part of institutions or entities, such as hospitals, schools or pharmacies, shall be considered accessory to the principal use. A special permit issued to a Medical Center is non-transferable and non-assignable. "Licensed Massage Therapy Salon", "Medical Marijuana Treatment Center" and "Adult Day Health Center" are specifically excluded from this definition

Licensed Massage Therapy Salon: A place, office, clinic or establishment licensed by the state Board of Health to offer massage services. "Massage" means but is not limited to, the systematic treatment of the soft tissues of the body by use of pressure, friction, stroking, percussion, kneading, vibration by manual or mechanical means, range of motion for purposes of demonstrating muscle excursion or muscle flexibility and nonspecific stretching. Massage therapy may include the use of oil, ice, hot and cold packs, tub, shower, steam, dry heat or cabinet baths, in which the primary intent is to enhance or restore the health and well-being of the client. Massage therapy shall not include diagnoses, the prescribing of drugs or medicines, spinal or other joint manipulations or any services or procedures for which a license to practice medicine, chiropractic, occupational therapy, physical therapy, acupuncture or podiatry is required by law. "Massage therapist" or "Massage practitioner", a person licensed by the State Board of Health who instructs or administers massage or massage therapy for compensation. "Adult Day Health Center" is specifically excluded from this definition.

Sponsored by Ari Taylor, Stephen Winslow

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Ordained, by the City Council, by ten (10) yea and zero (0) nay votes, the City Council consisting of eleven members at their September 8, 2026 meeting.

Approved, September 14, 2026 by His Honor, Mayor Gary J. Christenson

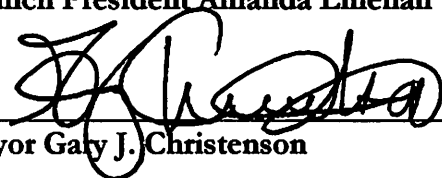
Attest:



City Clerk Carol Ann T. Desiderio



Council President Amanda Linehan



Mayor Gary J. Christenson