# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

2015 Minutes of the Board of Aldermen

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# CITY OF SOMERVILLE CITY GOVERNMENT 2015

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# **STANDING COMMITTEES** (*Chair listed first*, vice chair second):

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS: *Maryann Heuston*, Robert McWatters, Dennis Sullivan, Mary Jo Rossetti, Rebekah Gewirtz

FINANCE: Tony Lafuente, Maryann Heuston, Katjana Ballantyne, John Connolly, William White

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Mark Niedergang, Tony Lafuente, Katjana Ballantyne

LAND USE: Dennis Sullivan, Mark Niedergang, William White

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: *Mary Jo Rossetti*, Mark Niedergang, Katjana Ballantyne, Matthew McLaughlin, William White

LICENSES AND PERMITS: Dennis Sullivan, Maryann Heuston, John Connolly

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY: John Connolly, Mary Jo Rossetti, Mark Niedergang

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS: Robert McWatters, Tony Lafuente, Matthew McLaughlin

SENIOR SERVICES: John Connolly, Dennis Sullivan, William White

TRAFFIC AND PARKING: Robert McWatters, Rebekah Gewirtz, Tony Lafuente

VETERANS AND PUBLIC SERVICES: Matthew McLaughlin, John Connolly, Dennis Sullivan

YOUTH SERVICES: Matthew McLaughlin, Mary Jo Rossetti, Katjana Ballantyne

# **SPECIAL COMMITTEES** (*Chair listed first*, vice chair second):

FLOOD FORUM (SPECIAL): Maryann Heuston, Mark Niedergang, Robert McWatters

OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY (SPECIAL): Katjana Ballantyne, Robert McWatters, Rebekah Gewirtz

RODENT ISSUES (SPECIAL): Maryann Heuston, Matthew McLaughlin, John Connolly

RULES (SPECIAL): William White, Rebekah Gewirtz, Mary Jo Rossetti

#### **COMMISSIONS:**

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST: Mark Niedergang BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Mark Niedergang

MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION: Katjana Ballantyne, Matthew McLaughlin

SOMERPROMISE ADVISORY BOARD: Mary Jo Rossetti

TRAFFIC COMMISSION: Robert McWatters

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# **STANDING COMMITTEES** (*Chair listed first*, vice chair second):

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND INSTRUCTION: Laura Pitone, Christine Rafal, Paul Bockelman

FINANCE AND FACILITIES: Carrie Normand, Dan Futrell, Steven Roix

RULES MANAGEMENT: Steven Roix, Christine Rafal, Laura Pitone

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR LONG RANGE PLANNING: *Adam Sweeting*, Carrie Normand, entire School Committee

SHORE COLLABORATIVE REPRESENTATIVE: Paul Bockelman

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**

January 5, 2015, 6:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers \*\*\*\*\*\*

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Alderman At Large John M. Connolly

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198303 (ID:10864) Call of the Roll.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

2. Election 198304

By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:10865)

Election of a President: Motion, That Alderman William A. White, Jr., be

elected President of this Board for 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

3. Election 198305

(ID:10866)

By Ald. Gewirtz

Election of a Vice President: Motion, That Alderman Katjana Ballantyne be elected Vice President of this Board for 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

# RECESS FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order By Ald. Niedergang

198306 That this Board adopts for 2015 the Rules of the Board as approved on

(ID:10867) November 13, 2014.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Order By Ald. Sullivan

198307 That this Board revives all business pending before this Board or its

(ID:10868) Committees at the end of 2014 and recommits the revived items back to this

Board or its proper Committees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Order By Ald. Lafuente

198308 That this Board directs that the bonds of the City Treasurer be hereby accepted

(ID:10869) and approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198309 That this Board authorizes the City Treasurer to appoint Deputy Tax

(ID:10870) Collectors.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

# **NEW BUSINESS**

8. Election 198310 (ID:10871) Drawing of Seats.

# RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Seat Assignments:

- 1. Matthew McLaughlin
- 2. Mark Niedergang
- 3. Tony Lafuente
- 4. Maryann M. Heuston
- 5. Robert J. McWatters
- 6. John M. Connolly
- 7. Mary Jo Rossetti
- 8. Rebekah L. Gewirtz
- 9. Dennis M. Sullivan
- 10. Katjana Ballantyne
- 11. William A. White Jr.

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

# **LATE ITEMS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

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# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198311 (ID:10903) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Russ Joyner, Tom Burbridge, and Paul Bain. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Betty Medeiros and Vinny D'Abagnino. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Thomas Bullen, James Mello, Theresa Gorman, and Tom Brockway. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Bob King. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Emma DiMasi. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Michael Frasier.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198312 (ID:10902) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, November 25, 2014.

## **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198313

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

Commending Anthony Stroscio, who has retired after 21 years of dedicated

(ID:10904) service to the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Resolution 198314 (ID:10891)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Supporting the work of the Somerville Police Department.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

5. Order 198315 (ID:10892) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lamps at the locations described within.

Alderman Connolly reported that after complaints of lights being out throughout the city, he would like to discuss the contract with the company hired to take care of this problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

6. Order 198316 (ID:10893) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the ash trees on Chapel Street, and citywide, if necessary, be treated to prevent the infestation of the

Emerald Ash Borer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

7. Order 198317 (ID:10889) By Ald. Rossetti

That the attached Boston Globe article re: student housing be referred to the Committee on Legislative Matters.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Order 198318 (ID:10890) By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston, Niedergang, Lafuente, Ballantyne That this Board discuss an amendment to the Snow Ordinance as it relates to

the time frame for clearing sidewalks following a storm.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

9. Order 198319 (ID:10899) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr.

That this Board conduct a public hearing on the new snow removal regulations to solicit feedback and suggestions from the public.

Alderman Rossetti discussed the current time frame for shoveling being too narrow, and how it impacts working families. Alderman Heuston spoke about adjusting residential and commercial fine levels.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

10. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198320 (ID:10894) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at the locations described within.

RESULT: APPROVED

11. Order 198321 (ID:10895) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole between 108 and 112 Porter Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 198322

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light on the

(ID:10896) Community Path near Cedar Street, next to the temporary construction trailer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 198323

(ID:10897)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board where homeowners should discharge water pumped out of basements that are flooded in the winter, to avoid water freezing on sidewalks.

Alderman Niedergang mentioned that it is illegal to pump the water out of the basement and into the streets or sewer. He would like to find a proper solution to this problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

14. Order 198324

(ID:10898)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the possibility of putting a community garden and/or a dog park in the eastern part of Junction Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

15. Mayor's Request 198325 (ID:10863) Requesting authorization to borrow \$325,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for design and engineering services associated with Lincoln Park and the Argenziano School Fields

Alderman Lafluente requested to waive the readings of items 15 through 19, referring items 15 through 18 to the Finance Committee, and placing item 19 on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

16. Mayor's Request 198326 (ID:10888) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$8,400 from the Department of Environmental Protection for recycling.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

17. Mayor's Request 198327 (ID:10878) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$7,423 From the MA Department of Fire Services, for the Fire Department's school education program.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

18. Mayor's Request 198328 (ID:10879) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,395 from the MA Department of Fire Services for the Fire Department's Senior SAFE program.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

19. Officer's Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 12/11/14.

198329 (ID:10877)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

# **NEW BUSINESS**

20. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Boston Burger, 37 Davis Sq.

198330 (ID:10905)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 20 through 28, referring item 27 to Committee and approving the rest. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

21. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Maya Sol Mexican Grill, 179 Broadway.

198331 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10906)

198332		Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Gauchao Brazilian Cuisine, 102 Broadway.			
	(ID:10907)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
23. License/Permit		Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Ola Gifts Cafe, 112 Broadway.			
	198333 (ID:10908)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
24.	License/Permit 198334	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, True Grounds, 717 Broadway.		
	(ID:10909)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
25.	198335	Renewing Used Ca St.	ar Dealers License Class 2, Auto Brokers, 182 Washington		
	(ID:10910)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
26.		Renewing Used Ca	ar Dealers License Class 2, James Kiley Co., 15 Linwood St.		
	198336 (ID:10911)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
27.	License/Permit	Renewing Used Ca	ar Dealers License Class 2, Pearl St Auto, 182 Pearl St.		
	198337 (ID:10912)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee		
28.	License/Permit 198338	Renewing Garage Hwy.	License, Inman Motors Sales of Somerville, 463 McGrath		
	(ID:10913)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
29.		New Garage Licen	se, Car Zone, 486 Columbia St., 3 cars inside, 3 outside.		
	and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee. opposition, the motion was approved.		notion was approved.  REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
		FOLLOWUP:	Licenses and Permits Committee		
30.	License/Permit 198340	New Garage Licenoutside.	se, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 19 Joy St., 22 cars inside, 20		
	(ID:10915)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee		

31. 198341

License/Permit New Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St., 25 cars inside.

(ID:10914)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

32. 198342 (ID:10916)

License/Permit New Outdoor Parking License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St., 63 cars.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

33.

License/Permit New Livery License, Mass Cab, 45 Endicott Ave., 1 vehicle.

198343 (ID:10918)

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

34. Ordinance By Ald. White Jr.

**RESULT:** 

198344 (ID:10920) Re-introducing for approval the Pay to Play Ordinance (#197438) as ordained by this Board on  $9/1\overline{1/14}$ .

Alderman White suggested making a new pay to play ordinance stricter than the previous Ordinance was.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

35. Mayor's Request 198345 (ID:10901) Requesting approval to extend a House Doctor Contract (#120170R2) with CDR Maguire until July 31, 2015.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 198346 (ID:10921) Requesting the confirmation of Ed Bean as Finance Director.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 40 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

37. Mayor's Request 198347 (ID:10922) Requesting the confirmation of Peter Forcellese Jr. as Treasurer/Collector of Taxes.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

38. Mayor's Request 198348 (ID:10925) Requesting the confirmation of Angela Allen as Purchasing Agent.

39. Mayor's

40.

Request 198349

Requesting the confirmation of Frank Wright as City Solicitor.

(ID:10926)

Mayor's

Request 198350 (ID:10927) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

Requesting the confirmation of Stanley Koty as Commissioner of Public Works.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

## **LATE ITEMS**

41. Order

198351 (ID:10933) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the street light at Harvard and Monmouth Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

42. Order

198352 (ID:10928) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lamp in front of 58 Dartmouth Street. (2nd Request)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

43. Order 198353 By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:10931)

That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with this Board's Committee on Energy and Environment to discuss the use of salt and salt substitutes during the winter.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP: Environment and Energy Special Committee** 

44. Order 198354 (ID:10930) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the cost break down of last week's snow removal and de-icing and discuss the procedures for determining when to initiate snow removal and de-icing.

**APPROVED RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Order 198355 (ID:10932) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer inform the Ward 2 Alderman about flooding on Oak Street and any steps that can be taken to mitigate it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee 46. Mayor's Request 198356 (ID:10923) Requesting an appropriation of \$165,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the School Dept. Curriculum District-Wide Other Instructional Services Account to provide partial funding for the development of an Integrated Data System.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

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Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 198357 (ID:10965) Call of the Roll.

The Board held a moment of silence for Jim McCarthy. President White held a moment of silence for Jonathan Squire.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198358 (ID:10966) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, December 11, 2014.

RESULT: APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198359 (ID:10968) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Carrie Dancy, who is leaving East Somerville Main Streets after 8 years as its first and only Executive Director.

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about the excellent work of Carrie Dancy. Mayor Curtatone discussed Carrie's leadership in the Community and thanked her for her dedication. Carrie expressed her gratitude.

4. Citation 198360 (ID:10969) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Auxiliary Police Sgt. Sergio Costa, whose quick thinking prevented a potentially life-threatening situation while on duty at the Jingle Bells Road Race on 12/14/14.

Alderman Connolly read the Police Report from the incident. He spoke about the Auxiliary Police Department, and Sgt. Costa's dedication to assist with this incident. Chief Fallon spoke about the value of the Auxiliary. Mayor Curtatone also complimented Sgt. Costa and the Auxiliary for their work. Sgt. Costa thanked the Board, along with members of the Auxiliary and the Police Department for their dedication.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 198361 (ID:10977) Submitted by NStar Electric, which seeks to install 15 feet of conduit from an existing manhole to a point of pickup at 82 Highland Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy, representing NSTAR Electric, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. Withdrawn 198362 (ID:10978) Withdrawn.

## RESULT: WITHDRAWN

7. Grant of Location 198363 (ID:10976) Submitted by Comcast, which seeks to install 40 feet of conduit from an existing manhole to a point of pickup at 15 Linwood St.

The President opened the public hearing. Bill Lawson, representing Comcast, spoke about the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 198364 (ID:10972) Submitted by the MBTA, which seeks to construct 2 new catch basins, a new manhole, and 76 feet of pipe in the north end of Horace Street as part of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Joe Maliawco, representing Kleinfelder and the MBTA, spoke about the details of this project and answered questions from Alderman Heuston and resident Joe Ash about the purpose of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

9. Grant of Location 198365 (ID:10973) Submitted by the MBTA, which seeks to construct 6 new catch basins, 4 new manholes, 370 feet of drainage pipe, 40 feet of sewer line, and 50 feet of water line in Washington Street as part of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Joe Maliawco, representing Kleinfelder and the MBTA, spoke about the details of this project. Matthew Malelli stated that the work will alleviate flooding in the area, and explained how they will bring the water into the corridor for proper drainage. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Grant of Location 198366 (ID:10974) Submitted by the MBTA, which seeks to construct 1 new catch basin, 2 new manholes, 10 feet of drainage pipe, 55 feet of sewer line, and 280 feet of water line in Bennett Street as part of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Joe Maliawco, representing Kleinfelder and the MBTA, spoke about the details of this project. Alderman Heuston stated that Traffic and Parking should provide a traffic plan for all of the work to be completed, and requested this plan to be sent to the Board. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Grant of Location 198367 (ID:10975) Submitted by the MBTA, which seeks to construct 50 feet of drainage pipe, 55 feet of sewer line and 30 feet of water line in Inner Belt Road as part of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Joe Maliawco, representing Kleinfelder and the MBTA, spoke about the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

12. Resolution 198368 (ID:10934) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Supporting the effort and professionalism of the Police Department.

Alderman Connolly discussed the hard work of the Police Department and thanked them for their dedicated work. Mayor Curtatone also thanked them. Chief Fallon thanked the Mayor and the Board for making Somerville an active community and having citizens actively engaged.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. Order 198369 (ID:10935) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Chief of Police inspect the garage at 56 Bonair Street for all applicable permits and to ensure that the business is operating at reasonable hours.

**APPROVED** 

14. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198370 (ID:10936)

That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility company to raise the low hanging wires at 13 Melvin Street and at the corner of Mt. Vernon and Washington Streets.

Order 15.

By Ald. McLaughlin

198371 (ID:10937) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the raised sidewalk at 13

Melvin Street.

**RESULT:** 

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

16. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198372 (ID:10938) That the Commissioner of Public Works communicate with the residents of 11 Melvin Street regarding the tree on their sidewalk and how to best mitigate pest issues.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

17. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198373 (ID:10939)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the 33 Franklin Street area for signs of rodent activity, and bait where needed.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Rodent Issues Special Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

18. Order 198374 By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:10940)

That the Director of SPCD communicate with the appropriate state agency to address the rodent issues on, and the underutilization of, the land behind 11 Austin Street and I-93.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to have the area cleaned up and have better use made of it.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

19. Order 198375 By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:10941)

That the City Engineer work with the appropriate state agency to develop and implement a plan to address the flooding underneath the railroad bridge on Washington Street.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN 20. Resolution 198376 (ID:10946) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration consider employing a Substance Abuse Coordinator to assist our city's families.

Alderman Rossetti spoke about this issue, and what the families are dealing with. She also explained a possible new hire in the Police Department to work on this problem. Alderman McLaughlin discussed different services offered and the need to have better connections between services and those in need. Alderman Niedergang stated that outreach is needed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

21. Order 198377 (ID:10947)

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD arrange for Parsons Brinckerhoff to present to this Board the results and recommendations of the Union Square Streetscape and Infrastructure Study, including any imminent changes to Union Square's traffic and streetscape.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 198378 (ID:10948) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) arrange with the Ward 2 Alderman a ward meeting on the proposed Zoning Ordinance, to foster a more detailed understanding of its impact.

Alderman Heuston spoke about the importance of each Ward having their own meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Order 198379 (ID:10949) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

That the Director of SPCD (Planning), in conjunction with US2, arrange for Union Square visioning sessions specifically aimed at children and young adults to gain their perspective and ideas.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Order 198380 (ID:10950) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on College Avenue from Highland Avenue to the Powderhouse Rotary and on Winslow Avenue from Clifton Street to Grove Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order 198381 (ID:10951) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works note the lack of repairs to the city's streetlamps, as previously noted at this Board's last meeting, and attend the next meeting of the this Board's Public Utilities and Works Committee with the streetlamp maintenance vendor.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

26. Order 198382 (ID:10952) By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Gewirtz

That the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the street crossing at Cutter Avenue and Summer Street and take all steps needed to ensure that motorists stop for pedestrians attempting to cross there.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 198383 (ID:10953) By Ald. Connolly, McWatters

That the Director of SPCD dispatch the NIT team to inspect 135 Lowell Street for building, health and/or zoning code violations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

28. Order 198384 (ID:10954) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole by the metal cap on the west side of Porter Street at Highland Avenue.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order 198385 (ID:10955) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the broken speed indicator signs on the approaches to the Lowell Street Bridge.

## RESULT: WITHDRAWN

30. Order 198386 (ID:10956) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works update the Ward 5 Alderman on repairs to prevent pedestrians from tripping in the crosswalks at Linden Avenue on the south side of Summer Street, Aberdeen Road by Highland Avenue, and Hall Street by Cherry Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

31. Order 198387 (ID:10957) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) schedule with the Ward 5 Alderman a follow-up community meeting to report on safety improvements planned for the Lowell Street Bridge area.

Alderman Niedergang stated the bike path extension will occur in the spring, and the safety concerns still need to be addressed.

32. Order 198388

(ID:10958)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD discuss with this Board the possibility of a curbside gardens program, similar to what other cities have done, to soak up storm water and ground water runoff.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

33. Order 198389 (ID:10959) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) ensure that the contractors working at 22-24 Hamlet Street start no sooner than 8 AM Monday through Saturday, per the agreement with neighbors and the developer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Order 198390 (ID:10960) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill in the potholes on the corner of Silvey Place and Craigie Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

35. Order 198391 (ID:10961) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the street sign on Craigie Street at the junction of Summer Street.

## RESULT: WITHDRAWN

36. Order 198392 (ID:10962) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove or repair the fire alarm pole which was partially removed at the corner of Holland and Gorham Streets, as it poses a tripping hazard to pedestrians.

#### RESULT: APPROVED

37. Order 198393 (ID:10963) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring an institutional master plan for any institution in Somerville.

Alderman Ballantyne explained that this plan is typically for large non-profits and would require what their future plans are. She added that recently Tufts University requested to purchase an apartment building for student housing, which she opposes. Alderman Niedergang agreed that Tufts should not purchase the building, and should build new housing instead. Mayor Curtatone agreed in not supporting this purchase. He added that he has heard that this purchase will not go forward.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

38. Order 198394 (ID:10964) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Clerk invite Tufts University to appear before this Board to explain their recent decision to purchase Somerville housing stock and explain their plan to expand their campus into Somerville neighborhoods.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

39.	CONFIRMATION	I OF APPOINTM	IENTS C	'OMMITTEE
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Committee A. Report 198395 (ID:10945)

Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on January 22, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about approved appointments and also mentioned that future constables should be residents of the City.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Request 197935 (ID:10496) Requesting the appointment of Dev Foster to the Human Rights Commission.

Women.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

C. Mayor's Request 197936 (ID:10498) Requesting the appointment of Sarah Cash to the Multicultural Affairs Commission.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

D. Mayor's Request 197937 (ID:10501) Requesting the appointment of Luc Junior Buissereth to the Multicultural Affairs Commission.

Requesting the appointment of Jenn Fitzpatrick to the Commission for

E. Mayor's Request 197938

(ID:10500)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

F. Mayor's Request 198164 (ID:10724) Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Shawn Brady as a special police officer for 2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

G. Mayor's Request 198165 (ID:10725) Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Sean Browne as a special police officer for 2015.

H. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Jose Colon as a Request special police officer for 2015. 198166 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:10726) I. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Harold Curtis Request Jr. as a special police officer for 2015. 198167 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10727) J. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee George Request D'Amelio III as a special police officer for 2015. 198168 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10728) K. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Michael Request deBethencourt as a special police officer for 2015. 198169 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10729) L. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Michael Eastman as a special police officer for 2015. Request 198170 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10730) M. Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee James Lawson Mayor's Request as a special police officer for 2015. 198171 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10731) N. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Wayne Gabaree as a special police officer for 2015. Request 198172 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:10732) O. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Housing Authority employee Robert Request Hartsgrove as a special police officer for 2015. 198173 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:10733) P. Mayor's Requesting the reappointment of Ezra Glenn to the Community Preservation Request Committee. 198241 RESULT: APPROVED (ID:10752)

**APPROVED** 

Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** 

Requesting the reappointment of Courtney Koslow to the Community

Q.

Mayor's

Request 198242

(ID:10754)

R. Mayor's Request 198246 (ID:10829) Requesting the re-appointment of Nathaniel Greene as Constable.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

S. Mayor's Request 198291 (ID:10850)

Requesting the appointment of Rebecca Lyn Cooper to the Planning Board.

RESULT: APPROVED

## 40. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198396 (ID:10943) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on January 14, 2015.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated that certain employee salaries have been adjusted to help recruit new hires.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198001 (ID:10483) Requesting the acceptance of a \$3,000 grant from the Somerville Health Foundation, for the Council on Aging's "fit for life" program at the Cross Street Center.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 198229 (ID:10723) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$300,000 in a bond to retain an Owner's Project Manager to renovate the West Branch Library.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Gewirtz

D. Mayor's Request 198230 (ID:10797) Requesting to transfer CPA funds totalling \$2,278,717 from the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve and the CPA Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to designated CPA reserves per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 198231 (ID:10779) Requesting appropriation of \$63,913 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Shared Public Safety CAD System.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Gewirtz

F. Mayor's Request 198236 (ID:10755) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$7,316 from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services for the Council on Aging for activities at the 3 senior centers.

G. Mayor's Request 198237 (ID:10756) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,828 from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging for transportation.

## RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 198238 (ID:10757) Requesting acceptance of a \$5,000 grant from CHNA 17, for the Health & Human Services Dept.'s SCAP Coalition to address prevention of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs among Somerville youth.

#### RESULT: APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 198283 (ID:10798) Requesting to appropriate \$2,206,028 from the CPA Fund Community Housing Reserve to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

J. Mayor's Request 198284 (ID:10799) Requesting to appropriate \$12,115 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Fund Balance for the administrative and operating expenses of the Community Preservation Committee per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 198287 (ID:10847) Requesting \$7,845 in "Use of Available Funds" from the Library Salaries Account to adjust the compensation of the Library Director.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 198288 (ID:10848) Requesting \$5,424 in "Use of Available Funds" in the Health and Human Services Salaries Account to adjust the salary of the Health and Human Services Director.

## RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 198289 (ID:10845) Requesting \$3,186 in "Use of Available Funds" from the DPW Engineering Salaries Water Enterprise and Sewer Enterprise Salaries Accounts to adjust the compensation for the Director of Engineering.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 198290 (ID:10846) Requesting \$2,842 in "Use of Available Funds" from the DPW Engineering Salaries, Water Enterprise Salaries, and Sewer Enterprise Salaries Accounts to adjust the salary of the Assistant Director of Engineering.

O. Mayor's Request 198327 (ID:10878) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$7,423 From the MA Department of Fire Services, for the Fire Department's school education program.

RESULT: APPROVED

P. Mayor's Request 198328 (ID:10879) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,395 from the MA Department of Fire Services for the Fire Department's Senior SAFE program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Q. Mayor's Request 198345 (ID:10901) Requesting approval to extend a House Doctor Contract (#120170R2) with CDR Maguire until July 31, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

R. Mayor's Request 198356 (ID:10923) Requesting an appropriation of \$165,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the School Dept. Curriculum District-Wide Other Instructional Services Account to provide partial funding for the development of an Integrated Data System.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 41. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198397 (ID:10944) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on January 15, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the matter on regulating University accountability and the updates that have been made to this ordinance. She also spoke about the snow ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Ordinance 197473 (ID:10099) By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne, Rossetti, Sullivan, and the Entire Board Proposing an amendment to the City's Ordinances to regulate University Accountability.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

See #198419 for Enrollment and Ordainment of the revised University Accountability Ordinance.

C. Order 197706 (ID:10259) By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report to the Flood Forum Special Committee on the enforcement of Ordinances 11-33 and 11-145 regarding increasing pervious surfaces.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

D. Order 198398

(ID:11000)

By Ald. White Jr.

That this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters review the current pervious surfaces ordinances for their effectiveness and sufficiency.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

42. Mayor's Requesting to Communication and planning. 198399

(ID:10981)

Requesting to appear before this Board to discuss the City's economic outlook and planning.

Mayor Curtatone discussed financial forecasting and planning. He spoke about the city's high bond ratings and how investors believe in the city, reducing the burden on residential tax payers. He went into detail about infrastructure investments, and surplus/gap projections for the next 10 years. He discussed Assembly Square and reported on updates there. He explained the importance of a plan for capital investment. He talked about the High School and the Central Broadway Project. He questioned how all development should be paid for, and explained available options. Alderman Neidergang requested a 10 year Capital Plan, and said there are large items that are not included in the current Capital Plan. Mayor Curtatone stated they are working on a ten year plan, and stated he will provide the Board with it. Alderman Heuston spoke about financing tools, in particular District Improvement Financing and I-cubed funding. Finance Director Ed Bean talked about preparations being made for the FY16 budget. Alderman Lafuente asked about previous financial projections and how close they were to the final numbers. The Mayor will report those findings to the Board.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 198400 (ID:10900) Requesting the expenditure of \$2,057.31 in FY15 appropriations to pay four outstanding FY14 invoices in the Police Dept.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 43 and 44 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

44. Mayor's Request 198401 (ID:10967) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,999 from the National Endowment for the Humanities, for the City Clerk's assessment and preservation of certain historic records.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 198402 (ID:10881) Requesting the appointment of Paul Savage to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 45 through 50 and item 61, and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

46. Mayor's Request 198403 (ID:10882) Requesting the appointment of Douglas Henry to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

47. Mayor's Request 198404 (ID:10884) Requesting the appointment of Ryan Layton to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

48. Mayor's Request 198405 (ID:10885) Requesting the appointment of Robert Whelan to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

49. Mayor's Request 198406 (ID:10886) Requesting the appointment of Joseph Laudano to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

50. Mayor's Request 198407 (ID:10887) Requesting the appointment of Hallam Massiah to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

## **NEW BUSINESS**

51. License/Permit 198408 (ID:10970)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, John's Auto Sales, 181 Somerville Ave.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 51 and 52 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

52. License/Permit

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dave's Fresh Pasta, 79 Holland St.

198409 (ID:10971)

RESULT: APPROVED

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

53. Resolution 198410 (ID:10983) By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, Rossetti, Sullivan, Gewirtz, Niedergang, McWatters, Lafuente, Ballantyne

That this Board strongly urges Federal Realty Investment Trust to employ union labor for all aspects of construction at Assembly Square and to give preference to qualified Somerville residents when hiring for all construction work at Assembly Square.

Alderman White discussed the importance of union labor at Assembly Square. Resident Rand Wilson was sponsored and spoke about the developer at Assembly Square not committing to union labor. He explained that local people should have job and apprentice opportunities, and union labor is the best way to do this. Aldermen McLaughlin, Niedergang, Rossetti, Lafuente, Heuston, McWatters, and Ballantyne also expressed their support.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

54. Order 198411 (ID:10984) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide each ward alderman with an analysis of the impact of the proposed zoning code on their ward and then work with them on a public meeting in each ward to review and discuss those changes.

See item 22.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

55. Order 198412 (ID:10985) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking provide this Board with a breakdown of registered vehicles and residential parking permits in the city over the last 10 years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

56. Order 198413 (ID:10986) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti

That the City Solicitor advise this Board whether the zoning code can restrict the issuance of residential parking permits for residents of those developments where less than 1 parking space per unit is required in the zoning code.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

57. Mayor's Request 198414 (ID:10991) Requesting approval of an Administrative Code pursuant to the City Charter.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

58. Mayor's Request 198415 (ID:10929) Requesting approval of an intradepartmental transfer of \$17,500 in the Health and Human Services Dept., from the Personal Services Account to the Professional and Technical Services Account, to cover Shape Up Somerville's contract with the Head to Fitness Program Coordinator through FY15.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 58 through 60 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

59. Mayor's Request 198416 (ID:10990) Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$110,000 from the MA Government Innovation Office partially funding a longitudinal integrated data system for the Public Schools in concert with SomerPromise and Code for America.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

60. Mayor's Request 198417 (ID:10989) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$20,000 from DCR for the Arts Council to complete a sculpture project for Baxter Park.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

61. Mayor's Request 198418 (ID:10883) Requesting the appointment of Sean Layton to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

62. Officer's Request 198419 (ID:10979) Assistant City Solicitor Submitting an updated University Accountability Ordinance as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 1/15/15.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Gewirtz See #197473 for the history of this item.

63. Officer's
Communication
198420
(ID:10987)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/8/15.

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the readings of items 63 through 66, place them on file, and refer them to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

64. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14.

Communication 198421 (ID:10854)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

65. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 11/25/14.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14

198422 (ID:10876)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

66. Public

Senator Jehlen responding to #198182 re: the senior property tax deferral.

Communication 198423 (ID:10988)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

## LATE ITEMS

67. Mayor's Request 198325 (ID:10863) Requesting authorization to borrow \$325,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for design and engineering services associated with Lincoln Park and the Argenziano School Fields

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

Mr. Bean spoke about the redevelopment planning for this park. Alderman Rossetti spoke about the city's eagerness to start work on the renovations.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Gewirtz

68. Order 198424 (ID:10993) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Sullivan, Rossetti, Niedergang, Ballantyne, White Jr., Lafuente, Connolly, McLaughlin

That the Director of Purchasing and the Director of Capital Projects inform this Board about the faulty bid submissions for a new modular structure to house Engine 3, and a plan for fast tracking such a structure, and that the Chief Fire Engineer inform this Board about current fire protection in the Union Square area.

Alderman Heuston explained the history of Engine 3 and how the the firefighters should have a pleasant environment-which hasn't been the case for 16 years. All members of the Board support the development of a new structure, saying the situation is getting worse and needs to be addressed immediately. Firefighter Union President Tom Ross was sponsored and stated this project has been delayed for years, has to be completed with a permanent solution, as minutes and seconds matter in an emergency, and Engine 3 should be located in the area it serves, Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

69. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

198425 Communicating notice of a community meeting regarding airplane noise in

(ID:10992) Belmont on January 28.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

70. Order By Ald. Rossetti, Gewirtz

That the Chief of Police monitor the speed of traffic on Dover Street, towards

(ID:10994) Mass Avenue, Cambridge.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

71. Order By Ald. Heuston

198427 That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a temporary speed bump on

(ID:10998) Newton Street near Joseph Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

72. Order By Ald. McWatters

198428 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at the corner of

(ID:10999) Harvard and Monmouth Streets. (3rd Request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

73. Mayor's Requesting the adoption of a New Zoning Ordinance (updated) to supersede the current Zoning Ordinance as originally adopted on March 23, 1990.

198429

(ID:10997) Also referred to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:00 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 12, 2015, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198430 (ID:11027) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Patrick Sullivan. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for James Saverse. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Albert D'Ovidio.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198431 (ID:11028) Approval of the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting, January 5, 2015, and the Regular Meeting, January 8, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198432 (ID:11006) By Ald. Ballantyne, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Zoe Colt, on the happy occasion of her 90th birthday.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 198433 (ID:11009)

Submitted by Crown Castle to install 350 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 211/6 at Line Street along Smith Avenue to a point of pickup on the southeast side of Beacon Street near Smith Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Kosta Jovanovic, with Crown Castle, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. He said the work being completed is underground, and re-paving will be completed satisfactory to Public Works.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

5. Grant of Location 198434 (ID:11010) Submitted by Crown Castle to install 1,533 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 142/29 at Kent Street proceeding northwest to Prentiss Street, then along Prentiss Street to Pole 161/2.

The President opened the public hearing. Kosta Jovanovic, with Crown Castle, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

6. Grant of Location 198435 (ID:11011) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 181-183 Tremont Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Kosta Jovanovic, with Crown Castle, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

7. Grant of Location 198436 (ID:11012) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 281 Beacon Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Kosta Jovanovic, with Crown Castle, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

8. Grant of Location 198437 (ID:11013) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at the corner of Beacon and Park Streets.

The President opened the public hearing. Kosta Jovanovic, with Crown Castle, spoke about the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

9. Resolution 198438 (ID:11034) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

Commending the Mayor and his Administration for their professionalism and dedicated efforts during the recent snowstorms.

Alderman Connolly spoke about the recent snow storms the City has encountered, and the extraordinary effort that has been made to clear the roads and preserve the public safety. The Board echoed these sentiments. Mayor Curtatone spoke about the hard work that hundreds of the City employees have accomplished through the storms. He expressed his concerns for the fatigue of the workers and equipment. He also spoke about relief crews from New York and New Jersey assisting in the snow removal. President White spoke about the demand for parking spots in the City and the challenges that brings for plows.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Resolution 198439 (ID:11033) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration, with the Fire and Police Departments, compile a report of the number of "needed assistance" calls made by each tax-exempt facility in the City over the past 2 years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Resolution 198440 (ID:11029) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That this Board supports the Don't Leave Seniors Behind Healthcare Campaign of the MA Senior Action Council.

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about the excessive healthcare costs that seniors encounter. Resident John Robinson, who works with Mass Senior Action, was sponsored to address the Board, and stated that while Medicare is a good foundation, there is a need to help fill the gap for seniors. Alderman Sullivan thanked Mr. Robinson for his work on this. Alderman Heuston discussed some basic services that are not covered by Medicare. Mr. Robinson confirmed that this is a State campaign, not a federal one.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Senior Services Committee

12. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198441 (ID:11039) That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief of Police take notice of the fire lane on Pinckney Street, to prevent snow from being dumped there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198442 (ID:11035) That the Commissioner of Public Works look into the deployment of plow arm extensions, which can be lowered to clear driveways that have had snow plowed into them, and report to this Board about their potential use here.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198443 (ID:11036) That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board why, after the snowstorm on January 28, snow plows inundated sidewalks on the even side of the street with snow and large ice boulders, causing residents to shovel their sidewalks several times, and what measures are being taken so this doesn't happen again.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198444 (ID:11037) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report to this Board on the process for issuing citations during snowstorms to private plowing and shoveling contractors who are plowing snow into the street or onto neighbors' sidewalks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

16. Order 198445

(ID:11038)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) report to this Board on why the Tree Advisory Committee, created under the Tree Preservation Ordinance, appears to be completely inactive, and present a plan for activating it by March 26, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang discussed preserving and protecting the trees around the City. Alderman McWatters also spoke about planting and preserving them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 17. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198446 (ID:11032) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on February 5, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed different possibilities for a time frame on snow removal for residences and businesses, for which there will be a public hearing to further discuss. She also spoke about changes to liquor licenses that were discussed. Alderman Rossetti recused herself from #197413.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 197413 (ID:9869) Requesting approval of an amendment to Ordinance 2-322 regarding salary ranges.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the difficulties to fill top positions in the City, and said this would increase the salary of new employees in hopes of filling these positions. Alderman Rossetti was recused.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Gewirtz

C. Mayor's Request 197700 (ID:10256) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition that would increase the number of liquor licenses that the Licensing Commission may issue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Gewirtz

D. Order 198447 (ID:11042) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD give preference to local businesses when submitting recommendations to the Licensing Commission for liquor licenses issued under #197700, a Home Rule Petition to increase the number of licenses in the city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 18. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198448 (ID:11031) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on February 4, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

197913		New Outdoor Seating License, Tony C's Sports Bar and Grill, 699 Assembly Row, 46 tables, 184 seats.		
	(ID:10474)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
197914		New Outdoor Sea sign.	ating License, Atelier Pilates, 7 Landers Street, 1 A-frame	
	(ID:10475)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
D.	License/Permit 198028	Sign/Awning Per	mit, Gardini Law Office, 24 Dane St., 1 blade sign.	
	(ID:10535)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
E.	198261	New Used Car Decars on site.	ealer Class 2 License, Best Cars of MA, 1 Virginia St., no	
	(ID:10811)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
F.	198262	New Used Car Doutside.	ealer Class 2 License, Instacar, 38-42 Medford St., 10 autos	
	(ID:10812)	RESULT: AMENDED:	APPROVED AS AMENDED Approved for 4 autos outside, for 30 days only.	
G.		New Garage Lice	ense, Car Zone, 486 Columbia St., 3 cars inside, 3 outside.	
	198339 (ID:10917)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
Н.	198340	New Garage Lice outside.	ense, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 19 Joy St., 22 cars inside, 20	
	(ID:10915)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
I.	198341	New Garage Lice inside.	ense, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St., 25 cars	
(ID:10914)		RESULT:	APPROVED	
J.	198342	New Outdoor Parcars.	king License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St., 63	
	(ID:10916)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
K.	License/Permit	New Livery Lice	nse, Mass Cab, 45 Endicott Ave., 1 vehicle.	
	198343 (ID:10918)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

#### TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE 19.

A. Committee

Report 198449 (ID:11030) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on January 29, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about truck traffic restrictions in the City, and explained its

origination in 2002. He said that in order to change the truck traffic, a study must be completed.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

В. Order

196587 (ID:9119) By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking monitor truck traffic on and around Powderhouse Boulevard, paying special attention to areas surrounding the Tufts

campus.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's

196659 (ID:9155)

Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to #196587 re: truck Communication traffic on Powderhouse Blvd.

> RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 197017 (ID:9571) By Ald. Rossetti, Sullivan, Heuston, Niedergang, McWatters That this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate the reasoning of truck traffic restrictions in our city last being ordered in 2002.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

20. Mayor's Request 198450 (ID:11002)

Requesting an appropriation of \$34,779.40 From Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Personnel Professional and Technical Services Account to pay an FY2014 training invoice.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 20 through 22 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

21. Mayor's Request 198451 (ID:10980) Requesting the acceptance of grant funds totaling \$250,000 from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development for the East Broadway Streetscape Project.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

Finance Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

22. Mayor's Request 198452 (ID:10996) Requesting the acceptance of a \$4,314 grant from the MA Vest-a-Dog program for a cruiser insert for the Police Dept.'s K-9 dog.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

23. 198453

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Birdhouse Project, Union Square, Apr 25, 8:30AM-5PM (raindate May 2).

(ID:11008)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 23 through 31 and refer items 23, 27, 29 and 30 to Committee, and approve all others. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

Licenses and Permits Committee FOLLOWUP:

24. 198454

License/Permit Public Event Permit, NStar Walk for Boston Children's Hospital, Assembly

Row, Jun 14, 5:30AM-3PM.

(ID:11007)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

25. 198455

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

(ID:11014)

RESULT: APPROVED

26. License/Permit 198456

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.

(ID:11015)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

27. 198457

License/Permit New Garage License, Top Car Auto Repair, 497 Columbia St., 8 autos inside, 2 outside.

(ID:11040)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

28. 198458 (ID:11016)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, John's Auto Sales Inc., 181 Somerville Ave., 38 autos outside, Mo-Th 9AM-8PM, Fr-Sa 9AM-6PM, Su

10AM-5PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. 198459

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Pennypackers.

(ID:11017)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 30.

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Rhythm n Wraps.

198460 (ID:11018)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

31. 198461

License/Permit New Lodging House License, Walnut Hill Properties dba Zeta Beta Tau, 126 Packard Ave., 4 residents.

(ID:11019)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. **Public**  Linda Siraco submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198462 (ID:11020)

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the readings of items 32 through 38 and refer them to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

33. **Public** Communication ordinance.

Kate Wheeler and David Guss submitting comments re: the snow removal

198463 (ID:11021)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

34. Public Rob Cheyne submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198464

(ID:11022)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

35. Public

Karen Molloy submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198465

(ID:11023)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

36. **Public**  Jennifer Grande submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198466 (ID:11024)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

37. **Public**  Mark Gallagher submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198467 (ID:11025)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

38. Public MaJa Kietzke submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198468

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee (ID:11026)

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

39. Order 198469 (ID:11041) By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Recreation confer with DCR about installing lights in the parking lot adjacent to the Dilboy swimming pool.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

40. Resolution 198470 (ID:11043) By Ald. Ballantyne, Niedergang

That the Administration appear before this Board to explain the closing of schools and municipal buildings due to safety concerns.

Mayor Curtatone explained the planning that takes place around schools after snow. The city inspected the snow on the roofs of the schools, which had increased to well over 3 feet of snow. He has been working with the Superintendent with regards to making sure that all safety concerns have been addressed before the schools are re-opened. Alderman Niedergang requested clarification on how the decision was made to close the schools. Capital Projects Director Rob King explained that architects that had looked at two buildings, and made the assessment on the snow building up on the roofs. He stated that their assessment showed the weight of the snow on one roof was over the structural limit. Alderman Lafuente explained the residents' frustration, and how the decisions made were the right decisions to ensure everyone's safety. Alderman Ballantyne requested an explanation for the snow removal from the roofs of the schools. Mr. King replied that crews are working on clearing the snow before the next round of storms, and will be around to clear the next round of snow as well. Alderman McWatters commended Mr. King on bringing in an Architect, and keeping the safety of the children in mind.

RESULT: APPROVED

41. Order 198471 (ID:11044) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the city's trash collector close all barrel lids after collection during inclement weather.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

42. Order 198472 (ID:11045) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Ballantyne, Sullivan

That the Land Use Committee, during the upcoming zoning overhaul review, examine whether a provision should be added for universities to obtain a special permit before operating housing outside a University District.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

43. Order 198473 (ID:11046) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board whether it is possible to have the Public Schools open when there is a declared snow emergency, and, if it is possible, to also report the plan for teacher and staff parking, since school parking lots are used then for resident parking. (2nd request)

Mayor Curtatone explained that the city cannot remove the parking ban at this time. The city was exploring having snow chompers clear out spots in the streets for staff parking. He also spoke about taking charge for clearing snow in other areas in the City, which would normally be the State's responsibility.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

44. Order 198474 (ID:11047) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works shovel a sidewalk path through the huge mound of snow where the sidewalk should be on the east side of Cedar Street by the Community Path Extension next to the parking lot at 2 Alpine Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

45. Mayor's Request 198475 (ID:10942) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$64,423 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for Fire Department staffing.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive this reading and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 198476 (ID:11060) Requesting the appointment of Mark Sternman to the Historical Preservation Commission.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 48 and refer them to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

47. Mayor's Request 198477 (ID:11061) Requesting the appointment of Todd Zinn to the Historical Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

48. Mayor's Request 198478 (ID:11066) Requesting the appointment of Heather Davies as an Alternate Member of the Historical Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

49.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re- Commission.	appointment of Eric Parkes to the Historical Preservation			
	198479 (ID:11062)	Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 53 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  RESULT: APPROVED				
50.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re- Commission.	appointment of Ryan Falvey to the Historical Preservation			
	198480 (ID:11063)	RESULT:	APPROVED			
51.	Mayor's Request		appointment of Derek Snare as an Alternate Member of the ation Commission.			
	198481 (ID:11064)	RESULT:	APPROVED			
52.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re- Historical Preserva	appointment of George Born as an Alternate Member of the ation Commission.			
	198482 (ID:11065)	RESULT:	APPROVED			
53.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re- Commission.	appointment of Richard Bauer to the Historical Preservation			
	198483 (ID:11067)	RESULT:	APPROVED			
54.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Robert Sweeney as Constable.			
	Request 198484 (ID:11048)	and refer them to being no opposit	on requested to waive the readings of items 54 through 63 the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There ion, the motion was approved.			
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee			
55.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of James Pero as Constable.			
	Request 198485 (ID:11049)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee			
56.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.			
	Request 198486	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION			
	(ID:11050)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee			
57.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Scott Kingsley as Constable.			
	Request 198487	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION			
	(ID.11051)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee			

**FOLLOWUP:** 

(ID:11051)

Confirmation of Appointments Committee

58. Mayor's		Requesting the re-appointment of Thathyanno Desa as Constable.		
	Request 198488 (ID:11052)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
59. Mayor's		Requesting the re-appointment of Derek Morrison as Constable.		
	Request 198489 (ID:11053)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
60.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Gladyner Brevil as Constable.	
	Request 198490 (ID:11054)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
61.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.	
	Request 198491 (ID:11055)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
62.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Albert Darling as Constable.	
	Request 198492 (ID:11056)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
63.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Geovanne Colon as Constable.	
	Request 198493 (ID:11057)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee	
	LATE ITEMS			
64.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the apprincipal Representation of the Requesting the apprincipal Representation of the Requesting the apprincipal Requesting the apprincipal Representation of the ap	pointment of Paul Savage to the position of Permanent	
	198402 (ID:10881)	Discharged from <b>RESULT:</b>	the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  APPROVED	
65.	65. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Douglas Henry to the position of Permane Firefighter.			
	198403 (ID:10882)	Discharged from <b>RESULT:</b>	the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. <b>APPROVED</b>	
66.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appring Firefighter.	pointment of Sean Layton to the position of Permanent	
	198418 (ID:10883)	Discharged from <b>RESULT:</b>	the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  APPROVED	

67. Mayor's Request 198404 (ID:10884)

Requesting the appointment of Ryan Layton to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

68. Mayor's Request 198405 (ID:10885) Requesting the appointment of Robert Whelan to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

69. Mayor's Request 198406 (ID:10886) Requesting the appointment of Joseph Laudano to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

70. Mayor's Request 198407 (ID:10887)

Requesting the appointment of Hallam Massiah to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

71. Public 198494 (ID:11059)

Federal Realty Investment Trust requesting to address this Board re: #198410, Communication a Resolution urging FRIT to employ union labor and give preference to Somerville residents for all construction work.

> Don Briggs, representing Federal Realty Investment Trust, was sponsored and spoke about some concerns that were brought up regarding union labor at Assembly Square. He spoke about recent projects throughout the City, and that nearly 70% of jobs have been union jobs. He added that more than 50% of jobs for Phase 1 at Assembly Square are held by Somerville residents. He stated that the cost premium to use union labor would ultimately significantly increase rents for the apartments being constructed. President White requested a break down of the figures for the rent projections, in particular the increase from construction costs. Alderman Rossetti requested to know what percentage of work in Phase 2 will be union labor. Alderman Niedergang spoke about the need to do better in regards to union labor. Alderman Lafuente spoke about the public money invested, and because of that there should be more union labor involved. Mr. Briggs spoke about the tax revenue that has been generated to date. Alderman McLaughlin spoke about the need to keep moving forward with union hires. Alderman McWatters also expressed the need for more union labor, and the concern over affordable housing. Alderman Heuston stated this development is setting a precedent for future developments, and the importance of continuing to move forward with more union labor.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee 72. Mayor's Conveying a request from the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition to the State for Communication additional assistance to address snow removal.

198495 (ID:11070)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

73. Resolution By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

198496 That this Board supports the request of the Metropolitan Mayors Coalition for (ID:11069) additional assistance from the State to address this winter's record levels of

snowfall.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

74. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198497 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the area around 74 Gilman Street for (ID:11058) rodents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 26, 2015, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198498 (ID:11117) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Linda Borodkin. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Mary Celli.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198499 (ID:11118) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, January 22, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198500 (ID:11099) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Sproot, a Somerville-based startup, for winning the People's Choice Award at the University of Texas Food Lab Challenge.

Alderman Heuston spoke about Sproot and the exciting nutrition work they do in the City. She suggested that more businesses in the City be recognized.

4. Citation 198501 (ID:11100)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

Commending the Mayor, his Administration, and the Public Works, Police, and Fire Departments for a job well done during the recent historic snow fall.

Alderman Connolly spoke about the storms that hit the City over the past month, and expressed his gratitude to the Mayor and his team for a job well done. Mayor Curtatone thanked the City employees and the Board for their dedication, work and support during this time. Alderman Rossetti spoke about the importance of clearing the remaining streets, to ensure the safety of the public. Mayor Curtatone mentioned the plan that was in place to clear all the streets around the schools, and stated they will get to all streets in the City. Alderman LaFuente thanked the Mayor for calling each resident to give an explanation and ease the frustration during the storms. Alderman Niedergang mentioned that some residents were not pleased with the snow removal on their streets. Mayor Curtatone replied that those streets should have already been cleared, based on those requests.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Resolution 198502 (ID:11084) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration update this Board on Feb. 26, 2015 regarding snow removal efforts.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

6. Order 198503 (ID:11083) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD submit a progress report on SomerVision by March 26, 2015.

Alderman Ballantyne said she requested this last year, and is still waiting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

7. Order 198504 (ID:11085) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Directors of Constituent Services and the Council on Aging work with the Mayor's Office to develop a more robust program for low-cost shoveling for low-income seniors and people with disabilities who can't shovel or pay market rates.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Senior Services Committee

8. Order 198505 (ID:11086) By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works implement with the Director of Constituent Services a registry of properties that require special plowing or shoveling attention due to the necessary actions of city plows, so these situations can be automatically addressed.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Resolution 198506 (ID:11087) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Mayor report to this Board a timeline for filling the 2 vacancies on the Redevelopment Authority .

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the importance of a full Redevelopment Authority at this time, with all of the projects going on around the City.

RESULT: APPROVED

10. Order 198507 (ID:11088) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Personnel report to this Board on the progress in hiring key managerial positions, especially the Directors of Engineering, Libraries and Veterans Services.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 198508 (ID:11089) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) schedule with the Ward 5 Alderman a follow-up community meeting for March or April to report on safety improvements planned for the Lowell Street bridge area, since the Community Path Extension will open onto the Lowell Street bridge in the spring.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the ramp being completed in the spring, and that safety plans need to be in place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

12. Order 198509 (ID:11090) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) schedule with the Ward 5 Alderman a community meeting on street and infrastructure improvements to enhance safety on Cedar Street between Broadway and Highland Avenue since the street will be repayed this spring.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 198510 (ID:11091) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Capital Projects schedule with the Mayor's Office and the Ward 5 Alderman a follow-up community meeting to discuss drainage and groundwater issues at the 35R Lexington Ave project.

14. Order By Ald. Niedergang 198511

That the Director of Traffic and Parking turn on or repair the speed indicator (ID:11092) signs on the north and south approaches to the Lowell Street Bridge.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

15. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Porter Street at 198512 (ID:11093)

the intersection of Highland Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 16. By Ald. Niedergang

198513

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Lowell Street at (ID:11094) Albion Street and at 235 Lowell Street.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

17. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pot holes on Grove Street, 198514

Morrison Avenue, Appleton Street and Clifton Street. (ID:11096)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

18. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Ballantyne, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works install temporary lighting at the 198515

Dilboy Field parking lot that is utilized during snow storms. (ID:11068)

Alderman Sullivan stated the benefits of being able to use the parking lot,

and the need for at least some temporary lighting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

19. Order By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the gate (closest to Grossman 198516

Marketing Group) at the New Washington Street dog park. (ID:11095)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 20. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Report of the Committee Report on Finance, meeting on February 24, 2015. A. Committee

Report 198517

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:11079)

B. Mayor's Request 195769 (ID:8263) Requesting approval to appropriate \$106,812.60 from Free Cash to the Highway Professional & Technical Services Account to provide the first year of GPS monitoring services for city vehicles.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

C. Order By Ald. Heuston

195833 (ID:8357)

That the Director of Finance and the City Treasurer research the possibility of providing direct deposit pay stubs online to employees and determine the potential savings to the city by doing so.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #195769 re: GPS devices on city Communication vehicles and collective bargaining rights.

196058 (ID:8578)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. **Public** Communication city vehicles.

Sanford Pooler submitting comments re: #195769, installing GPS devices in

196125 (ID:8638)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Officer's

Director of Finance submitting a report on SPCD Professional & Technical

Communication Services Accounts.

196859 (ID:9393)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

G. Order By Ald. White Jr.

197739 (ID:10297) That the City Auditor advise this Board of the status of the Gosder Cherilus Foundation check to refund the money used by the City to pay for the equipment for the Somerville Youth Football program.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Mayor's Request 198232 (ID:10634) Requesting the dedication of Otis Playground for Open Space and Recreational Use in perpetuity.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, AYES:

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McWatters, Gewirtz

I. Mayor's Request 198233 (ID:10631) Requesting the acceptance of a Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant totaling \$400,000 to construct Otis Playground.

J. Mayor's Requesting, as required by the PARC grants, the authorization to utilize State Request and Federal funding necessary to construct Otis Playgound. 198234 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:10633) K. Mayor's Requesting Use of Available Funds totalling \$2,108 in the Auditing Dept. Request Salaries Account to adjust the salary of the Accounting Analyst position. 198235 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10787) L. Mayor's Requesting the expenditure of \$2,057.31 in FY15 appropriations to pay four Request outstanding FY14 invoices in the Police Dept. 198400 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10900) M. Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,999 from the National Endowment Mayor's Request for the Humanities, for the City Clerk's assessment and preservation of certain 198401 historic records. (ID:10967) **RESULT: APPROVED** N. Mayor's Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$110,000 from the MA Government Request Innovation Office partially funding a longitudinal integrated data system for the Public Schools in concert with SomerPromise and Code for America. 198416 (ID:10990) **RESULT: APPROVED** O. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$20,000 from DCR for the Arts Request Council to complete a sculpture project for Baxter Park. 198417 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:10989) P. Mayor's Requesting an appropriation of \$34,779.40 From Unreserved Fund Balance Request ("Free Cash") to the Personnel Professional and Technical Services Account to 198450 pay an FY2014 training invoice. (ID:11002) RESULT: **APPROVED** O. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of grant funds totaling \$250,000 from the MA Request Office of Housing and Economic Development for the East Broadway 198451 Streetscape Project. (ID:10980)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

R. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a \$4,314 grant from the MA Vest-a-Dog program for a cruiser insert for the Police Dept.'s K-9 dog. Request

198452 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:10996)

S. Mayor's Request 198475 (ID:10942) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$64,423 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for Fire Department staffing.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

# 21. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198518 (ID:11077) Report of the Committee Report on Legislative Matters, meeting on February 19, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the domestic violence leave policy that is in place. She also spoke about a draft ordinance regarding anti-nepotism, a copy of which is being sent to the School Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 192806

192806 T (ID:5305) th

By Ald. White Jr.

That this Board requests that the Mayor and the Director of Personnel inform the Committee on Legislative Matters of the city's intentions regarding the development of a domestic violence policy for city employees.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 197889 (ID:10453) By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Commissions provide this Board with an annual update on domestic violence to include statistics and available programs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order

By Ald. Sullivan

197980 (ID:10587)

That the Director of Personnel update this Board on implementation of the domestic violence leave policy mandated by Chapter 260 of the Acts of 2014.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Officer's Communicatio

Personnel Director responding to #197980 re: the city's domestic violence

Communication <u>leave policy</u>.

198134 (ID:10697)

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

# 22. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198519 (ID:11078) Report of the Committee Report on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on February 25, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the public hearing on the snow ordinance that took place.

B. Order 198319 (ID:10899) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr.

That this Board conduct a public hearing on the new snow removal regulations to solicit feedback and suggestions from the public.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

23. Mayor's Request 198520 (ID:11072) Requesting approval to extend a lease with Zipcar through 12/31/15 for 7 spaces in municipal lots.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 23 through 26, and refer items 23, 25 and 26 to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

24. Withdrawn 198521 (ID:11001)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

25. Mayor's Request 198522 (ID:11074) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$400,000 from the EPA for SPCD's use in assessing brownfields sites throughout the city.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

26. Mayor's Request 198523 (ID:10995) Requesting the acceptance of a \$17,924 grant from the DPH First Responder Naloxone (Narcan) Grant Program for the Police Dept.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

27. Mayor's Request 198524 (ID:11098) Requesting a review of Edwin Torres' Constable License.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 27 and 28, and refer item 27 to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, and approve item 28. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

28. Mayor's Request 198525 (ID:11076) Requesting the appointment of Douglas Bosley as an Election Commissioner.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

29. Officer's 198526 (ID:10880)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #197941, a zoning Communication ordinance amendment to prohibit the damage or destruction of any shade or fruit trees during the conversion of a single- or two-family dwelling.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 29, and refer it to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

30. Officer's City Clerk requesting approval of his Public Official's Bond.

Request 198527 (ID:11097)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### NEW BUSINESS

31. 198528

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Groundwork Somerville Maple Syrup Boil Down, Growing Center, Mar 6-7, 8:30AM-4PM.

(ID:11101)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 31 through 37, refer items 36 and 37 to the Licenses and Permits Committee, and approve items 31 through 35. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. 198529

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Palm Sunday Donkey Walk, Powderhouse Park to Davis Sq, Mar 29, 8:30-9:30AM.

(ID:11102)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

33. 198530 (ID:11104)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Easter Sunrise Service, Powderhouse

Park, Apr 6, 5:45-7AM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**RESULT:** 

34. License/Permit 198531

Public Event Permit, MOM's 5K Run for Cancer, Dilboy Post and area streets, May 10, 8AM-3PM.

(ID:11105)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

35. License/Permit 198532

Public Event Permit, Somerville Road Runners Race to the Row, Assembly Sq, Aug 23, 7AM-2PM.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

(ID:11106)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

36. 198533

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Instacar, 38 Medford St.

(ID:11108)

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 37. 198534

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy., 0 autos in, 18 autos out.

(ID:11107)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

38. Public

Communication 198535

(ID:11071)

Kirsten Wesselhoeft submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 38 through 43. and forward them to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

39. **Public** 

Communication 198536 (ID:11075)

Erica Voolich submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

40. Public

Communication

Kevin Oliver submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

41. Public

198537

(ID:11081)

Fred Berman and Lori Segall submitting comments re: the snow removal Communication ordinance.

John Bunzick submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

198538

(ID:11082)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

42. **Public** 

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Communication 198539

(ID:11109)

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

43. Public Rob Cheyne submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198540

(ID:11115)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

44. Public Communication 198541

MA DOT informing the city of a Public Hearing on a Design Public Hearing for the Healey School Intersection Improvements Project on 3/4/15 at 7PM at the Healey School Cafeteria.

(ID:11116)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

45. Order 198542 (ID:11125) By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD apply an economic modeling construct to the proposed zoning ordinance to demonstrate the likely economic impacts on commercial development, jobs, housing, and other factors.

Alderman Heuston explained how economic modeling could be helpful in defining the impacts of the proposed zoning. Alderman Niedergang stated that the modeling would help predict if the zoning would help reach the Somervision goals. Alderman Ballantyne spoke of the importance of understanding what the future impacts would be. Alderman White spoke about the impacts of the new zoning, particularly by-right development. Alderman Rossetti said that the Planning Department was unable to give projections of what could happen in the Wards. Alderman White discussed the lower Broadway to Winter Hill rezoning that took place in 2010, which is only starting to move now 5 years later. He recommended completing this modeling analysis on a Ward by Ward basis. Alderman Lafuente expressed his concern with as-of-right development, because it bypasses community input. He recommended asking for best and worst case scenarios.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

46. Order 198543 (ID:11126)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board to state his intention to comply with #198411, an Order passed by this Board on 1/22/15 that he provide each ward alderman with an analysis of the impact of the proposed zoning ordinance on their ward, and then work with them on a ward-based public meeting to discuss those changes.

Alderman White spoke about zoning and how it will make major changes throughout the city. He stated it was important to have this on a Ward basis, and make that information available for the public to review.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

47. Mayor's Request 198544 (ID:11110) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to establish a Project Mitigation Contribution (linkage) program and establish a Job Creation and Retention Trust.

Alderman Niedergang explained that there was a similar item approved by the Board that was not passed at the Statehouse. This new proposal has had some adjustments made to it. SPCD Director Michael Glavin was sponsored, and spoke about the adjustments made. President White questioned whether, with proposed as-of-right zoning, the affordable housing linkage has to be re-written. Meridith Levy, Deputy Director of Somerville Community Corporation, was sponsored and stated that they were pleased when this proposal was previously passed, and they hope it passes again. She explained that the linkage program helps bring Somerville residents together with Somerville jobs.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

48. Mayor's Request 198545 (ID:11005) Requesting a contract extension for CDR Maguire through May 29, 2015, for engineering services for the East Somerville Community School.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 198546 (ID:11119) Requesting approval to borrow \$809,425 in a bond, and expend the same amount, for Emergency DPW Snow Removal Equipment.

DPW Commissioner Koty spoke about how the new equipment would be used. Alderman Lafuente spoke about the necessity of this equipment. President White asked how the pricing was determined. Commissioner Koty said it was on the State bid list and explained that process. Alderman Rossetti questioned the effects of snow related expenses. Mayor Curtatone stated these were normal capital purchases, and that the snow expenses can go into a deficit. He also explained different ways to close that gap.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Gewirtz

50. Mayor's Request 198547 (ID:10982) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$64,423 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for police staffing for the Police Dept.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 50 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 198548 (ID:11111) Requesting the reappointment of Alyssa Rosen Saunders to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 51 through 54, and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

52. Mayor's Request 198549 (ID:11112) Requesting the appointment of Matt Miller to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

53. Mayor's Request 198550 (ID:11113) Requesting the appointment of Vanessa Boukili to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

54. Mayor's Request 198551 (ID:11114) Requesting the appointment of Spencer Lawrence to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

55. Mayor's Communication Line station.

Conveying information about the construction of the Gilman Square Green

198552

(ID:11127)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

Officer's 56.

Director of Personnel responding to #198507 on tonight's agenda re: hiring key Communication managerial positions.

198553 (ID:11124)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

57. Officer's 198554

(ID:11004)

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 1/22/15.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 60.

place them on file, and send them to the appropriate committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

58. Public

59.

Joe Lynch submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198555 (ID:11121)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

**Public** Communication

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

198556 (ID:11122)

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

60. **Public** 

Allison Stieber submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Elizabeth Levy submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198557 (ID:11123)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# LATE ITEMS

61.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of James Pero as Constable.
	Request 198485 (ID:11049)	Alderman Heuston moved to discharge items 61 through 69, all constable reappointments, from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, then waive the readings and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  RESULT: APPROVED
62.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.
	Request 198486 (ID:11050)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
63.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Scott Kingsley as Constable.
	Request 198487 (ID:11051)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
64.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Thathyanno Desa as Constable.
	Request 198488 (ID:11052)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
65.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Derek Morrison as Constable.
	Request 198489 (ID:11053)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
66.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Gladyner Brevil as Constable.
	Request 198490 (ID:11054)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
67.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.
	Request 198491 (ID:11055)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
68.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Albert Darling as Constable.
	Request 198492 (ID:11056)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED
69.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-appointment of Geovanne Colon as Constable.
	Request 198493 (ID:11057)	Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.  RESULT: APPROVED

70. Order 198558 (ID:11128) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD hire an independent consultant to conduct and provide to this Board an expedited economic analysis of the impacts of a range of potential inclusionary zoning affordable housing percentages from 12 1/2% to 25% on affordable and market-rate housing.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the potential changes to the housing ordinances, and how the impacts are unknown. He suggested that a consultant be brought in to project the impacts of these changes. President White stated that these studies have been done before. Alderman Niedergang stated there are consultants that can complete this quickly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

71. Resolution 198559

(ID:11129)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration update the public with CTY calls when parking restrictions have been lifted on their streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

72. Order 198560 (ID:11130) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Personnel provide this Board with a list of all open city positions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198561 (ID:11168) Call of the Roll.

The Board dedicated this meeting to the memory of former Aldermen Thomas Taylor. The President announced that on April 26, from 4-8 pm, there will be a tribute to Tom's life held at the City Club.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198562 (ID:11169) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 12, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 198563 (ID:11170) Submitted by NStar Electric for 129 feet of conduit in Tufts Street and the relocation of Pole 340/1 80 feet to the northwest.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

4. Grant of Location 198564 (ID:11171) Submitted by NStar Electric for 5 feet of conduit in Medford Street from Pole 228/2 to a point of pickup at 9 Medford Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 198565 (ID:11172) Submitted by NStar Electric for 54 feet of conduit in Beech Street from Pole 281/1 to a point of pickup at 10 Beech Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 198566 (ID:11173) Submitted by NStar Electric for 7 feet of conduit in North Street from Pole 190/2 to a point of pickup at 11 North Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 198567 (ID:11174) Submitted by NStar Electric for 4 feet of conduit in Medford Street from Pole 228/3 to a point of pickup 17 feet northeast of Warren Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 198568 (ID:11175) Submitted by NStar Electric for 26 feet of conduit in Thorndike Street from Pole 333/5 to a point of pickup near the bike path.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from NStar Electric discussed the details of the project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

9. Resolution 198569 (ID:11140) By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr., Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Heuston, Sullivan, McWatters, Rossetti

Urging that Union Square's D2 and D3 blocks adjacent to the planned T station be developed primarily as commercial office and lab space.

Alderman Heuston discussed the possibility of commercial development taking place in Union Square, saying the Board is responsible for the direction the square takes, and it needs to stay on the path that was intended for that area. She suggested the City be aggressive and move forward with commercial development. Alderman McWatters expressed his support for commercial development, jobs and housing, and said constituents feel the City is not living up to the expectations originally set in SomerVision. Alderman Niedergang said he met with US2, and they had not made all of their plans public vet. They're focused on D2 and D3 at this moment, per the City's request. He suggested slowing the plans down a bit, and coming up with a master plan. Alderman White referenced a 1998 study in Assembly Square that resulted in big boxes first, followed by office buildings later. He added that Somerville's population is made up of 43% millennials, which should be used to bring commercial development to the area. Alderman Rossetti spoke about families that are worried about the future, and the need to have commercial development in the area, to grow the commercial tax base. Alderman Ballantyne stated the priority is commercial development. She also spoke about the affordable housing gains already achieved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order 198570 (ID:11144) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board and the School Committee about enforcing parking regulations during street cleaning near schools in the morning between 8 and 8:30 AM.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about parents being ticketed while dropping off their children, and requested a change in street sweeping regulations to allow those drop-offs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 198571 (ID:11145) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Director of Recreation report to this Board on the playing fields for youth sports activities and efforts to develop new fields.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

12. Resolution 198572 (ID:11146) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Mayor report to this Board on new main branch of the Public Library in Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

13. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

198573 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Highland

(ID:11148) Avenue at Crocker Street, Belmont Street and Benton Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order By Ald. McWatters

198574 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of

(ID:11141) Greenville and Munroe Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order By Ald. McWatters

198575 That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility

(ID:11142) company regarding low hanging wires at the corner of Columbus and Bonner

Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

16. Order By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

198576 That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on any plans to

(ID:11143) renovate Central Hill Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

17. Order By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.

198577 That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the Pothole Patrol on the

major roadways and cross streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:11149)

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Inner Belt Road.

(ID:11150) **RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198579 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Rent a Center store on Broadway

(ID:11151) for trash and other violations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

20. Order 198580 (ID:11152) By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer explain public safety efforts in Assembly Square.

Alderman McLaughlin expressed the need to have Police and Fire crews available in the area. He also spoke about Avalon Bay apartments and recent fires in other buildings they've built. President White referenced a study on constructing a Police Station in the area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

21. Order 198581 (ID:11153) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the old Chuckie Harris Park and place a trash barrel at the location.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198582 (ID:11154) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for possible chemical spills.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

23. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198583 (ID:11155)

(ID:11156)

That the Director of Veterans Services appear before this Board to discuss previous Board orders.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Veterans and Public Services Committee

24. Order 198584

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD plan a walkway between East Somerville and Assembly Square in conjunction with Federal Realty and Criterion

Development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

25. Order 198585

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a new WALK sign on

(ID:11157) Broadway at the East Somerville Library.

26. Order

198586 (ID:11158) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on renovating and taking control of Foss Park.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

27. Order

198587 (ID:11159) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report back to the Ward 7 Alderman, every 2 weeks until May 1, with a car count on Alewife Automotive's lot, located at

395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 28. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Committee A.

Report 198588 (ID:11163) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on March

4, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT:

**APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Request 198476

(ID:11060)

Requesting the appointment of Mark Sternman to the Historical Preservation Commission.

Requesting the appointment of Todd Zinn to the Historical Preservation

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

C. Mayor's Request 198477 (ID:11061)

Commission. **RESULT: APPROVED** 

D. Mayor's Request 198478

Requesting the appointment of Heather Davies as an Alternate Member of the Historical Preservation Commission.

(ID:11066)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 198548 (ID:11111)

Requesting the reappointment of Alyssa Rosen Saunders to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

F. Mayor's Request 198549 (ID:11112)

Requesting the appointment of Matt Miller to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

G. Mayor's Request 198550 (ID:11113) Requesting the appointment of Vanessa Boukili to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

H. Mayor's Request 198551 (ID:11114) Requesting the appointment of Spencer Lawrence to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 29. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198589 (ID:11162) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on March 4, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about grants that were accepted by the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED**: #197339 was referred back to the Committee on Finance.

B. Mayor's Request 196288 (ID:8799) Requesting the transfer of a parcel of land at 163 Glen Street to the Redevelopment Authority for neighborhood development.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Mayor's Request 197339 (ID:9872) Requesting that the City-owned portion of 163 Glen Street be declared available for disposition.

Mr. Glavin requested approval, as part of a sustainable neighborhood initiative. Alderman McLaughlin questioned if the project will exclude the possibility of open space. President White stated final approval will rest with the Board. Mr. Glavin explained that issuing an RFP for housing starts the process. Alderman Rossetti asked that RFP's go out for both housing and open space, to see the different ideas proposed. After further discussion, she moved that the item be returned to committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

D. Order 197349 (ID:9899) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with the invoices for electric light poles as they are purchased in FY15.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Mayor's Communicating Communication Safety Building. 197611

Communicating information regarding the needed relocation of the Public Safety Building.

197611 (ID:10018)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 197850 (ID:10417) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Finance and/or the City Treasurer report to this Board on what categories of grants, gifts, payments, donations, etc. and by what type of entities need to be formally accepted by a vote of this Board and which do not require official acceptance.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 197881 (ID:10444)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief Assessor report the addresses of all commercial properties that have decreased in land or building value.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 197922 (ID:10486) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD provide administrative support and funding for a Main Streets initiative for the Beacon Street corridor.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Resolution 197988 (ID:10630) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration work with this Board to reschedule the community meetings currently set for November 19 and 20.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 197989 (ID:10632) By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration hold off from advertising the proposed community meetings on #196116, re: commercial and residential property tax valuations, and immediately direct the Communication Department to cease advertising as well.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 197990 (ID:10635) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of Finance create a database to track developers' contributions to stabilization funds and how those funds are utilized.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Mayor's Request 198522 (ID:11074) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$400,000 from the EPA for SPCD's use in assessing brownfields sites throughout the city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 198523 (ID:10995) Requesting the acceptance of a \$17,924 grant from the DPH First Responder Naloxone (Narcan) Grant Program for the Police Dept.

N. Mayor's Request 198545 (ID:11005) Requesting a contract extension for CDR Maguire through May 29, 2015, for engineering services for the East Somerville Community School.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 198547 (ID:10982) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$64,423 from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for police staffing for the Police Dept.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

P. Mayor's Conveying in Communication Line station.

Conveying information about the construction of the Gilman Square Green Line station.

198552 (ID:11127)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### 30. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198590 (ID:11160) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on March 3, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting, which included a presentation of CitizenServe permitting software. He also gave an update on job training programs, sustainable housing initiatives, and a master plan being created for establishments such as Tufts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 196285 (ID:8815) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) provide this Board with an update on improvements and developments in the Inspectional Services Division, including data on new hires over the past six months.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 196287

By Ald. Niedergang

196287 (ID:8817) That the Director of SPCD, the Planning Director, and the Housing Director appear before this Board for an update on raising the inclusionary housing ordinance to promote development of more affordable housing.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 196370 (ID:8901) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor submit to this Board a proposal to impose institutional master plans.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 197884

By Ald. Niedergang

19/884 (ID:10448) That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board, before the Community Path extension is completed in November, on plans to protect pedestrians and cyclists from speeding motorists when Path users come up onto Lowell Street at the Lowell Street bridge.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution 197887

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:10451)

That the Administration update this Board on the status of the Jobs Linkage Fee Home Rule Petition at the statehouse, and the implementation of a Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund, and share their strategy for moving it

forward.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198089 (ID:10654) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to discuss morale issues at the Building Dept.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198090 (ID:10655) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to explain the new process of obtaining permits and why it takes so long to obtain one, even on simple projects.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198094 (ID:10659) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) appear before this Board to explain why inspectors are asking to take pictures during inspections inside people's homes.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Officer's SPCD Director responding Communication development initiatives.

SPCD Director responding to #196437 re: local hiring and workforce

198174

(ID:10734)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198180 (ID:10746)

(ID:10785)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) explain to this Board why permits for solar panels have been placed on hold by the Inspectional Services Department.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Order 198206

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) demonstrate to this Board the CitizenServe software that is being used for the permitting process.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 31. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198591 (ID:11164) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on March 5, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He discussed one public hearing that took place regarding a zoning change, and stated constituent concerns regarding this change. Alderman Rossetti spoke about a mailing from Zone Smart Somerville, sent out by an individual, about concerns relating to the zoning proposal. She wanted to note that it was not a communication from the Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Public Communication 197941 (ID:10490)

Thirteen registered voters submitting a Zoning Ordinance amendment to prohibit the damage or destruction of any shade or fruit tree during the conversion of a single-family or two-family dwelling.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# 32. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198592 (ID:11165) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 9, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the time frame and enforcement for shoveling snow from sidewalks, along with the City's policies with parking during snow storms.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 33. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198593 (ID:11161) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on March 3, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 196760 (ID:9293) By Ald. Heuston, Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Administration create a process to evaluate public events for financial impacts on city resources, and use it for all public event applications.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. License/Permit 197845 (ID:10398)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Hess, 709 McGrath, operating 24/7.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION**: The licenseholder must regularly clean the property.

D. Order 197964 (ID:10561) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inventory all businesses on Columbia Street to determine proper licensing and adherence to licensing requirements, and report his findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Grant of Location 198433 (ID:11009) Submitted by Crown Castle to install 350 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 211/6 at Line Street along Smith Avenue to a point of pickup on the southeast side of Beacon Street near Smith Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

F. Grant of Location 198434 (ID:11010) Submitted by Crown Castle to install 1,533 feet of fiber optic cable in new conduit from Pole 142/29 at Kent Street proceeding northwest to Prentiss Street, then along Prentiss Street to Pole 161/2.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

G. Grant of Location 198435 (ID:11011) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 181-183 Tremont Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

H. Grant of Location 198436 (ID:11012) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at 281 Beacon Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Grant of I. Location 198437 (ID:11013) Submitted by Crown Castle to install optical repeater equipment, a pole-top antenna, and fiber optic cable from existing facilities to an existing wood utility pole at the corner of Beacon and Park Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

J. 198453

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Birdhouse Project, Union Square, Apr 25, 8:30AM-5PM (raindate May 2).

(ID:11008)

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS RESULT:

**CONDITION**: That the Arts Council monitor the area for cleanliness.

K. License/Permit 198457 (ID:11040)

New Garage License, Top Car Auto Repair, 497 Columbia St., 8 autos inside, 2 outside.

L. License/Permit 198534 (ID:11107)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife 198534 Brook Pkwy., 0 autos in, 18 autos out.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED:

- 1. The Used Car Dealer license was approved for 1 vehicle.
- 2. The Garage license was reduced by 1 vehicle (to 28 vehicles, down from 29).
- 3. No vehicles are to be sold at 395 Alewife Brook Parkway.

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

34. Mayor's Request 198594 (ID:11003) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totalling \$9,688.26 with FY15 funds in the Dept. of Public Works.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 34 and 35 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

35. Mayor's Request 198595 (ID:11120) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$460,000 from the MA Cultural Facilities Fund for the Arts Council's ARTFarm development.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 198596 (ID:11166) Requesting the appointment of Katherine Fichter to the Redevelopment Authority.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 40 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

37. Mayor's Request 198597 (ID:11167)

Requesting the appointment of Josh Safdie as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

38. Mayor's Request 198598 (ID:11137) Requesting the re-appointment of Adrian Botelho as Constable.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

39. Mayor's

Request 198599 (ID:11138) Requesting the re-appointment of Nathaniel Greene as Constable.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

40. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable.

198600 (ID:11139)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

41. Officer's 198601

Retirement Board notifying this Board of its intention to vote at a regular Communication meeting on a Cost of Living Adjustment for eligible retirees for 2015.

(ID:11185)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 41 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/12/15.

198602 (ID:11131)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 42 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

43. Officer's Communication Lowell St. Bridge.

Traffic and Parking Director responding to #198511 re: speed signs at the

198603 (ID:11134)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 43 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

44. 198604

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Shape Up Somerville 5K Road Race, City Hall and area streets, Apr 19, 8AM-1PM.

(ID:11176)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 51, approve items 44 through 50, and refer item 51 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

45. License/Permit 198605 (ID:11177)

Public Event Permit, Tufts U Tuftonias Day, Tufts Campus, Apr 24, 7AM-11:30PM (raindate Apr 26).

46. 198606

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Kids4Peace Walk 4 Peace, Cambridge to Park St to Central St to Temple B'nai Brith, Apr 26, 1-5PM.

(ID:11178)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

47. License/Permit 198607

Public Event Permit, Somerville Open Studios Info Booths, Davis Sq and Union Sq, May 2-3, 11AM-6:30PM.

(ID:11183)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

48. 198608 (ID:11179)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Food Truck Festivals of New England - SomerstrEATS, Powderhouse Park, Tuesdays Jun 2-Aug 25, 4:30-8:30PM.

**RESULT:** 

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

49. 198609 (ID:11181)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Maiden Phoenix Theatre Company Winter's Tale production, Powderhouse Park, Rehearsals Aug 9-13, shows Aug 14-16, 21-23, 28-30, afternoons and evenings.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

50.

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Mike's Restaurant, 8 Davis Sq.

198610 (ID:11182)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

51. 198611

(ID:11186)

License/Permit New Livery License, Jean Adrien, 121 Temple St., 1 vehicle.

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

52. **Public**  Mary Mangan submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198612 (ID:11132)

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 54, place them on file, and forward them to the Legislative Matters Committee.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

53. Public Brendan Kearney submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198613 (ID:11133)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

54. Public Leonard Tower submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198614 (ID:11135)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

55. Mayor's Request 198615 (ID:11184) Requesting the appropriation of \$258,669 in unused bond funds to renovate the Kennedy School Playground.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 69 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

56. Mayor's Request 198616 (ID:11192) Requesting to appropriate \$500,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Tower per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

57. Mayor's Request 198617 (ID:11200) Requesting to appropriate \$450,945 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of Temple B'nai Brith per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

58. Mayor's Request 198618 (ID:11199) Requesting to appropriate \$243,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the rehabilitation of the historic windows at the Mystic Water Works per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

59. Mayor's Request 198619 (ID:11196) Requesting to appropriate \$200,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve and Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for design services for the rehabilitation of City Hall per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

60. Mayor's Request 198620 (ID:11193) Requesting to appropriate \$168,161 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of the Somerville Museum and the preservation of its collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

61. Mayor's Request 198621 (ID:11203) Requesting to appropriate \$85,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for design services for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Park per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

62. Mayor's Request 198622 (ID:11201) Requesting to appropriate \$52,090 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the design of the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

63. Mayor's Request 198623 (ID:11195) Requesting to appropriate \$48,360 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Milk Row Cemetery per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

64. Mayor's Request 198624 (ID:11204) Requesting to appropriate \$45,373 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the rehabilitation of eight school garden classrooms per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

65. Mayor's Request 198625 (ID:11202) Requesting to appropriate \$45,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the Healey School to Mystic project per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

66. Mayor's Request 198626 (ID:11198) Requesting to appropriate \$44,982 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the stained glassed window at First Congregational Church of Somerville UCC per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

67. Mayor's Request 198627 (ID:11197) Requesting to appropriate \$43,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance to preserve a portion of the City's permanent archives collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

68. Mayor's Request 198628 (ID:11194) Requesting to appropriate \$7,500 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the preservation of the American Tube Works Complex through National Register of Historic Places Nomination per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

69. Mayor's Request 198629 (ID:11136) Requesting an appropriation of \$100,575 from the Capital Stabilization Fund, to allow the Public Works Dept. to purchase trash and recycling barrels as well as benches.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

70. Public

Communication 198630

(ID:11187)

Clint Richmond submitting comments re: the plastic bag ban.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 70 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

## LATE ITEMS

71. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198631 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sink hole at Pennsylvania

(ID:11206) Avenue and Wisconsin Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

72. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198632 (ID:11207) That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the MBTA to repair the broken bus sign at Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

73. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198633 (ID:11208) That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Otis Street for parking violations Monday thru Friday, 5-8 PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

74. Mayor's Requesting approval of the attached 2015 local election calendar.

Request 198634 (ID:11190)

Alderman Niedergang pointed out a possible conflict with the preliminary election and Yom Kippur both falling on September 22.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

75. Officer's Request 198635 (ID:11212) City Solicitor requesting to appear before this Board in Executive Session to discuss a pending settlement.

The Board convened in Executive Session. Following the session, President White reported that one vote was taken, to approve the settlement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Gewirtz

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198636 (ID:11252) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Carol Bedell. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Bill Fasciano and Allan Wiswall. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Buddy O'Regan. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Donald Cronin. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for John O'Reven and Richard Dupont III. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Mary Lynch.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198637 (ID:11253) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 26, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

**CITATIONS** 

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

3. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198638 (ID:11223) That the Director of SPCD (Planning) inform this Board in writing by March 30 of the number of additional dwelling units allowed under the proposed zoning ordinance.

Alderman Ballantyne spoke about the proposed zoning ordinances. She felt that assumptions were taken to get to the final document together. She also said that if housing density is increased, it will affect the infrastructure and finances of the City. Alderman Niedergang suggested commissioning an independent consultant to do a study to answer questions about the proposal. Alderman Sullivan spoke about the upcoming Land Use meetings to review the updated document. He anticipates it will take 4 to 5 meetings to consider the entire document and to schedule a public hearing before a vote can take place. He added his concern that the document will be very different from start to finish and public input is definitely required.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

4. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198639 (ID:11225) That the Director of SPCD (Planning) submit a plan by March 30 that identifies how the proposed zoning ordinance will affect the zoning of city owned buildings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

5. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198640

(ID:11226)

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) submit by March 30 an implementation plan for how the new proposed zoning ordinance relates to water and sewer, other infrastructure changes, police and fire personnel capacity, and public safety buildings.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

6. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198641 (ID:11227) That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor advise this Board in writing by March 30 whether the proposed zoning ordinance complies with state law regarding the co-habitation of 4 unrelated adults and how much authority a municipality has in this regard.

Alderman White discussed the history of the zoning provision restricting the number of unrelated occupants, which predates the current proposal. It is in compliance with the State law and has been upheld in the US Supreme Court.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

7. Order 198642

By Ald. Ballantyne

198642 That the Director of SPCD (Planning) discuss with this Board by April 15 a requirement for Institutional Master Plans as part of the proposed zoning ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

8. Order 198643 (ID:11229) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Recreation and the Finance Director update this Board and its Committee on Youth Services about any outstanding invoices for the Veterans Rink in FY14 and FY15.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

9. Order 198644 (ID:11234) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 5 Alderman on repairs to prevent tripping at the following crosswalks: Linden Avenue on the south side of Summer Street; Aberdeen Road by Highland Avenue; and Hall Street by Cherry Street. (3rd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order 198645 (ID:11231) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Hudson Street behind the Armory parking lot eastward to 46 Hudson Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Withdrawn 198646 (ID:11232)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

12. Order 198647 (ID:11233) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on the east side of Lowell Street between Hudson Street and Albion Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 198648 (ID:11236) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes at the Ward 3 locations describe within.

March 26, 2015 14. Order By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang 198649 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Porter Street, (ID:11238) between Summer Street and Highland Avenue. **RESULT: APPROVED** 15. Order By Ald. McWatters That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if there is an adequate sight 198650 line for motorists turning left onto Central Street from Oxford Street. (ID:11237) **RESULT:** APPROVED **FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 16. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the street sign at Winslow and 198651 (ID:11239) College Avenues, including the Gordon Norman Square sign. **RESULT: APPROVED** 17. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sunken manhole cover at 198652 Winslow Avenue and Grove Street. (ID:11240) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

18. Order
198653
(ID:11241)
By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin
That the Director of SPCD report in writing to this Board and to the residents
of Cobble Hill, prior to this Board's next meeting, on the demolition and
construction at 90 Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin
 198654 That the Commissioner of Public Works clean and remove trash along lower
 (ID:11242) Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Order By Ald. McLaughlin
 198655 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk sign at the corner of Cross Street and Auburn Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order By Ald. McLaughlin
198656 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inform businesses of their responsibility to clean in front of their properties.

22. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198657 (ID:11245) That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the traffic signs on the corners of Gilman Terrace/Pearl Street and Pennsylvania/Indiana Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198658 (ID:11246) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light on Washington

Street near Cataldo Ambulance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198659

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the area surrounding 94 Broadway for

(ID:11247) rodents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

198660

Conveying a Boston University Student Project relative to Logan Airport and

(ID:11221) community impacts.

Alderman Rossetti expressed her excitement that a project at Boston College will focus around Somerville, assessing the relationship to noise exposure and sleep. She asked constituents to volunteer to help in this project.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

26. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

198661

Conveying a report of the first meeting of the SHS Construction Building

(ID:11222) Committee.

Alderman Rossetti discussed the details of the upcoming meetings.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 27. FINANCE COMMITTEE

(ID:11218)

A. Committee Report 198662 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on March 24, 2015, as a

port Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. President White and Alderman Niedergang were recused from #198616 through #198628.

B. Mayor's Request 198228 (ID:10661) Authorization to borrow \$300,000 and appropriate that amount in a bond for resignalization and an upgrade to the Powderhouse Square Rotary.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

C. Mayor's Request 198326 (ID:10888) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$8,400 from the Department of Environmental Protection for recycling.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Order 198354 (ID:10930) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the cost break down of last week's snow removal and de-icing and discuss the procedures for determining when to initiate snow removal and de-icing.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Mayor's Request 198415 (ID:10929) Requesting approval of an intradepartmental transfer of \$17,500 in the Health and Human Services Dept., from the Personal Services Account to the Professional and Technical Services Account, to cover Shape Up Somerville's contract with the Head to Fitness Program Coordinator through FY15.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 198520 (ID:11072) Requesting approval to extend a lease with Zipcar through 12/31/15 for 7 spaces in municipal lots.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Order 198580 (ID:11152) By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer explain public safety efforts in Assembly Square.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Mayor's Request 198594 (ID:11003) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totalling \$9,688.26 with FY15 funds in the Dept. of Public Works.

RESULT: APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 198595 (ID:11120) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$460,000 from the MA Cultural Facilities Fund for the Arts Council's ARTFarm development.

J. Officer's Communication 198601

Officer's Retirement Board notifying this Board of its intention to vote at a regular Communication meeting on a Cost of Living Adjustment for eligible retirees for 2015.

198601 (ID:11185)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

K. Mayor's Request 198615 (ID:11184) Requesting the appropriation of \$258,669 in unused bond funds to renovate the Kennedy School Playground.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 198616 (ID:11192) Requesting to appropriate \$500,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Tower per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 198617 (ID:11200) Requesting to appropriate \$450,945 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of Temple B'nai Brith per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 198618 (ID:11199) Requesting to appropriate \$243,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the rehabilitation of the historic windows at the Mystic Water Works per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 198619 (ID:11196) Requesting to appropriate \$200,000 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve and Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for design services for the rehabilitation of City Hall per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

P. Mayor's Request 198620 (ID:11193) Requesting to appropriate \$168,161 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of the Somerville Museum and the preservation of its collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Q. Mayor's Request 198621 (ID:11203) Requesting to appropriate \$85,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for design services for the rehabilitation of Prospect Hill Park per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

R. Mayor's Request 198622 (ID:11201) Requesting to appropriate \$52,090 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the design of the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

S. Mayor's Request 198623 (ID:11195) Requesting to appropriate \$48,360 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the rehabilitation of Milk Row Cemetery per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

T. Mayor's Request 198624 (ID:11204) Requesting to appropriate \$45,373 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the rehabilitation of eight school garden classrooms per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

U. Mayor's Request 198625 (ID:11202) Requesting to appropriate \$45,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space/Recreation Reserve for the Healey School to Mystic project per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

V. Mayor's Request 198626 (ID:11198) Requesting to appropriate \$44,982 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance for the preservation and rehabilitation of the stained glassed window at First Congregational Church of Somerville UCC per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

W. Mayor's Request 198627 (ID:11197) Requesting to appropriate \$43,000 from Undesignated CPA Fund Balance to preserve a portion of the City's permanent archives collections per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

#### RESULT: APPROVED

X. Mayor's Request 198628 (ID:11194) Requesting to appropriate \$7,500 from the CPA Fund Historic Resources Reserve for the preservation of the American Tube Works Complex through National Register of Historic Places Nomination per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

Y. Mayor's Request 198629 (ID:11136) Requesting an appropriation of \$100,575 from the Capital Stabilization Fund, to allow the Public Works Dept. to purchase trash and recycling barrels as well as benches.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantvne

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE 28.

Committee Α. Report 198663 (ID:11220) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 19, 2015, as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the 2015 local election calendar, and said that Newton filed a home rule petition to change their election date. Mr. Richmond from Brookline spoke about the bag reduction Ordinance there, and advised what mistakes were made so they are not made again. Alderman Rossetti also said the committee completed its work on the amendment to the snow ordinance.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Public

Communication 198462 (ID:11020)

Linda Siraco submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Public Communication ordinance.

> 198463 (ID:11021)

WORK COMPLETED RESULT:

D. Public

Communication

Rob Cheyne submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Kate Wheeler and David Guss submitting comments re: the snow removal

198464 (ID:11022)

E. Public **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Communication 198465

(ID:11023)

Karen Molloy submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Public

Communication 198466 (ID:11024)

Jennifer Grande submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Mark Gallagher submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. **Public** 

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Communication 198467 (ID:11025)

H. **Public** 

MaJa Kietzke submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.

Communication 198468 (ID:11026)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I.	Public	Kirsten Wesselhoeft submitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.		
19853	Communication 198535	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
(ID:11071) J. Public	Erica Voolich subm	nitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.		
Communicat 198536	Communication 198536	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
198537	,	Kevin Oliver submi	tting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
	Communication	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
L. Public	Public Communication		ori Segall submitting comments re: the snow removal	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
M. Public Commur 198539	Public	John Bunzick subm	itting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
	Communication 198539	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
NI	(ID:11109)	Date Characteristics		
N. Public Communicat 198540	Communication 198540	RESULT:	ting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.  WORK COMPLETED	
O.	(ID:11115) Public	Ioo I yaah suhmittii	ng comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
O.	Communication 198555	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
P.	(ID:11121) Public	Elizabeth Levy sub	mitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
1.	Communication 198556	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
Q.	Communication 198557	Allison Stieber sub	mitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
R. Public Commi 198612	(ID:11123)	Mary Mangan subn	nitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
	Communication	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
	(ID:11132)			
S.	Public Communication 198613 (ID:11133)	Brendan Kearney su	ubmitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
T.	Public	Leonard Tower sub	mitting comments re: the snow removal ordinance.	
	Communication 198614	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
	(ID:11135)			

U. Order 198664 (ID:11216) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Clerk inform the Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets and East Somerville Main Streets of the proposed plastic bag ordinance (#198251).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 29. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198665 (ID:11219) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 26, 2015, as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including the 2015 local election calendar. She said the committee completed its work on the amendment to the snow ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 198318 (ID:10890) By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston, Niedergang, Lafuente, Ballantyne That this Board discuss an amendment to the Snow Ordinance as it relates to the time frame for clearing sidewalks following a storm.

The Board approved a revised Snow Removal Ordinance submitted in #198708.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

C. Mayor's Request 198634 (ID:11190) Requesting approval of the attached 2015 local election calendar.

The Board approved the revised Calendar submitted 3/26/15.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 30. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198666 (ID:11217) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on March 25, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He mentioned that the Cambridge Health Alliance spoke about current and future plans, and details on the community health center Alderman Neidergang discussed the Engine 3 Fire Station, which is in such bad condition that they have moved out and Union Square has no Fire Station. This item was not discussed in committee, as the Chief and Deputy Chief were note able to attend. Alderman Connolly emphasized the importance of this matter.

B. Resolution 194939

By Ald. Desmond, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Bastardi, Taylor, Lafuente, O'Keefe, Gewirtz, Trane

(ID:7422)

That this Board requests that the Cambridge Health Alliance cease, or shelve, its proposed consolidation plan until they convene stakeholders to discuss how best to meet the challenges of an ever changing health care landscape, while meeting the needs of our community.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

C. Resolution

By Ald. McLaughlin

197962 (ID:10559) That the Administration and NSTAR provide this Board with an update regarding the numerous blackouts in East Somerville and the surrounding neighborhoods.

#### WORK COMPLETED RESULT:

D. Officer's Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.

198256 (ID:10722)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 198383 (ID:10953) By Ald. Connolly, McWatters

That the Director of SPCD dispatch the NIT team to inspect 135 Lowell Street for building, health and/or zoning code violations.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

F. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198579 (ID:11151) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Rent a Center store on Broadway for trash and other violations.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 198582 By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:11154)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for possible chemical spills.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Order By Ald. Heuston

198667 (ID:11282) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) perform weekly inspections of the Rent-a-

Center store on Broadway for trash and other violations.

#### **RESULT: APPROVED**

I. Order 198668 By Ald. Connolly

(ID:11283)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) perform weekly inspections of Walnut Street between Medford and Pearl Streets for any signs of a chemical spill.

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

31. Mayor's Request 198669 (ID:11230) Requesting approval of the 2015-2016 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG programming.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 31 and 32 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 198670 (ID:11209) Requesting to pay outstanding FY14 invoices totalling \$9,438.42 in the Traffic and Parking Department.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

33. Mayor's Request 198671 (ID:11251) Requesting the acceptance of a reimbursement of \$169,736 from MassDOT for the Public Works Department through the Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program, for repairs to roads due to winter damage.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Mayor's Request 198672 (ID:11250) Requesting approval to create a Tufts University Consolidated Gift Account.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 34 through 36 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

35. Mayor's Request 198673 (ID:11249) Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$75,000 from Tufts University for educational, recreational, or cultural purposes.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 198674 (ID:11215) Requesting approval to declare as surplus 3 vehicles in the Fire Department.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

37. Mayor's Request 198675 (ID:11254) Requesting the reappointment of Ed Bean to the position of City Auditor.

Alderman Heuston informed the Board that if anyone would like the opportunity to ask questions regarding any appointment, she will honor those requests to send the matter to committee.

38. Mayor's Request 198676 (ID:11255) Requesting the confirmation of the appointment of Jamie Lefkowitz to the Conservation Commission.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 38 and refer it to the Committee of Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

39. Officer's Communication 198677

(ID:11188)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/26/15.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 39and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### **NEW BUSINESS**

40. 198678

(ID:11264)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Assembly Row Spring Bunny Hop, Artisan Way, Mar 28, 8:30AM-1PM (raindate Mar 29).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 40 through 55 and approve items 40 through 54, and send item 55 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

41. License/Permit 198679

Public Event Permit, Tufts Cycling Team Bike Race, Tufts campus area, Mar 29, 6:30AM-6:30PM.

(ID:11265)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

42. License/Permit 198680

Public Event Permit, St. Benedict Good Friday Passion Re-enactment, St. Benedict area, Apr 3, 5-6PM.

(ID:11266)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 43. 198681

Public Event Permit, Connexion Easter Egg Hunt, Chuckie Harris Park, Apr 4, Noon-4PM.

(ID:11267)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

44. 198682

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Mayor's Spring Clean Up, Boat House and citywide, Apr 25, 9AM-3PM (raindate Apr 26).

(ID:11268)

45.	License/Permit 198683 (ID:11269)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition Street Store, Davis Sq 7 Hills Park, Apr 26, 10:30AM-3:30PM (raindate May 3).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
	Withdrawn 198684 (ID:11270)	Withdrawn.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
1	198685	Public Event Per 7AM-2PM.	mit, Union Sq Farmers Market, Saturdays May 16-Nov 21,	
	(ID:11271)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
48. License/Permit 198686 (ID:11272)	Public Event Per (raindate May 17	mit, Arts Council Porchfest, Citywide, May 16, Noon-6PM		
	(ID:11272)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
198	198687	Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, HS Concourse and area, May 17, Noon-4:30PM.		
	(ID:11273)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
1986	License/Permit 198688	Public Event Permit, Davis Sq Farmers Market, Herbet St Lot, Wednesdays May 20-Nov 25, 9:30AM-7PM.		
	(ID:11274)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
51. License/Permit 198689 (ID:11275)		Public Event Per	mit, Lake St Block Party, Jun 6, 9AM-7PM.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	License/Permit 198690 (ID:11276)	Public Event Permit, Assembly Farmers Market, Sundays Jun 7-Oct 25, 8:30AM-3:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
53. License/Perr 198691 (ID:11277)		Public Event Per Field, Sep 13, 7A	mit, Somerville Foundation for Animals Dog Fest, Trum	
	(ID:11277)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
54.	License/Permit 198692 (ID:11258)	•	or Seating License, Blue Shirt Cafe, 424 Highland Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

55. 198693

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Brooklyn Boulders, 12A Tyler St., Opening until 2AM on selected dates.

(ID:11260)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

56. Public Rep. Provost submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198694 (ID:11256)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 56 through 60 and refer them to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

57. **Public**  Nancy Donahue submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198695 (ID:11210)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

58. Public KImberly Rego submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198696 (ID:11211)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE Land Use Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

59. Public Bill Valletta submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198697 (ID:11214)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

60. **Public**  Cecil Cummings submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198698 (ID:11257)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** Land Use Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

61. Resolution 198699 (ID:11259)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Connolly, and the Entire Board That Katherine Cremin appear before this Board to provide an update on the Deanna Cremin case.

Alderman Connolly said today would be the 37th birthday of Deanna Cremin who was strangled 20 years ago on March 30th. Alderman McLaughlin said the entire community is still looking for answers. Katherine Cremin, Deanna's mother, said she wants updates to the murder of her daughter but there are no updates. She thanked the Mayor and the City for increasing the reward for the capture her daughter's murderer from \$20,000 to \$70,000. President White held a moment of silence for Deanna.

62. Order 198700 (ID:11261) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works install two new trash receptacles in front of 122 and 128 Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

63. Order 198701 (ID:11262) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that street cleaning is being performed on Glen Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Resolution 198702 (ID:11263)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the State Delegation secure the funding and achieve the installation of sound proof barriers along I-93, which would curb fine particle pollution.

Alderman McLaughlin reported a serious health problem and the need for sound barriers along 1-93 to help with the noise and most importantly the pollution particles. Alderman Sullivan expressed his frustration regarding this barrier not being completed, and the danger of the current conditions in the area. Alderman Gewirtz stated it may have been included in a bond bill but at the State level it needs the attention of the administration. Alderman Connolly discussed a study that showed cancer and various diseases around 1-93 are at extremely high levels.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

65. Order 198703 (ID:11278) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety on present and future fire station locations as well as other matters before the Committee.

Alderman Connolly stated the need for the Fire Chief and staff be present to discuss present and future locations, response times, and conditions of stations and equipment. Public safety is the main concern and this has been delayed too often. The replacement of Engine 3 Station will be addressed. Alderman Heuston remarked this is a huge liability for public safety. She requested the Fire Chief submit information to the Board prior to the meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

66. Order 198704 (ID:11281) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) advise by zoning district (i.e. NR, UR, 3MU) the increase in housing density (e.g. RA & RB change into NR), what is the increase in housing units in the proposed new zoning districts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

67. Mayor's Request 198705 (ID:11284) Requesting the reappointment of William Roche as Director of Personnel.

Alderman Niedergang discussed this reappointment, including current positions which have not been filled for over a year. Aldermen discussed his service and said there was no need for review of this reappointment. Alderman Heuston said the Confirmation of Appointments Committee cannot be a rubber stamp, and if members have questions, the Committee should take them up.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

68. License/Permit 198706 (ID:11279)

Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition 5K Road Race, Ceremony, and Banner, Davis Sq area, Oct 3, 6:30AM-1PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### LATE ITEMS

69. Order 198707 (ID:11288) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Rossetti

That the Director of SPCD consider a 2nd written comment period for the new zoning proposal to allow for additional citizen input.

Alderman Heuston spoke about the constituents' concern that there was not enough time for their input. She requested the City Solicitor weigh in on a second public comment period. President White commented that due to State law, the date given at the public hearing when the record is closed cannot be revisited, but there will be an opportunity for an additional public hearing at the Land Use Committee. He added that the Board will not be rushed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

70. License/Permit 197846 (ID:10397)

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Wizard Catering.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED AMENDED: Approved for two locations only:

- 1. Revolution Drive at the Home Depot, and
- 2. Grand Union Boulevard at Artisan Way.

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

71. License/Permit 198533 (ID:11108)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Instacar, 38 Medford St.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED AMENDED: Approved for 4 cars outside only.

72. Officer's Request 198708 (ID:11205)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting amendments to Ordinances 12-8(a) and 1-11(b) re: snow removal, per the 3/26/15 Legislative Matters Committee meeting.

See #198318 for discussion.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [10 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

Rossetti NAYS:

73. Order By Ald. McWatters

198709 (ID:11286) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Berkeley

Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

74. Order By Ald. Heuston

198710 (ID:11289) That the Commissioner of Public Works address a potential sink hole at 44-46

Park Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

75. Order By Ald. Heuston

198711 (ID:11292) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Washington Street from Beacon Street to Webster Avenue, and on Properzi Way from

Beacon Street to Village Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

76. Officer's 198712

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #198429, requesting Communication adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance to supersede the current Zoning Ordinance as originally adopted on March 23, 1990.

(ID:11287)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

77. Officer's 198713

Planning Board conveying its recommendation re: #198275, a proposed zoning Communication amendment to require certain findings by the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals before granting Special Permits.

(ID:11290)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

78. Officer's Communication 198714 (ID:11291)

Planning Board conveying its recommendation re: #198276, a proposed zoning amendment to limit the gross floor area increase to 15% for 1 and 2 family dwelling conversions requiring a Special Permit.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee 79. Public

Ellin Reisner submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198715 (ID:11285)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 198716 (ID:11424) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Rossetti held a moment of silence for Therese Splaine.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198717 (ID:11425) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 12, 2016.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198718 (ID:11461)

By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Argenziano School Future Cities Club for creating the Best Educational System at the New England Regional Future Cities Competition.

Alderman Heuston presented awards to 11 7th and 8th grade students who competed at a Northeast University design challenge. The students researched and engineered a sustainable agriculture for their future city. Teacher Michael Coughlin was also recognized.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 198719 (ID:11426) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) for 411 feet of conduit in School Street from Madison Street to a new manhole at the MBTA bridge, and 96 feet of conduit in School Street from Richdale Avenue to another new manhole at the MBTA bridge.

President White opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with NStar Electric spoke on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Order By Ald. Heuston

198720 (ID:11433) That the Commissioner of Public Works clean Perry Park and Quincy Park by raking the grass and ground cover, landscaping, and repairing any damaged fencing, furniture and play equipment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Order By Ald. Heuston

198721 (ID:11434) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pot holes on Properzi Way from Beacon Street to Village Street, and on Washington Street from Beacon

Street to Webster Avenue. (2nd Request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Order By Ald. Heuston

198722 (ID:11435) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install solar flashing lights on the STOP sign at Newton Street and Webster Avenue, and on the PEDESTRIAN

CROSSING sign at Washington Street and Hawkins Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Order By Ald. Heuston

198723

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the roadway depressions at 50

(ID:11436) Park Street and 46 Medford Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order By Ald. Heuston

198724

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the catch basins on Dane

(ID:11437) Avenue and lower Somerville Avenue, from Prospect Street to McGrath Highway.

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

198725 (ID:11438) That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the status of Mass DOT work on McGrath Highway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 198726 (ID:11439) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

The Directors of Traffic and Parking and SPCD inform this Board of the notification plans to residents, property owners and businesses, regarding changes to the parking regulations along Medford Street in conjunction with the Mass DOT McGrath Highway project.

Alderman Heuston has a concern that DOT needs to keep the public informed of this work, as it can impact neighborhoods and businesses.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Order 198727 (ID:11440) By Ald. McWatters

That the Neighborhood Impact Team inspect 7 Craigie Street for building and health code violations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Order 198728 (ID:11441) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Chief Fire Engineer inspect the Arias gas station at Somerville Avenue and Craigie Street for debris, old tires and improperly stored items in the rear of the building, and direct the owner to remove furniture from the roof.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order 198729 (ID:11442) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk on Warren Avenue from Properzi Manor to Citizen's Bank.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

15. Order 198730 (ID:11443) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pot holes on Lowell Street between Highland Avenue and Albion Street, including around the gas cap at Hudson Street, and at 235 Lowell Street.

198731 (ID:11444) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair and clear the leaves and garbage that are blocking the two storm drains at the elbow of Aberdeen Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198732 (ID:11445) That the Director of Personnel report to this Board on hiring the Director and Assistant Director of Engineering, with the likely timeline for having people in

place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order 198733

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:11446)

That the Director of Personnel report to this Board on hiring the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure and the Senior Transportation Planner, with the likely timeline for having people in place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198734 (ID:11447) That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-stripe the crosswalks at all the intersections in Magoun Square on Medford Street from Partridge Avenue through Broadway and also the crosswalk on Lowell Street at the intersection with Medford Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198735 (ID:11448) That the Director of SPCD (Green Infrastructure Planner) replace those trees in Magoun Square that are dead or dying, particularly at the New England

Science Fiction Association building.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 198736

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:11449)

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment update this Board on the progress of the Curbside Composting Task Force toward developing a citywide composting program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Environment and Energy Special Committee

22. Resolution 198737 (ID:11450)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Sullivan, Rossetti, Heuston, Gewirtz, McWatters, Lafuente, White Jr.

Supporting Tufts University's contracted custodial staff.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the planned layoffs of custodial workers at Tufts. He sponsored custodial worker Idilida Colone and student Cynthia Garra to speak. They both talked about the negative impact of these layoffs on the campus and the community. Discussion ensued about Tufts' \$1.6 billion endowment. Alderman McLaughlin stated he is a graduate of Tufts and a child of a custodial worker, who if laid off, would not have been able to offer a supportive home environment. Alderman Gewirtz urged preserving jobs and fighting for low wage workers. Alderman Ballantyne commented how the administration cannot preserve these jobs, which have a small impact on their bottom line, but a large impact for the workers and their families. Alderman Rossetti mentioned an outstanding order asking how many times police and fire have responded to and serviced the University. Alderman Heuston commented how Tufts is funding tuition for immigrants, while destroying workers lives. Alderman McWatters feels the administration should support the working class and unions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Order 198738 (ID:11451)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Chief of Police advise this Board on the Deanna Cremin murder investigation and appear at a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety to discuss details, where appropriate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

24. Resolution 198739 (ID:11452) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Middlesex County District Attorney advise this Board of the status of the Deanna Cremin murder investigation and attend a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety to update members where appropriate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

25. Order 198740 (ID:11453) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels around the trees at 16 and 36 Ware Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 198741 (ID:11454) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Communications record and post to the city's website, all public hearings.

By Ald. Ballantyne

198742

That the Director of Recreation update this Board's Committee on Youth

(ID:11455) S

Services on the 100 day plan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

28. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198743 (ID:11456) That the Director of Recreation provide this Board with the number girls and

boys served for FY15, and the outreach effort for each.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

29. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198744

That the Commissioner of Public Works return the solar trash bin at 1188

(ID:11457)

Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

198745

Conveying comments on the proposed zoning ordinance.

(ID:11317)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 31. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on March 30, 2015.

on March 50, 2015.

198746 (ID:11458)

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated the meeting covered the timeline and concerns of the zoning.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### 32. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198747

(ID:11459)

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on April 7, 2015

on April 7, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was a presentation by Mr. Proakis, Planning Director, comparing old zoning to new zoning and how to proceed.

B. Order 198748 (ID:11506) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of SPCD report to the Committee on Land Use a comparison of permits issued from October 2013 to April 2014 vs. October 2014 to April 2015, prior to the Committee's next meeting on 4/15/15.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

# 33. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 2, 2015.

Report 198749 (ID:11460)

AMENDED: #198544 was Placed on File, replaced by #198776 (Agenda #60).

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the proposed plastic bag reduction ordinance. She gave an update on the anti-nepotism ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

B. Mayor's Request 198544 (ID:11110) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition to establish a Project Mitigation Contribution (linkage) program and establish a Job Creation and Retention Trust.

Alderman Rossetti requested approval of this home rule petition, as replaced by #198776 (Agenda #60).

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

34. Mayor's Request 198750 (ID:11297) Requesting an adjustment to the property exemption for seniors with respect to income and asset limits under MGL c59 s5(41C).

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 34 through 39 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

35. Mayor's Request 198751 (ID:11299) Requesting an adjustment to income limits with respect to the senior work off program under MGL c59 s5 (5K).

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 198752 (ID:11487) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$603,998 in a bond for an Information Technology Virtualization Project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

37. Mayor's Request 198753 (ID:11326) Requesting an appropriation of \$27,500 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of an Olympian Ice Resurfacer to replace a non-functioning Zamboni.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

38. Mayor's Request 198754 (ID:11295) Requesting the use of \$177 in available funds from the Health and Human Services Salaries Account for the new Shape Up Somerville Director salary.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 198755 (ID:11294) Requesting approval for the Personnel Dept. to use FY15 funds to pay a FY14 invoice of \$1,192.06.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

40. Mayor's Request 198756 (ID:11432) Requesting the appointment of Lieutenant Brian O'Donovan as Fire Captain.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 40 through 58 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

41. Mayor's Request 198757 (ID:11427) Requesting the appointment of Richard Lavey Jr. as Police Lieutenant.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

42. Mayor's Request 198758 (ID:11428) Requesting the appointment of Joseph McCain as Police Lieutenant.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

43. Mayor's Request 198759 (ID:11429) Requesting the appointment of Jeffrey DiGregorio as Police Lieutenant.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

44. Mayor's Request 198760 (ID:11430) Requesting the appointment of Diogo DeOliveira as Police Sergeant.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

45. Mayor's Request 198761 (ID:11431) Requesting the appointment of Salvatore Fusco, Jr. as Police Sergeant.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

46. Mayor's Request 198762 (ID:11303) Requesting the appointment of Diane Prophete as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

47. Mayor's Request 198763 (ID:11304) Requesting the appointment of Orlando Jacquet as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

48. Mayor's Request 198764 (ID:11305) Requesting the appointment of George D'Amelio as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

49. Mayor's Request 198765 (ID:11306) Requesting the appointment of Christopher Fusco as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

50. Mayor's Request 198766 (ID:11307) Requesting the appointment of Christine Lyons as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

51. Withdrawn 198767 (ID:11308) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

52. Mayor's Request 198768 (ID:11309) Requesting the appointment of Ana Fernandes as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

53. Mayor's Request 198769 (ID:11311) Requesting the appointment of Kevin Goulet as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

54. Mayor's Request 198770 (ID:11312) Requesting the appointment of Eric O'Brien as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

55. Mayor's Request 198771 (ID:11313) Requesting the appointment of Courtney Reece as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

56. Mayor's Request 198772 (ID:11482) Requesting the appointment of James Rooney as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

57. Mayor's Request 198773 (ID:11483) Requesting the appointment of Robert Ankenbauer as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

58. Mayor's Request 198774 (ID:11484) Requesting the appointment of Bruce Campbell as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

59. Mayor's Communication 198775 (ID:11497)

Mayor's Conveying the veto of #197846, a Mobile Food Vendor license issued to Communication Wizard Catering on 3/26/15.

Alderman Sullivan stated he does not feel there will be any competition between this vendor and the established restaurants in the area.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

60. Officer's Request 198776 (ID:11302)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting a Job Linkage Program and Trust Home Rule Petition as approved by the Committee on Legislative Matters on 4/2/15.

See #198544 (Agenda #60) for discussion of this item.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

Officer's 61.

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #198641 re: a legal opinion of the city's Communication requirements for unrelated adults residing in a dwelling unit.

198777 (ID:11293)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

62. Officer's Communication 198778 (ID:11280)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/12/15.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 62 through 64, Place them on File, and forward them to the appropriate Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

63. Officer's Communication submitted 3/26/15.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

198779 (ID:11301)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

64. Officer's Communication submitted 3/12/15.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

198780 (ID:11300)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

65. 198781

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Independent Film Festival of Boston, Davis Sq., April 22-

(ID:11462)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 65 through 188 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

66. 198782 (ID:11463)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Taza Chocolate Cinco de Mayo Party, 561 Windsor St., May 2, 10AM-8PM (raindate May 3).

67. License/Permit Public Event Permit, ArtsUnion Free Verse, Union Square Plaza, May 2, 9, 17, 198783 1:30-8:30PM (raindates May 3, 10, 23). (ID:11492) RESULT: APPROVED 68. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Office of Commissions International Family Equality 198784 Day, Davis Square 7 Hills Park, May 3, Noon-7PM (raindate May 10). (ID:11493) **RESULT: APPROVED** 69. License/Permit Public Event Permit, St. Benedict Parish Marion Parade, Arlington Street area, 198785 May 10, 10:15-11:15AM. (ID:11464) **RESULT: APPROVED** 70. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Bicycle Committee Rush Hour Race, Union Square 198786 Plaza, May 12, 4:30-9PM (raindate May 13). (ID:11485) **RESULT: APPROVED** 71. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Josephine Avenue Block Party, Kidder Ave to Broadway, 198787 May 16, Noon-7PM (raindate May 17). (ID:11494) **RESULT:** APPROVED 72. License/Permit Public Event Permit, ArtsUnion Dance Museum, Union Square Plaza and sidewalk at 22 Union Square, May 30, 4-7:30PM (raindate May 31). 198788 (ID:11495) **RESULT: APPROVED** 73. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Wallace Street Block Party, May 31, 1-9PM (raindate Jun 198789 7). (ID:11496) **RESULT:** APPROVED 74. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Squeezebox Slam, Davis Square 7 Hills 198790 Park, Jun 13, 10AM-7PM. (ID:11465) **RESULT:** APPROVED 75. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Joe's Jazz and Blues Fest, Powderhouse 198791 Park, Jun 20, 10AM-7PM (raindate Jun 21). (ID:11466) **RESULT:** APPROVED 76. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Day of Purtugal Parade, Concord Square, Jun 21, Noon-198792 4PM. (ID:11467)

**APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

77.	198793	Public Event Pern 8PM (raindates Ju	nit, ArtBeat, Davis Square, Jul 17 Noon-10PM, Jul 18 8AM- ıl 18-19).
	(ID:11468)	RESULT:	APPROVED
78.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, PT Kelley.
	198794 (ID:11478)	RESULT:	APPROVED
79.	79. License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, J Derenzo.
	198795 (ID:11479)	RESULT:	APPROVED
80.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, LM Heavy Civil Construction.
	198796 (ID:11486)	RESULT:	APPROVED
81.		Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, FE French Construction.
	198797 (ID:11327)	RESULT:	APPROVED
82.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Baystate Engineering.
	198798 (ID:11328)	RESULT:	APPROVED
83.		Renewing 2014 D	Orainlayer's License, Baystate Engineering.
	198799 (ID:11329)	RESULT:	APPROVED
84.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, G Greene Construction.
	198800 (ID:11330)	RESULT:	APPROVED
85.		Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, Caruso Corp.
	198801 (ID:11331)	RESULT:	APPROVED
86.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, JNJ Sacca.
	198802 (ID:11332)	RESULT:	APPROVED
87.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Manafort Brothers.
	198803 (ID:11333)	RESULT:	APPROVED
88.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, D Muzzioli Associates.
	198804 (ID:11334)	RESULT:	APPROVED

89.		Renewing Drainlayer's License, Tim Zanelli Excavating.
	198805 (ID:11335)	RESULT: APPROVED
90.		Renewing Drainlayer's License, Your Space Landscape and Construction.
	198806 (ID:11336)	RESULT: APPROVED
91.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, RM Pacella.
	198807 (ID:11337)	RESULT: APPROVED
92.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Vanaria Brothers.
	198808 (ID:11338)	RESULT: APPROVED
93.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Ferrante Construction.
	198809 (ID:11339)	RESULT: APPROVED
94.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Borges Sewer and Drain.
	198810 (ID:11340)	RESULT: APPROVED
95.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, James W Flett.
	198811 (ID:11341)	RESULT: APPROVED
96.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Rap General Contracting.
	198812 (ID:11342)	RESULT: APPROVED
97.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, AP Flowers and Son.
	198813 (ID:11343)	RESULT: APPROVED
98.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, MJ Scully and Co.
	198814 (ID:11344)	RESULT: APPROVED
99.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Hydra Tech.
	198815 (ID:11345)	RESULT: APPROVED
100.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Anchor Excavating.
	198816 (ID:11346)	RESULT: APPROVED

101.		Renewing Drainlayer's License, Gallup Landscape.
	198817 (ID:11347)	RESULT: APPROVED
102.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Caruso and McGovern Construction.
	198818 (ID:11348)	RESULT: APPROVED
102		Denoving Dusinlavar's License ED Detendiend Cons
103.	198819	Renewing Drainlayer's License, EB Rotondi and Sons.  RESULT: APPROVED
	(ID:11349)	
104.	License/Permit 198820	Renewing Flammables License, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.
	(ID:11350)	RESULT: APPROVED
105.		Renewing Flammables License, MS Walker, 20 Third Ave.
	198821 (ID:11351)	RESULT: APPROVED
106.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St.
100.	198822 (ID:11352)	RESULT: APPROVED
107.	License/Permit 198823	Renewing Flammables License, Mobil Mart Plus, 379 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
	(ID:11353)	RESULT: APPROVED
108.		Renewing Flammables License, Hillside Auto Repair, 583 Broadway.
	198824 (ID:11354)	RESULT: APPROVED
109.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Nissenbaum's Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.
	198825 (ID:11355)	RESULT: APPROVED
110	,	
110.	198826	Renewing Flammables License, Winter Hill Yacht Club, 85 Foley St.  RESULT: APPROVED
	(ID:11356)	RESULT. ATTROVED
111.	License/Permit 198827	Renewing Flammables License, Trum Field Sunoco, 541 Broadway.
	(ID:11357)	RESULT: APPROVED
112.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Broadway Sunoco, 258 Broadway.
	198828 (ID:11358)	RESULT: APPROVED
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113.		Renewing Flammables License, Herb Chambers, 259 McGrath Hwy.
	198829 (ID:11473)	RESULT: APPROVED
114.	198830	Renewing Flammables License, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
	(ID:11474)	RESULT: APPROVED
115.		Renewing Flammables License, Lub-o-Line, 9 Florence St. (#849)
	198831 (ID:11475)	RESULT: APPROVED
116.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Lub-o-Line, 9 Florence St. (#529)
	198832 (ID:11476)	RESULT: APPROVED
117.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, AL Prime Energy, 73 Summer St.
	198833 (ID:11477)	RESULT: APPROVED
118.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.
	198834 (ID:11359)	RESULT: APPROVED
119.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Cataldo Ambulance Service, 4 Joy St.
	198835 (ID:11360)	RESULT: APPROVED
120.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Body, 48 Joy St.
	198836 (ID:11361)	RESULT: APPROVED
121.		Renewing Garage License, PMD Group, 385 Broadway.
121.	198837 (ID:11363)	RESULT: APPROVED
122.	,	Renewing Garage License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St.
122.	198838 (ID:11364)	RESULT: APPROVED
122		Denoving Course License Area Tire and Service 16 Clerendon Ave
123.	198839	Renewing Garage License, Arco Tire and Service, 16 Clarendon Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
	(ID:11365)	
124.	198840	Renewing Garage License, Mac's Auto Body, 53 Russell St.  RESULT: APPROVED
	(ID:11366)	ALDOLI, MIROTED

125.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Place.
	(ID:11367)	RESULT: APPROVED
126.		Renewing Garage License, FW Russell and Sons, 120 McGrath Hwy.
	198842 (ID:11368)	RESULT: APPROVED
127.		Renewing Garage License, Broadway Sunoco, 258 Broadway.
	198843 (ID:11369)	RESULT: APPROVED
128.		Renewing Garage License, Drain Doctor, 612 Broadway.
	198844 (ID:11370)	RESULT: APPROVED
129.		Renewing Garage License, Nippon Express, 30 Inner Belt Rd.
	198845 (ID:11371)	RESULT: APPROVED
130.		Renewing Garage License, Triumvirate Environmental, 191 Inner Belt Rd.
	198846 (ID:11372)	RESULT: APPROVED
131.		Renewing Garage License, Don's Automotive, 25 Cutter St.
	198847 (ID:11373)	RESULT: APPROVED
132.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Tracer Technologies, 20 Assembly Square Dr.
	198848 (ID:11374)	RESULT: APPROVED
133.		Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 64 Webster Ave.
	198849 (ID:11375)	RESULT: APPROVED
134.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 69 Webster Ave.
	198850 (ID:11376)	RESULT: APPROVED
135.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Unlimited Auto Body, 471 Somerville Ave.
	198851 (ID:11377)	RESULT: APPROVED
136.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Junior Auto Body, 486R Columbia St.
	198852 (ID:11378)	RESULT: APPROVED

137.	License/Permit 198853	Renewing 2014 Garage License, Junior Auto Body, 486R Columbia St.
	(ID:11379)	RESULT: APPROVED
138.	License/Permit 198854	Renewing Garage License, Reilly's Garage, 61 Washington St.
	(ID:11380)	RESULT: APPROVED
139.		Renewing Garage License, Leins Auto Repair, 69 Bow St.
	198855 (ID:11381)	RESULT: APPROVED
140.		Renewing Garage License, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect St.
	198856 (ID:11382)	RESULT: APPROVED
141.		Renewing Garage License, Barnes and Walsh, 224 Somerville Ave.
	198857 (ID:11383)	RESULT: APPROVED
142.		Renewing Garage License, Century Tire, 263 Beacon St.
	198858 (ID:11384)	RESULT: APPROVED
143.		Renewing Garage License, Modern Floors, 22 Marshall St.
	198859 (ID:11385)	RESULT: APPROVED
144.		Renewing Garage License, Metro Auto Repair, 47 Webster Ave.
	198860 (ID:11386)	RESULT: APPROVED
145.		Renewing Garage License, GE Auto Repair, 631 Somerville Ave.
	198861 (ID:11387)	RESULT: APPROVED
146.		Renewing Garage License, Herb Chambers, 71 Linwood St.
	198862 (ID:11469)	RESULT: APPROVED
147.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Herb Chambers, 259 McGrath Hwy.
	198863 (ID:11470)	RESULT: APPROVED
148.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Original Auto Body and Mechanic, 12 Joy St.
	198864 (ID:11471)	RESULT: APPROVED

198865		Renewing Garage Pkwy.	License, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook
	(ID:11472)	RESULT:	APPROVED
150.		Renewing Garage	License, PJ's Auto Sales, 161 Broadway.
	198866 (ID:11490)	RESULT:	APPROVED
151.		Renewing Garage	License, Inman Collision Center, 45 Webster Ave.
	198867 (ID:11489)	RESULT:	APPROVED
152.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Enterprise Rent-a-Car, 37 Mystic Ave.
	(ID:11491)	RESULT:	APPROVED
153.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, ODJ Taxi, Med #1.
	198869 (ID:11397)	RESULT:	APPROVED
154.	198870	Renewing Taxi M #3,4,5,46.	edallion License, Country Club Transportation, Med
	(ID:11398)	RESULT:	APPROVED
155.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Lee Taxi, Med #8,9,10,11,12,13.
	198871 (ID:11399)	RESULT:	APPROVED
156.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, ZH Inc., Med #14,16,63.
	198872 (ID:11400)	RESULT:	APPROVED
157.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Yung Cab, Med #15.
	198873 (ID:11401)	RESULT:	APPROVED
158.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Bibi's Cab, Med #20.
	198874 (ID:11402)	RESULT:	APPROVED
159.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Lochmere Taxi, Med #23,24,25,26,79,91.
	198875 (ID:11403)	RESULT:	APPROVED
160.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Loch Ness Taxi, Med #27,67,68.
	198876 (ID:11404)	RESULT:	APPROVED

161.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Stone Transportation, Med #28,30,31,32.
	198877 (ID:11405)	RESULT:	APPROVED
198878		Renewing Taxi Me #33,34,35,36,37,38	edallion License, Somerville Yellow Cab, Med 8.
	(ID:11406)	RESULT:	APPROVED
163.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Mt. Pleasant Taxi, Med #39,40,41,42,43.
	198879 (ID:11407)	RESULT:	APPROVED
164.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Cinema Taxi, Med #44,47,85.
	198880 (ID:11408)	RESULT:	APPROVED
165.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, SJP Taxi, Med #45.
	198881 (ID:11409)	RESULT:	APPROVED
166.	198882	Renewing Taxi Me #49,50,62,89.	edallion License, Ormond Transportation, Med
	(ID:11410)	RESULT:	APPROVED
167.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Silcor Transportation, Med #51,52,77,93.
	198883 (ID:11411)	RESULT:	APPROVED
168.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Sullivan Square Cab, Med #53,54.
	198884 (ID:11412)	RESULT:	APPROVED
169.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Talkd Transportation, Med #55.
	198885 (ID:11413)	RESULT:	APPROVED
170.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, God's Blessing Cab, Med #60.
	198886 (ID:11414)	RESULT:	APPROVED
171.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Alewife Transportation, Med #65,69,80.
	198887 (ID:11415)	RESULT:	APPROVED
172.		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Somerville Taxi, Med #66.
	198888 (ID:11416)	RESULT:	APPROVED

		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Somerville Transportation, Med #70,71.
19888 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
	174. License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Eastern Transportation, Med #73,87,90.
19889 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
		Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Jeko Cab, Med #78.
19889 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
176. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Ike Inc., Med #81,84.
19889 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
177. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Honey Cab, Med #82.
19889 (ID:11	_	RESULT:	APPROVED
178. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Silva Cab, Med #83.
19889 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
179. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Michael Cab, Med #88.
19889 (ID:11		RESULT:	APPROVED
180. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Atlas Metals, 475 Columbia St.
198896 (ID:11388)		RESULT:	APPROVED
19889	7	Renewing Junk De St.	aler's License, Joseph Talewsky Enterprises, 508 Columbia
(ID:11	(ID:11389)	RESULT:	APPROVED
182. Licens	se/Permit	Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.
	198898 (ID:11390)	RESULT:	APPROVED
		Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Buffalo Exchange, 238 Elm St.
	198899 (ID:11391)	RESULT:	APPROVED
	License/Permit 198900	Renewing Outdoor McGrath Hwy.	Parking License, FW Russell and Sons Disposal, 120
(ID:11392)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

185. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Martha Lee Trust, 147 Highland Ave.

198901 (ID:11393)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

186. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Parking License, NIssenbaum's Auto Parts, 480 Columbia 198902 St.

(ID:11394)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

187. License/Permit Renewing Mobile Food Vendor License, Tenoch Mexican Food.

198903 (ID:11395)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

188. License/Permit Renewing Mobile Food Vendor License, Scoop N Scootery.

198904 (ID:11396)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

189. Public CPC-T Holdings LLC requesting that this Board discontinue Cross Street East Communication from Pennsylvania Avenue to Mystic Avenue.

Communicat 198905 (ID:11480)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

190. Public State Representative Denise Provost submitting comments re: the proposed Communication zoning ordinance.

198906

(ID:11323)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 190 through 200, Place them on File, and forward them to the Land Use Committee.

There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

191. Public Aron Qasba submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198907 (ID:11314)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

192. Public The Innovative Housing Institute submitting comments re: the proposed zoning Communication ordinance.

198908

(ID:11315) RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
FOLLOWIP: Land Use Committee

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

193. Public Jill Maio submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198909 (ID:11316)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

194. Public

Communication 198910

Andrew Walker submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

(ID:11318)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

195. Public Charles McKenzie submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198911 (ID:11319)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE Land Use Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

196. **Public**  Claudia Murrow submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198912 (ID:11320)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

197. Public Communication zoning ordinance.

Lucas Rogers and Mathieu Gagne submitting comments re: the proposed

198913 (ID:11321)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

198. **Public**  Fred Berman submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198914 (ID:11322)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE Land Use Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

199. Public Alan Moore submitting comments re: the proposed zoning ordinance.

Communication 198915 (ID:11324)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

200. Public

The Affordable Housing Organizing Committee submitting comments re: the Communication proposed zoning ordinance.

198916 (ID:11325)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

201. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198917 (ID:11500) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect 86 Franklin Street for overflowing trash and ticket where appropriate.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 201 through 205 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

198918 (ID:11501) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken benches along Cross Street East, near the Stop and Shop.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

203. Order

198919 (ID:11502) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works move the concrete barriers at the end of Cross Street East, further down the road to accommodate parking.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

204. Order

198920 (ID:11503) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken bench at Indiana Avenue and Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

205. Order

198921 (ID:11504) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing barrel at Florence and Pearl Streets (Symphony Park).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

206. Order

198922 (ID:11505) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking conduct a transportation and parking analysis of the proposed zoning ordinance and explain the impact of parking changes to residents.

Alderman McLaughlin discussed impact of the proposed zoning ordinance on the city's serious parking problems. Alderman Heuston said it could necessitate changing the rigid traffic and parking regulations that exist today. Alderman Rossetti said she had requested an automobile count today vs. under the proposed zoning. President White concluded that all members should bring their questions about the proposed zoning directly to the Land Use Committee for discussion and follow-up.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

207. Order 198923

(ID:11507)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board to discuss the Administration's intention to direct the SomerVision Steering Committee to revise the SomerVision housing goal to 9,000 homes.

Alderman White is concerned that the Administration intends to change a SomerVision goal, which was the result of a collaborative, community-wide process.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

208. Order 198924 (ID:11508) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly

That the Traffic Engineer arrange for two lanes at the intersection of Shore Drive and Mystic Avenue and report to the Traffic Commission on efforts to re-calibrate the signalization there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

209. Order 198925 (ID:11513) By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Director of SPCD communicate to the owner of the Social Security building in Davis Square, the need to move forward on necessary repairs so the scaffolding may be removed from the public way as soon as possible.

Alderman Gewirtz emphasized that the public has had enough with scaffolding which is an eyesore and is blocking the public way. The owners need to take responsibility and complete the work whether or not there are tenants.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

210. Order 198926 (ID:11514) By Ald. Niedergang

That both #198542, calling for an economic analysis of the proposed zoning ordinance, and #198558, calling for an economic analysis of the impacts of varying inclusionary zoning affordable housing percentages, be transferred to the Committee on Land Use, from the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

211. Mayor's Request 198927 (ID:11298) Requesting an adjustment to income limits and interest rates with respect to the senior property tax deferral under MGL c59 s5(41A).

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 211 through 213 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

212. Mayor's Request 198928 (ID:11481) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of \$328,445.30 from US2 into the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

213. Mayor's Request 198929 (ID:11498) Requesting an appropriation of \$67,188 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the Fire Alarm Personal Services Account to fund a successor Collective Bargaining Agreement.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

214. Mayor's Request 198930 (ID:11515) Requesting the reappointment of Nicholas Salerno as Elections Commissioner.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 214 through 217 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

215. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Robert Massie to the Retirement Board.

198931 (ID:11516)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

216. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Daniel Rego as Police Sergeant.

Request 198932 (ID:11510)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

217. Mayor's Request 198933

Requesting the appointment of James Torres as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

Officer's 218. 198934

(ID:11296)

(ID:11499)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #198707 re: an additional public Communication comment period for zoning.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 218, Place it on File, and forward it to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

219.

License/Permit New Drainlayer License, East Coast Developments Inc.

198935 (ID:11517)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### LATE ITEMS

220. Mayor's Request 198936 (ID:11509)

Requesting an appropriation of \$539,670.30 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for services in connection with the redevelopment of Union Square.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 198937 (ID:11526) Call of the Roll.

President White announced an upcoming celebration of life for former Ald. Tom Taylor. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Carmilla Toner. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Joe Antonelli. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Kevin Sullivan.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 198938 (ID:11527) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 26, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 198939 (ID:11248) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Robert Schofield on winning a MA Secondary Schools Athletic Directors Association Award for re-invigorating youth softball and baseball in Somerville.

4. Citation 198940 (ID:11633)

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Seamus O'Donovan, who has been accepted to the US Naval Academy.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Withdrawn 198941 (ID:11634) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

6. Grant of Location 198942 (ID:11635) Submitted by Eversource, for 7 feet of conduit in Day Street, from Pole 96/7 to a point of pickup at 49 Day Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 198943 (ID:11636) Submitted by Eversource, for 260 feet of conduit in Broadway: 115 feet from a manhole near Boston Ave to a point of pickup at the Ball Sq. Bridge, and 145 feet from a manhole near Winchester Ave to another point of pickup at the bridge.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

8. Order 198944

(ID:11587)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the stairs and surrounding area from Mystic Housing to the Healey School.

Alderman Niedergang complained that the stairs have been an ongoing problem for many years. Alderman Lafuente agreed, saying he makes a similar request twice a year.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

9. Order 198945 (ID:11588) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the yards and perimeter of the Healey school.

198946 (ID:11589) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the traffic flow on Medford Street, from Pearl Street to McGrath Highway, to flow with the rush hour traffic.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 198947

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on Heath Street,

between Bond and Fenwick Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order

198948 (ID:11591)

(ID:11590)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact DCR to clean the area around the Blessing of the Bay boat house.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order

198949 (ID:11592) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 111-113 Bailey Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order

198950 (ID:11593) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at the corner of Bailey Road and Ten Hills Road.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. Order

198951 (ID:11594) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Winter Hill Market for rubbish and fine the business and building owner.

Alderman Lafuente stated the owner did not comply with his commitment in keeping the area clean as promised.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. Order 198952

(ID:11595)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect DentPlant, at 281 Broadway, and remove any illegal signs or banners.

17. Order 198953 (ID:11596) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the former Star Market site for all violations and inspect the parking lot for unsafe conditions and litter.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

18. Order 198954 (ID:11597)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass DOT to fix the fence under I-93, in front of 19-21 Bailey Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order 198955 (ID:11598) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin That the Administration of Teen Empowerment update this Board of its recent accomplishments and plans for the remainder of the calendar year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

20. Resolution 198956 (ID:11603) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti

That the Administration develop with this Board a strategy to analyze the increasing use of Runway 33L at Logan Airport and document the adverse noise impacts.

Alderman White explained what a huge impact the airplane noise has on residents. He asked that flight patterns and the number of residents affected be analyzed and be compared with other runways. Alderman Rossetti announced that BU Professor Levy will present the results of a study of airplane noise on 4/30/15. She expressed a concern that the time frame of the study had minimal flights, however, saying that 3 days after the completion of the study she was inundated with the plane noise again and the constituents that participated with the study were extremely frustrated.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

21. Order 198957 (ID:11604) By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board to discuss the circumstances that led to the collapse of the Brown School roof.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

22. Order 198958 (ID:11605) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint appropriate roadway markings at the speed bump on Shore Drive to alert drivers as they approach it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

23. Order 198959 (ID:11606) By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin

That the Traffic Engineer examine the rotary at Grand Union Blvd. and River Road for safety and install appropriate signage.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

24. Order 198960 (ID:11607) By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and report to this Board on the safety of the telephone pole and tree that abut 351 Summer Street.

Alderman Gewirtz expressed her opposition to removing this shade tree or any healthy public shade tree.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

25. Order 198961

(ID:11608)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the several potholes on Linden Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 198962 (ID:11609) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the huge pothole at 28-30 Woodbine Street and the sidewalk at 20 Woodbine Street, and inspect the area for other defects.

RESULT: APPROVED

27. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198963 (ID:11610) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) cite the owners of the shuttered Royal White laundry facility on Warwick and Cedar Streets and require that they remove the litter on the Cedar Street side of their property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Order 198964 (ID:11611) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking install a bump out at the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

29. Order 198965 (ID:11612) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the steps on School Street leading up to the high school.

30. Order By Ald. McWatters

198966 That the Director of SPCD install a tree at 112 Belmont Street.

(ID:11613)

198968

RESULT: APPROVED

31. Order By Ald. McWatters

198967 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk in front of 18

(ID:11614) Spring Hill Terrace.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

32. Order By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged sidewalk panels

(ID:11615) from 17 Spring Hill Terrace to the corner of Highland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

33. Order By Ald. McWatters

198969 That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Madison Street, Monday-

(ID:11616) Friday, 7:30-8:30 AM, to enforce the speed limit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang

198970 (ID:11617)

That the Administration detail a plan to mitigate flooding on the community path in the vicinity of Morrison Avenue and Highland Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

35. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz

198971

(ID:11618)

That the Administration detail plans for the Davis Square infrastructure project and confirm when the project will begin.

Alderman Gerwirtz commented on how Kenny Park went from disrepair to a flourishing park, including a water feature for the community. This is an example showing how much Davis Park needs a facelift.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

36. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz

198972

(ID:11619)

That the Administration update this Board on conversations with the owner of the old Social Security building in Davis Square and confirm the date that the scaffolding will come down, and reply to the Ward Alderman within 2 weeks.

Alderman Gewirtz stated this resolution will be repeated as necessary until the scaffolding is removed, since the owner is unnecessarily blocking the sidewalk without doing any work.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

By Ald. McLaughlin

198973 (ID:11620)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the state streets off Broadway for rodents, and bait accordingly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

38. Resolution

By Ald. McLaughlin, Niedergang

198974 (ID:11621) That the Administration and the Director of Personnel provide this Board with the ethnic and racial breakdown of the city's workforce and its boards and commissions.

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about keeping diversity in the forefront when hiring. Alderman Niedergang requested a breakdown for the Committee to see of all the various positions filled in the City by ethnicity and cultural makeup, including their goals.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

39. Order 198975 (ID:11622) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works update the Ward One Alderman regarding repairs to the Harris Park slide.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 40. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198976 Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on April 21, 2015 as a Committee of the Whole.

21, 2013 as a Committee of the whole.

(ID:11602) Alderman 4/21 meeting

Alderman Heuston reported on the various appointments approved at the 4/21 meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198596 (ID:11166) Requesting the appointment of Katherine Fichter to the Redevelopment Authority.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 198597 (ID:11167) Requesting the appointment of Josh Safdie as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

D. Mayor's		Requesting the re	Requesting the re-appointment of Adrian Botelho as Constable.		
	Request 198598	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED		
-	(ID:11137)				
E.	Mayor's Request		e-appointment of Nathaniel Greene as Constable.		
	198599	RESULT:	APPROVED		
F.	(ID:11138) Mayor's	Requesting the re	e-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable.		
	Request 198600	RESULT:	APPROVED		
	(ID:11139)				
G.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the c Conservation Co	onfirmation of the appointment of Jamie Lefkowitz to the		
	198676	RESULT:	APPROVED		
	(ID:11255)				
H.	Mayor's	Requesting the re	eappointment of William Roche as Director of Personnel.		
	Request 198705	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED		
т	(ID:11284)	Decreation 4head	anciety and of Dishard Layer In as Dalies Lieutenant		
I.	Mayor's Request	RESULT:	ppointment of Richard Lavey Jr. as Police Lieutenant.  APPROVED		
	198757 (ID:11427)	RESULT:	AFFROVED		
J.	Mayor's	Requesting the a	ppointment of Joseph McCain as Police Lieutenant.		
	Request 198758	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED		
	(ID:11428)				
K.	Mayor's Request		ppointment of Jeffrey DiGregorio as Police Lieutenant.		
	198759 (ID:11429)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
L.	Mayor's	Requesting the a	ppointment of Diogo DeOliveira as Police Sergeant.		
	Request 198760	RESULT:	APPROVED		
	(ID:11430)				
M.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the a	ppointment of Salvatore Fusco, Jr. as Police Sergeant.		
	198761	RESULT:	APPROVED		
N.	(ID:11431) Mayor's	Requesting the a	ppointment of Diane Prophete as Permanent Full-time Police		
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	198762 (ID:11303)	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED		
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О.	Mayor's Request	Officer.	ppointment of Orlando Jacquet as Permanent Full-time Police		
	198763 (ID:11304)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
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P.	Mayor's Request 198764 (ID:11305)	Requesting the appointment of George D'Amelio as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED
Q.	Mayor's Request 198765 (ID:11306)	Requesting the appointment of Christopher Fusco as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED
R.	Mayor's Request 198766 (ID:11307)	Requesting the ap Officer.	pointment of Christine Lyons as Permanent Full-time Police
		RESULT:	APPROVED
S.	Mayor's Request 198768 (ID:11309)	Requesting the ap Officer.	pointment of Ana Fernandes as Permanent Full-time Police
		RESULT:	APPROVED
T.	Mayor's Request 198769 (ID:11311)	Requesting the ap Officer.	pointment of Kevin Goulart as Permanent Full-time Police
		RESULT:	APPROVED
U.	Mayor's Request 198770 (ID:11312)	Requesting the ap Officer.	pointment of Eric O'Brien as Permanent Full-time Police
		RESULT:	APPROVED
V.	Mayor's Request 198771 (ID:11313)	Requesting the ap Officer.	pointment of Courtney Reece as Permanent Full-time Police
		RESULT:	APPROVED
W.	Mayor's Request 198772 (ID:11482)	Requesting the ap	pointment of James Rooney as a Special Police Officer.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
X.	Mayor's Request 198773	Requesting the ap	pointment of Robert Ankenbauer as a Special Police Officer.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
Y.	(ID:11483) Mayor's Request 198774 (ID:11484)	Requesting the appointment of Bruce Campbell as a Special Police Officer.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED
Z.	Mayor's Request 198930	Requesting the rea	appointment of Nicholas Salerno as Elections Commissioner.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
	(ID:11515)		

AA. Mayor's

Request 198931 Requesting the appointment of Robert Massie to the Retirement Board.

(ID:11516)

RESULT: APPROVED

AB. Mayor's Request

Requesting the appointment of Daniel Rego as Police Sergeant.

Request 198932 (ID:11510)

RESULT: APPROVED

AC. Mayor's Request 198933 (ID:11499) Requesting the appointment of James Torres as Permanent Full-time Police Officer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 41. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198977 (ID:11600) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on April 14, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He gave an update on the SomerVision goals and progress reports, the redevelopment of the Central Hill playground in front of the library, plans for a walkway between East Somerville and Assembly Square, and lastly the traffic safety at the Lowell Street bridge area with the new community path extension opening up onto the bridge. President White questioned the discussion of the Tree Ordinance, and Alderman Niedergang and Alderman Gewirtz discussed the pros and cons of the tree ordinance in regards to public safety and the well being of the trees, including the possibility of hiring an outside arborist.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 196369 (ID:8900) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD submit a SomerVision implementation and accountability plan as described within.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 197862 (ID:10423) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) update this Board on the construction start date at 77-83 North Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 197975 (ID:10574) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the possibility of providing administrative support and funding for a business and community association such as a Main Streets initiative for both the Magoun Square and Winter Hill business districts.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 197983 (ID:10590) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD determine if Central Hill Playground is on a renovation list for the coming fiscal year and inform the Ward 3 Alderman of future plans for the park.

### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order F.

By Ald. McLaughlin

198096 (ID:10670) That the Director of SPCD inquire of the developer of the complex on McGrath Highway, between Otis and Bonair Streets, why they aren't abiding by their promises for resident parking, lighting, and repairs to the McGrath Highway overpass.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Niedergang

198107 (ID:10685)

(ID:10766)

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the construction plans and timeline for the curb cut at the elbow on Warwick Street to enable bicycle access to the concrete path that leads to the Community Path extension.

### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 198193 By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Heuston, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Communications revise the Planning and Zoning Depts.' web pages to make them more accessible and

transparent.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14.

Communication 198421 (ID:10854)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 198445 By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:11038)

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) report to this Board on why the Tree Advisory Committee, created under the Tree

Preservation Ordinance, appears to be completely inactive, and present a plan for activating it by March 26, 2015.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

K. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198503 (ID:11083) That the Director of SPCD submit a progress report on SomerVision by March 26, 2015.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED L. Order 198576 (ID:11143) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on any plans to

renovate Central Hill Park.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE 42.

A. Committee Report 198978 (ID:11601)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 16, 2015 as a Committee of the Whole.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She gave an update on the pervious surfaces and storm water ordinances. She also spoke about the continued discussion of the anti-nepotism ordinance with the Board and the School Committee.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 197411 (ID:9980)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Mayor's Office inform this Board of its dealings with Catalog Choice.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

C. Officer's Communication 197684

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

(ID:10176)

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

### 43. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 198979 (ID:11599) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on April 14, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported that numerous license and permit issues were taken up. A public hearing had been scheduled, but the item was withdrawn by the applicant.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

License/Permit B. 197940

New Garage License, ABJ Foreign Auto Supply, 91 Marshall St., 3 cars inside, 27 outside, M-F 8-6PM, Sa 8-3PM.

(ID:10502)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. 198611

License/Permit New Livery License, Jean Adrien, 121 Temple St., 1 vehicle.

(ID:11186)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. 198693 (ID:11260)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Brooklyn Boulders, 12A Tyler St., Opening until 2AM on selected dates.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

44. Mayor's Request 198980 (ID:11523) Requesting the transfer \$47,000 within the Engineering Division, from its Salaries Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to fund certain engineering services.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 48 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 198981 (ID:11524) Requesting the transfer of \$2,017 within the Elections Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund a retirement payout.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 198982 (ID:11525) Requesting the transfer of \$1,000 within the Grants Development Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund increased hours for the grant writer.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 198983 (ID:11518) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice of \$360 in the Planning Division of SPCD.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 198984 (ID:11520) Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,500 grant from the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for youth violence prevention.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 198985 (ID:11630) Requesting the appointment of Rebecca Schrumm to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 51 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

50. Mayor's Request 198986 (ID:11629) Requesting the appointment of Peter Granitsas as a Special Police Officer for the Housing Authority Police.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** 

Confirmation of Appointments Committee

51. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of John Aufiero as a Special Police Officer.

198987 (ID:11522)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

52. Officer's 198988

Director of Personnel responding to #198732 re: hiring a Director and an Communication Assistant Director of Engineering.

(ID:11512)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 54 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

53. Officer's

Director of Personnel responding to #198733 re: hiring a Director of Communication Transportation and Infrastructure and a Senior Transportation Planner.

198989 (ID:11511)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

54. Officer's 198990

Asst. City Solicitor providing an update on easement acquisitions for the Communication Beacon Street reconstruction project.

(ID:11521)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

### **NEW BUSINESS**

55. 198991

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Tufts GSC 5K Walk/Run, Tufts campus area, May 2, 9AM-2PM.

(ID:11628)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 83 and items 85 through 117 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 198992

Public Event Permit, Dysautonomia International POTS 5K Race, Medford to Mystic River path and Shore Drive, May 9, 8AM-1PM.

(ID:11631)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

57. License/Permit 198993

Public Event Permit, Divino Espirito Santo Procession, 203 Somerville Ave to St. Joseph's Church and back, May 24, 8AM-12:30PM.

(ID:11632)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

58.	License/Permit 198994 (ID:11528)	Public Event Permit, Chamber of Commerce's Taste of Somerville, Buena Vista Parking Lot, Jun 3, 7AM-Midnite (raindate Jun 10).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
198995			mit, Matty Mae Theater Project Wakeville Stories, Veterans ery, Jun 20-21, 27-28, Noon-5PM.	
	(ID:11529)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
60.	198996		mit, Electric Avenue Block Party, from Packard Ave to 8, Noon-6PM (raindate Jul 19).	
	(ID:11530)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.	198997		mit, Taza Chocolate Day of the Dead Celebration, 561 81, 10AM-7PM (raindate 11/1).	
	(ID:11531)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.	198998		mit, Team Chase 5K Road Race, East Somerville and reas, Nov 8, 8AM-2PM.	
	(ID:11637)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 198999	Renewing Drainl RESULT:	ayer's License, Tri Construction.  APPROVED	
	(ID:11532)	RESULT.	ATTROVED	
64.	License/Permit 199000		ayer's License, Lamountain Brothers.	
	(ID:11533)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.		Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, Suffolk Engineering.	
	199001 (ID:11534)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, Lederman Engineering.	
	199002 (ID:11535)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, C.J. Doherty.	
	199003 (ID:11536)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, Brooksdale Construction.	
	199004 (ID:11537)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

69.		Renewing Drainlay	yer's License, Metro Equipment.
	199005 (ID:11538)	RESULT:	APPROVED
70.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlay	yer's License, CRL Inc.
	199006 (ID:11539)	RESULT:	APPROVED
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71.	199007	RESULT:	yer's License, J. Marchese and Sons.  APPROVED
	(ID:11540)	ALCEI.	M I NO VED
72.	License/Permit 199008	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Pete's Boy's, 229R Lowell St.
	(ID:11541)	RESULT:	APPROVED
73.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Drake Petroleum, 360 Medford St.
	199009 (ID:11542)	RESULT:	APPROVED
74.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.
	199010 (ID:11543)	RESULT:	APPROVED
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75.	License/Permit 199011	Washington St.	bles License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182
	(ID:11544)	RESULT:	APPROVED
76.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Beacon Sales Company, 50 Webster Ave.
	199012 (ID:11545)	RESULT:	APPROVED
77.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Hess #21521, 709 Mcgrath Hwy.
, , .	199013	RESULT:	APPROVED
	(ID:11546)		
78.	License/Permit 199014		bles License, Cubby Oil, 20 Medford St.
	(ID:11547)	RESULT:	APPROVED
79.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.
	199015 (ID:11548)	RESULT:	APPROVED
80.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Teele Square Auto, 1284 Broadway.
	199016 (ID:11549)	RESULT:	APPROVED
	(11).1157)		

199017		Renewing Flamma Pkwy.	ables License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook
	(ID:11550)	RESULT:	APPROVED
82.	License/Permit 199018 (ID:11551)	Renewing Garage RESULT:	License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.  APPROVED
83.	License/Permit	mit Renewing Garage License, Teele Square Auto, 1284 Broadway.	
	199019 (ID:11552)	RESULT:	APPROVED
84.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
	(ID:11553)	their license in the using street park Board can review RESULT:	ran stated that Alewife Automotive has violated the terms of the past, particularly by overcrowding the parking lot and ring, and he moved to approve a 6-month license only, so the w their performance at that point. The motion was approved.  APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS
		CONDITION:	License is approved through October 31 only.
85.	License/Permit 199021	Renewing Garage	License, EZ Auto Body, 627 Somerville Ave.
	(ID:11554)	RESULT:	APPROVED
86.	License/Permit 199022	Renewing Garage	License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.
	(ID:11555)	RESULT:	APPROVED
87.		Renewing Garage	License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.
	199023 (ID:11556)	RESULT:	APPROVED
88.		Renewing Garage	License, Hawkins Street Automotive, 9 Hawkins St.
	199024 (ID:11557)	RESULT:	APPROVED
89.	License/Permit 199025	Renewing Garage Ave.	License, Boston Sand and Gravel Company, 492 Rutherford
	(ID:11558)	RESULT:	APPROVED
90.		Renewing Garage	License, Ideal Automotive Services, 96 Dover St.
	199026 (ID:11559)	RESULT:	APPROVED
91.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Goodyear Auto Service Center, 1 Bow St.
	199027 (ID:11560)	RESULT:	APPROVED

92.	License/Permit 199028 (ID:11561)	Renewing Garage License, BBC Auto Repair, 483 Somerville Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
93.	License/Permit 199029 (ID:11562)	Renewing Garage License, Monro Muffler Brake, 223 Washington St.  RESULT: APPROVED
94.	License/Permit 199030 (ID:11563)	Renewing Garage License, Chicken & Shakes Automotive, 6 Beach Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
95.	License/Permit 199031 (ID:11564)	Renewing Garage License, Pete's Boy's (#721), 229R Lowell St.  RESULT: APPROVED
96.	License/Permit 199032 (ID:11565)	Renewing Garage License, Pete's Boy's (#722), 83 Albion St.  RESULT: APPROVED
97.	License/Permit 199033 (ID:11566)	Renewing Garage License, 429 Corp., 109 Prospect St.  RESULT: APPROVED
98.	License/Permit 199034 (ID:11567)	Renewing Garage License, Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
99.	License/Permit 199035 (ID:11568)	Renewing Garage License, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq.  RESULT: APPROVED
100.	License/Permit 199036 (ID:11569)	Renewing Garage License, Somerville Auto Center, 193 Somerville Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
101.	License/Permit 199037 (ID:11570)	Renewing Garage License, Beacon Sales, 50 Webster Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
102.	License/Permit 199038 (ID:11571)	Renewing Garage License, J&E Auto Body, 9 Hawkins St.  RESULT: APPROVED
103.	License/Permit 199039 (ID:11572)	Renewing Garage License, Fabrizio Realty, 290R Somerville Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED

104.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, TR Cab, Med #2.
	199040 (ID:11574)	RESULT: APPROVED
105.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Victory Cab, Med #56.
	199041 (ID:11573)	RESULT: APPROVED
106.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Madkep Transportation, Med #64.
	199042 (ID:11575)	RESULT: APPROVED
107.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, J&J Transportation, Med #74.
	199043 (ID:11576)	RESULT: APPROVED
108.		Renewing Junk Dealer's License, LBC Boutique, 235A Elm St.
	199044 (ID:11581)	RESULT: APPROVED
109.		Renewing Junk Dealer's License, All Checks Cashed, 12 Union Sq.
	199045 (ID:11582)	RESULT: APPROVED
110.		Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mcdonald's, 14 Mcgrath Hwy.
	199046 (ID:11577)	RESULT: APPROVED
111.	License/Permit	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St.
	199047 (ID:11578)	RESULT: APPROVED
112.		Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Domino's Pizza, 201 Elm St.
	199048 (ID:11579)	RESULT: APPROVED
113.	License/Permit	Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Gold's Gym, 14 Mcgrath Hwy.
	199049 (ID:11580)	RESULT: APPROVED
114.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, 534 Central, 11 Washington St.
	199050 (ID:11583)	RESULT: APPROVED
115.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston St.
	199051 (ID:11584)	RESULT: APPROVED

116. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Union Sq. Pizza, 63 Union Sq.

199052

**RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:11585)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, India Palace, 23 Union Sq., 4 tables, 8 seats.

199053 (ID:11586)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

118. Public MA DOT responding to #198702 re: noise and pollution barriers along I-93.

Communication 199054 (ID:11639)

President White advised that residents have a valid concern regarding pollution, and he suggested that the Administration obtain pictures of abutting residents' backyards, to show the Governor the extent of the problem.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

119. Order By Ald. Ballantyne 199055 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the concrete slabs around the

trees in front of 71 and 95 Ossipee Road. (ID:11641)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

120. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199056 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the heaving concrete slabs (ID:11642)

around two trees on Packard Avenue, between Ossippee Road and

Powderhouse Blvd.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

121. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199057 That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the lane arrows at the traffic light on Holland Street, in Teele Square. (ID:11643)

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

122. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board to discuss the 199058 (ID:11644) on-street parking permits given to Tufts University employees.

> > **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 123. Order 199059

(ID:11645)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD consider drafting an ordinance to clearly define the Historic Preservation process and methods for contacting the appropriate fiduciary members or owners of church and nonprofit properties before designating a building historic.

Alderman Ballantyne requested that this proposed Ordinance be specific as to notification procedures, so that active officials of the churches or nonprofits are made aware of any proposed historic property designations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

124. Order 199060 (ID:11664)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair and install solar flashing lights on the pedestrian crossing sign at Washington and Hawkins Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

125. Order 199061 (ID:11665) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Joseph Street and Lincoln Parkway and install flashing lights at the STOP sign there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

126. Order 199062 (ID:11666) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signage on Park Street alerting motorists of children crossing at 44 Park Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

127. Resolution 199063 (ID:11667) By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration provide an update to plans for the mitigation of flooding on Clark Street and Dane Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

128. Order 199064 (ID:11668) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of enforcement of the trash ordinance for private trash pickup (barrels and dumpsters), when trash can be set out prior to pickup, and whether the current ordinance can be amended to address private trash pickups.

Alderman Heuston commented there is confusion if the current trash Ordinance applies to private and commercial trash pick ups.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

129. Order 199065 (ID:11674) By Ald. Sullivan, Rossetti, Heuston, McWatters, White Jr., Connolly That the Traffic Engineer review the pedestrian walkway on Somerville Avenue at the RITE AID, and make safety improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

130. Mayor's Request 199066 (ID:11663) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,475,000 in a bond for LED Light Conversion.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 130 and 132 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

131. Mayor's Request 199067 (ID:11669) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$300,000 in a bond for backlog sidewalk repairs including demolition, removal and disposal of materials, installation of ADA ramps and driveway aprons.

Alderman Lafuente sponsored DPW Commissioner Stan Koty, who reported on ongoing repairs and accessibility upgrades after the winter snows. This bond is necessary to continue funding that work.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Connolly

132. Mayor's Request 199068 (ID:11662) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$120,000 in a bond for Engine 7 Roof Replacement.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

133. Officer's Communication 199069 (ID:11519) DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/26/15.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 133 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

134. 199070 (ID:11673)

License/Permit Amending Mobile Food Vendor License, Wizard Catering, adding Grand Union Blvd at Artisan Way (Revolution Drive at Home Depot was previously approved).

> Alderman Sullivan stated that Wizard Catering and the Adminstration had come to an agreement on their Grand Union Blvd. location, which had been previously vetoed by the Mayor, and he moved approval for a 6-month period, so the city could review the item again in the fall. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** License is approved through October 31 only.

135. License/Permit 199071 (ID:11661)

Renewing Drainlayer's License, Marchi Paving.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 135 through 154 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

136. 199072 (ID:11646)

License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, U-Haul of Boston, 151 Linwood St.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

137. License/Permit 199073 (ID:11647)

Renewing Flammables License, U-Haul of Boston, 600 Mystic Valley Parkway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

138. 199074 (ID:11648)

License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Coresite Real Estate, 70 Innerbelt Rd.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

139. 199075 (ID:11649)

License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Home Depot, 75 Mystic Ave.

140. License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 701 Somerville Ave. 199076

**APPROVED** 

(ID:11650)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

141. License/Permit 199077

Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 212 Broadway.

(ID:11651)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

142. 199078 (ID:11652)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, U-Haul of Boston, 151 Linwood St.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

143. 199079 (ID:11653)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Gasper Ostuni, 195 Highland Ave.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

144.		Renewing Garage	License, JC Auto Repair, 91 Prospect St.
199080 (ID:11654)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
145.	License/Permit 199081 (ID:11655)	Renewing Garage License, Mike's Auto Service, 6 Beach Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED	
146.	License/Permit 199082	Renewing Garage	License, Maaco Auto Painting, 444 Somerville Ave.
	(ID:11656)	RESULT:	APPROVED
147.		Renewing Garage	License, A&M Foreign Motors, 400 Mystic Ave.
	199083 (ID:11657)	RESULT:	APPROVED
148.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, WLEJ Inc., Med #76.
1101	199084 (ID:11671)	RESULT:	APPROVED
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149.	199085		ed Operating Hours License, Hess, 709 McGrath Hwy.
	(ID:11672)	RESULT:	APPROVED
150.		Renewing Outdoor	Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 55 Day St.
	199086 (ID:11658)	RESULT:	APPROVED
151.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 7 Herbert St.
	199087 (ID:11659)	RESULT:	APPROVED
152.	License/Permit 199088	Renewing Extended 137 Washington S	ed Operating Hours License, Cataldo Ambulance Service, t.
	(ID:11660)	RESULT:	APPROVED
153.	153. License/Permit 199089 (ID:11670)	Renewing Outdoor Broadway.	r Seating License, Ball Sq. Cafe and Breakfast, 708
		RESULT:	APPROVED
154.	License/Permit 199090 (ID:11676)	Sign/Awning Perm RESULT:	nit, Pleasant Exchange, 370 Mystic Ave., 1 sign.  APPROVED
	(110/0)		

155. Public

Middlesex District Attorney responding to #196432 re: the investigation into Communication the murder of Deanna Cremin.

199091 (ID:11675)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

## LATE ITEMS

156. Mayor's

Conveying the veto of #197846, a Mobile Food Vendor license issued to Communication Wizard Catering on 3/26/15.

198775 (ID:11497)

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

Alderman Sullivan reported that since the Administration and Wizard Catering had agreed on an Assembly Row location (#134 on the agenda), this veto message could be placed on file. With no opposition, the Board approved his motion.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Order 157. 199092 (ID:11679) By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Tree Warden report to this Board over the last 3 years, how many public shade trees have been removed, and how many public hearings have been held.

Aldermen Gewirtz, Niedergang and White want to make sure that the city is adhering to the terms of the tree ordinance.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 14, 2015, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199093 (ID:11793) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Ballantyne held a moment of silence for Florence Ciccariello. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Joan Robinson. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Heddy Resnick. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Marie Cremin. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Paul Caruso.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199094 (ID:11794) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 9, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## **CITATIONS**

3. Withdrawn 199095 (ID:11819) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 199096 (ID:11824) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) to relocate 4 poles by 7-13 feet each, all in the vicinity of 197 Washington St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 199097 (ID:11825) Submitted by Vertex Companies Inc to install 2 groundwater monitoring wells in the grassy area just north of the Community Bike Path, 180 feet and 250 feet west of Cedar St.

The President opened the public hearing. Phil Gibbons, Geologist with Vertex, gave a presentation on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Aldermen expressed many concerns regarding potential groundwater contamination and possible danger to the public.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Environment and Energy Special Committee

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Resolution 199098 (ID:11746) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Honoring Tom Bent and Mike Calder for their commitment to hire graduates of the High School's Career and Technical Education Electrical Program.

Alderman Rossetti emphasized the importance of the community partnership between the IBEW Local 103 and Bent Electrical with the 2 students from Somerville High School Career Tech that will be recipients of the 5 year apprenticeship program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

199099 (ID:11749) Relaying the final report of the BU study regarding the impact of Logan air traffic on our community.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

8. Resolution 199100 (ID:11748) By Ald. Rossetti

That this Board supports the efforts of the Logan Community Advisory Committee and requests that the FAA re-examine its Runway 33L policies to reduce noise complaints.

Alderman Rossetti explained the ongoing concern with the noise complaints. President White asked that the Committee on Public Health and Safety explore the work and recommendations of the Logan CAC.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

9. Resolution 199101 (ID:11750) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration review with this Board its policy for curbside furniture donations.

Alderman Rossetti stated she has received conflicting information regarding the curbside donation policy. She is concerned that sometimes residents get tickets for leaving furniture donations on the sidewalk. Alderman Heuston is concerned that such furniture could become a public nuisance and suggested the use of social media to advertise donations instead. Alderman Niedergang spoke of a ticket given in error as the furniture was on the citizen's lawn, and said inspectors should use discretion in certain circumstances. Alderman Lafuente stated problems such as bed bugs could arise with furniture sitting outside and agreed social media could be a solution.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

10. Resolution 199102 (ID:11779) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration and Chief of Police consider implementing a policy similar to Gloucester, where opiate addicts who ask for help are provided it and are not arrested.

Alderman McLaughlin advised Somerville should be on board with the changes happening countrywide, particularly in Gloucester, regarding substance abuse and the handling of addicts requesting help. He stated there is a substance abuse counselor located within the police station and the public should be made aware of this. Alderman Gewirtz stated that treatment is the right way to go, and addicts who need help should not be turned into criminals. Alderman Rossetti urged the Cambridge Health Alliance to get involved so addicts can get immediate help, not just be handed a referral. Alderman Heuston said this is a good example of the value of a Health and Human Services Department, to work with the Police Department and local hospitals.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

11. Order 199103 (ID:11732) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the clogged sewers along Cross Street.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 11 through 24 and approve them. He requested item 18 go to the Committee on Rodent Issues. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 199104 (ID:11733) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Lincoln Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

13. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199105 That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider placing DO NOT ENTER signs at Florence and Pearl Streets and at MacArthur Street and Broadway, for

high traffic times.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199106 That the Commissioner of Public Works place additional recycling bins along

(ID:11735) Broadway in East Somerville.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199107 That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint bicycle symbols on the bike

(ID:11736) lanes along Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199108 That the Director of Traffic and Parking address traffic issues at the

(ID:11737) intersection of Broadway and Mt. Vernon Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199109 That the Director of SPCD consider beautifying the green space and adding

(ID:11738) trees at the parking lot opposite the Mt. Vernon Restaurant.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199110 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the General Insulation building on

(ID:11739) Cross Street East for rodents and bait accordingly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199111 That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the I-93 underpass between

(ID:11740) Assembly Row and Stop and Shop.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes and uneven

(ID:11741) sidewalks on Franklin Street, between Pearl Street and Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21.	Order 199113 (ID:11742)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD address the need for a Hubway station in East Somerville.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
22.	Order 199114 (ID:11743)	By Ald. McLaug That the Commis Broadway.	hlin ssioner of Public Works place a trash barrel in front of 165	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
23.	Order 199115 (ID:11744)	By Ald. McLaug That the Chief of especially after 8	Police enforce the cspeed limit on Kensington Street,	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
24.	Order 199116 (ID:11745)	By Ald. McLaug That the Director Kensington Stree	of Traffic and Parking install a SLOW – CHILDREN sign on	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
25.	Order 199117 (ID:11751)	the chain link fer	ssioner of Public Works clear the dead vines and foliage from ace surrounding Perry Park and move the trash barrels from rk to areas which are further away from residences.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
26.	Order 199118 (ID:11752)		ssioner of Public Works install bike racks on Somerville cinity of 230 Somerville Avenue.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
27.	Order 199119 (ID:11753)		of SPCD request of the MBTA that trains cease audible travel through the Boynton Yards area.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
28.	Order 199120 (ID:11754)		ssioner of Public Works trim the trees in Perry Park and th of the 2 trees with no visible growth.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

29. Order 199121

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:11755)

The Director of Traffic and Parking replace the street sign at the corner of Washington and Calvin Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Order

By Ald. Heuston

199122 (ID:11756) That the Chief of Police provide a directed patrol (by both Police and Animal Control Officers) of Perry Park during early morning hours and weekends to remind dog owners that dogs should not be off-leash in the Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

31. Order 199123 (ID:11757) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on applying the hotel tax to short-term rentals such as Airbnb, and provide advice on whether zoning ordinances would then need to be changed.

Alderman Heuston pointed out that additional revenue from hotel taxes on short term rentals would compensate for the additional strain on city infrastructure and services. Alderman Niedergang reported that there were over 300 listings in one month.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

32. Order 199124 (ID:11758) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD evaluate the safety of the playground equipment at Lincoln Park and inform the Ward 2 Alderman of any possible short term improvements.

RESULT: APPROVED

33. Resolution 199125 (ID:11759) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change appear before this Board to discuss their activities, and submit a brief report with the highlights of their work.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Environment and Energy Special Committee

34. Order 199126 (ID:11760) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Director of Health and Human Services report to this Board on the increase in homeless families and unaccompanied homeless minors, the work of the Homelessness Task Force, and the possible need for city resources to serve them.

Alderman Niedergang stated there is a dramatic increase in homeless families and students. With the budget coming up there should be some resources allocated for these vulnerable people. Alderman Heuston advised that some of the students may not necessarily be considered homeless but are recent immigrants staying with other people.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

35. Order 199127 (ID:11761) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) report to this Board on plans to convert the city owned parking lot between Central Street and Junction Park to a park.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

36. Order 199128 (ID:11762) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking develop a plan for traffic calming and reduction during rush hours on Porter Street between Elm and Summer Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order 199129 (ID:11763) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works or the City Solicitor report to this Board on making the Albion Street sidewalk contractor repair the sidewalks there or refund the city, and that the Commissioner repair those sidewalks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

38. Order 199130 (ID:11764) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk on the east side of the Central Street railroad bridge near Hoyt-Sullivan Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

39. Order 199131 (ID:11767) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 6-8 Madison Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

40. Order 199132

By Ald. McWatters

199132 (ID:11768) That the Chief of Police order directed patrols at Columbus and Bonner Avenues at various times, to prevent motorists from driving up the one-way on Columbus Avenue to get onto Prospect Hill Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

41. Order 199133 (ID:11769) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Heuston, Niedergang That the Director of SPCD determine if any of the city's trees have been infected by the Emerald Ash Borer, and report back to this Board with any strategy to save them, possibly by spraying Tree Azin.

See discussion at #42.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Environment and Energy Special Committee

42. Resolution 199134 (ID:11770) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Niedergang, Heuston That the Administration include a full time arborist position in the upcoming FY16 budget.

Alderman McWatters sponsored Luke Rogers, who is an environmental attorney, to speak regarding the Emerald Ash Borer disease that is endangering the 1,000 ash trees in Somerville. He advised there is a need to act quickly as these beetles are now within 15 miles of Somerville and can potentially wipe out these trees. He stated that removal of the infected trees would be more costly than treating them. Alderman Niedergang stated there is a need to protect the investment and hire a full time arborist. Alderman Heuston has a concern regarding the health of the other species of trees in the City as well and supports adding a full-time arborist.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

43. Order 199135 (ID:11771) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the damaged NO LEFT TURN sign at Cameron Avenue and Mead Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

44. Resolution 199136 (ID:11772) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration discuss its advertising policy for city owned property and plans for community input.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

45. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199137 (ID:11773) That the Director of Traffic and Parking confirm whether parking is allowed in the middle of the end of Fairmount Street abutting Russell Road, and address installing a NO PARKING sign there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

46. Order 199138 (ID:11774) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD provide each Ward Alderman with the tree planting list for their ward.

ist for their ward.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

47. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199139 (ID:11775) That the Commissioner of Public Works check the health and safety of the large leaning blue spruce tree on Curtis Street at Powder House Blvd.

RESULT: APPROVED

48. Resolution

By Ald. Sullivan

199140

That the Dedication Committee consider naming a street corner for Patrick J.

(ID:11776) Sullivan, Jr.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

49. Resolution

By Ald. Sullivan

199141 (ID:11777) That the Dedication Committee consider naming a street corner for Robert

(777) Ventura, Sr.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

50. Resolution 199142

By Ald. Sullivan

(ID:11778)

That the management of Earl's Kitchen and Bar at Assembly Square install a baby changing station.

Alderman Sullivan said it is unacceptable to not to have baby changing table facilities inside a large restaurant like Earl's Kitchen and Bar. Alderman Gewirtz stated this needs to be implemented in public as well as private institutions. She also spoke of the need for breast pumping stations for nursing mothers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

51. Citation 198940 (ID:11633) By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Seamus O'Donovan, who has been accepted to the US Naval Academy.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 52. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A.	Committee	Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on April 30, 2015.		
	Report 199143 (ID:11781)	Alderman Lafu RESULT:	nente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.  APPROVED	
B. Mayor's Request 198669 (ID:11230	Request		oval of the 2015-2016 HUD One Year Action Plan, for and ESG programming.	
	198669 (ID:11230)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
C. Mayor's Request	Request	Requesting to pa and Parking Dep	ny outstanding FY14 invoices totalling \$9,438.42 in the Traffic partment.	
	198670 (ID:11209)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
D.	Mayor's	Requesting appr	oval to create a Tufts University Consolidated Gift Account.	
1986	Request 198672 (ID:11250)	RESULT:	LAID ON THE TABLE	
E.			acceptance of a donation of \$75,000 from Tufts University for reational, or cultural purposes.	
		RESULT:	LAID ON THE TABLE	
-	Mayor's Request	1 0	oppropriation and authorization to borrow \$603,998 in a bond on Technology Virtualization Project.	
	198752 (ID:11487)	RESULT:	APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]	
	(ID.11467)	AYES:	Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz	
		ABSENT:	Sullivan, Ballantyne	
G.	Mayor's Request		use of \$177 in available funds from the Health and Human s Account for the new Shape Up Somerville Director salary.	
	198754 (ID:11295)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
H.	Mayor's Request	Requesting appr invoice of \$1,19	oval for the Personnel Dept. to use FY15 funds to pay a FY14 2.06.	
	198755	RESULT:	APPROVED	

**APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

(ID:11294)

I. Mayor's Request 198928 (ID:11481) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of \$328,445.30 from US2 into the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Ballantyne

J. Mayor's Request 198980 (ID:11523) Requesting the transfer \$47,000 within the Engineering Division, from its Salaries Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to fund certain engineering services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 199068 (ID:11662) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$120,000 in a bond for Engine 7 Roof Replacement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

L. Resolution 199144

(ID:11684)

By Ald. Connolly

That this Board recommends that the Administration prioritize the distribution of Tufts Consolidated Gift Account funds to benefit the city's seniors, children

and veterans, and report to this Board how they will be spent.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 53. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199145 (ID:11785) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on May 12, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There will be an update on SomerVision and reports will be available shortly. Aldermen discussed the potential redesign of DCR's Draw 7 Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 196886 (ID:9430) By Ald. Gewirtz, White Jr.

That the Administration provide this Board with an update, in writing and within 2 weeks, on accessibility and improvements to the West Branch

Library.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's Director of Capital Pro-Communication West Branch Library.

Director of Capital Projects responding to #196886 re: improvements at the West Branch Library

197059 (ID:9533)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

197847 (ID:10413) That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking advise when the signs limiting entrance and exit from the 118 Holland Street driveway will be installed.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

197861 (ID:10422)

That the City Solicitor and the Director of SPCD (ISD) update this Board on the court filing for 75-77 Gordon Street (as requested in July), pertaining to operating a business and storing construction materials at the site.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198212 (ID:10793) That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 7 Alderman on asphalt removal at 125 West Adams Street.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order

By Ald. White Jr.

198923 (ID:11507) That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board to discuss the Administration's intention to direct the SomerVision Steering Committee to revise the SomerVision housing goal to 9,000 homes.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# 54. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199146 (ID:11783) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 6, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated there will be 6 public meetings scheduled through year end for requesting, reviewing, and responding to information about a new proposed zoning ordinance, but no meetings would be scheduled in the summer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198281 (ID:10849) Requesting the adoption of a New Zoning Ordinance to supersede the current Zoning Ordinance as originally adopted on March 23, 1990.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Order 198707 (ID:11288)

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Rossetti

That the Director of SPCD consider a 2nd written comment period for the new zoning proposal to allow for additional citizen input.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #198707 re: an additional public Communication comment period for zoning.

198934 (ID:11296)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE 55.

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on May 7, 2015.

199147 (ID:11784)

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She reported on the research and draft information on the plastic bag ordinance, and on an ordinance requiring a master plan for any institution. She also explained the proposed anti-nepotism ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED: #197785 was Placed on File, replaced by Agenda #158, which was Ordained.

Ordinance B. 197785 (ID:10355) By Ald. Lafuente

Proposing an Anti-Nepotism Ordinance.

Replaced by Agenda #158.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### 56. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199148 (ID:11782) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 5, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He confirmed that the Deanna Cremin case will remain an active investigation and not become a cold case. Fire Chief Kevin Kelleher, who is retiring after 37 years of service, gave an update on Engine 3 and other other locations for possible fire stations. Ald. Connolly said the owner of the Social Security building in Davis Square has been charged with a criminal complaint, and is now working with the City to plan removal of the scaffolding. He reported that the Brown School roof repair has been satisfactorily completed. Lastly, he announced the new substance abuse coordinator will appear before the Committee to discuss the City's plans.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

Order B. 198738 (ID:11451) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Chief of Police advise this Board on the Deanna Cremin murder investigation and appear at a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety to discuss details, where appropriate.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED C. Resolution 198739

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Middlesex County District Attorney advise this Board of the status of the Deanna Cremin murder investigation and attend a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety to update members where appropriate.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

D. Public

(ID:11452)

Middlesex District Attorney responding to #196432 re: the investigation into Communication the murder of Deanna Cremin.

199091 (ID:11675)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 198957 (ID:11604) By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board to discuss the circumstances that led to the collapse of the Brown School roof.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order F. 198960 (ID:11607) By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and report to this Board on the safety of the telephone pole and tree that abut 351 Summer Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 195671 By Ald. Sullivan

That the Director of the Women's Commission appear at a future Public Health and Safety Committee meeting to update this Board on the city's domestic (ID:8178)

violence prevention efforts.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

198376 (ID:10946)

That the Administration consider employing a Substance Abuse Coordinator to assist our city's families.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order

By Ald. McWatters

198727 (ID:11440) That the Neighborhood Impact Team inspect 7 Craigie Street for building and health code violations.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 199149 (ID:11827) By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of Purchasing and/or the Director of Capital Projects provide this Board with bi-weekly updates on securing a new modular structure to house Engine 3.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  K. Order

By Ald. Rossetti

199150 (ID:11828)

That the Clerk of Committees forward the attached article about Gloucester's substance abuse policy to the Chief of Police and the Substance Abuse

Counselor.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Resolution

By Ald. Rossetti

199151 (ID:11829) That the Administration, within 14 days, provide the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety with the Substance Abuse Counselor's job description and hire date.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

M. Order

By Ald. Rossetti

199152 (ID:11830) That the city's Substance Abuse Counselor appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

## 57. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

199153

(ID:11786)

Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on May 13, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He updated the Board on the problem approving speed bumps which, under Article 14, require that 67% of residents impacted have to sign on.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 196786

By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking reassess the timing of traffic lights on McGrath Highway, near Assembly Square, under the overpass heading toward Broadway, and at the intersection of Mount Vernon Street at Broadway.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

196849 (ID:9391)

(ID:9318)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking post a NO RIGHT TURN 7AM-9AM on Broadway, at MacArthur Street, to limit traffic on MacArthur Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 196901 (ID:9445) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signs at Porter and Elm Streets, and at Porter and Summer Streets, prohibiting thru traffic on lower Porter Street 6-9 AM and 4-7 PM.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

		May 14, 2015		
E.	Order 196902 (ID:9446)	By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters That the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps on lower Porter Street, between Summer and Elm Streets, to reduce traffic speed.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
F.	Order 197506 (ID:10133)	By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the City Clerk request of DCR that a sign be installed at Route 16 and Shore Drive, warning motorists of the recently installed raised crosswalk.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
G.	Order 197507 (ID:10131)	By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, White Jr., Rossetti That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump at the corner Sunnyside Avenue and Wigglesworth Street during the school year.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
H.	Order 197635 (ID:10194)	By Ald. Gewirtz That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore the feasibility of making College Avenue two lanes, heading south into Davis Square, on weekday mornings.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
I.	Order 197716 (ID:10269)	By Ald. Gewirtz That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works respond, in writing, to #197635, a request for College Avenue to have two lanes of traffic headed into Davis Square on weekday mornings.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
J.	Resolution 197743 (ID:10309)	By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang That the Administration increase the inventory of temporary speed bumps and promote their use in areas where cut through traffic is temporarily increased.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
K.	Order 197745 (ID:10311)	By Ald. Heuston That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a solar powered speed board on Hammond Street to monitor speeding cut through traffic.		
		RESULT: WORK COMPLETED		
L.	Order 197746 (ID:10312)	By Ald. Heuston That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Hammond Street		

**RESULT:** 

Hammond Street.

197746 (ID:10312)

WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 197874 (ID:10445) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking devise a plan to deal with traffic issues on the corner of Mount Vernon Street and Broadway.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

197877 (ID:10438) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING signs on either side of the fire hydrant in front of 21 - 23 Sargent Avenue.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order 197888 (ID:10452) By Ald. Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk on Central Street, between Highland Avenue and Summer Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Order 197919

(ID:10482)

By Ald. Rossetti, Sullivan, Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installation of a blinking traffic light at the crosswalk at 530 Somerville Avenue.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Q. Order 197965 (ID:10562) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking make recommendations to deal with speeding vehicles on Hammond and Elliot streets.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

R. Order 197970

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the pop-up caution signs that have disappeared from the crosswalk at Morrison Avenue and Highland Road. (2nd request)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

S. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197973 (ID:10572)

(ID:10569)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking analyze the traffic signals in Magoun Square and report to the Ward 5 Alderman whether any changes can be made to facilitate traffic flow, especially cars backed up on Medford Street during

the evening rush hour.

**RESULT:** 

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

T. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 10/9/14.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 10/0/14

198024

(ID:10425)

WORK COMPLETED

U. Order 198098 (ID:10672) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NOT A THRU WAY sign at the entrance of Cobble Hill Apartments on Washington Street.

### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

V. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

198108 (ID:10687)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a mid-block crosswalk with lights/signs at the North Street Veterans Playground, either at Hamilton Road or directly in front of the playground entrance.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

W. Order By Ald. Heuston

198154 (ID:10719) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Hammond Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

X. Order By Ald. Heuston

198155 (ID:10720) That the Director of Traffic and Parking implement a pedestrian safety plan for Webster Avenue at the Cambridge border, to support the residents on Webster

Avenue and Norfolk Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Y. Resolution By Ald. Heuston

198202 (ID:10775) That the Administration include in a petition to MA DOT, a request to lower the speed limit to 25 mph on Laurel St., Newton St., and Concord Ave.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

Z. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.

Communication 198256 (ID:10722)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AA. Officer's Communication submitted 11/13/14.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

198257

(ID:10777)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AB. Officer's Communication submitted 11/25/14.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

WORK COMPLETED

198294 (ID:10788)

**RESULT:** 

AC. Officer's Communication submitted 11/25/14.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

198422

(ID:10876)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AD. Order

By Ald. McWatters

198650 (ID:11237) That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if there is an adequate sight line for motorists turning left onto Central Street from Oxford Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AE. Order

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

198726 (ID:11439) The Directors of Traffic and Parking and SPCD inform this Board of the notification plans to residents, property owners and businesses, regarding changes to the parking regulations along Medford Street in conjunction with the Mass DOT McGrath Highway project

the Mass DOT McGrath Highway project.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AF. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 3/26/15.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

198779 (ID:11301)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AG. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 3/12/15.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 3/12/15

198780 (ID:11300)

(ID:11508)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AH. Order 198924 By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly

That the Traffic Engineer arrange for two lanes at the intersection of Shore Drive and Mystic Avenue and report to the Traffic Commission on efforts to

re-calibrate the signalization there.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AI. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198946 (ID:11589) That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the traffic flow on Medford Street, from Pearl Street to McGrath Highway, to flow with the rush

hour traffic.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AJ. Order

By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan

198958 (ID:11605) That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint appropriate roadway markings at the speed bump on Shore Drive to alert drivers as they approach it.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AK. Order

By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin

198959 (ID:11606) That the Traffic Engineer examine the rotary at Grand Union Blvd. and River Road for safety and install appropriate signage.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AL. Order 198964 By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

(ID:11611)

That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking

install a bump out at the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order AM.

By Ald. Ballantyne

199057

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the lane arrows at the traffic

light on Holland Street, in Teele Square. (ID:11643)

> WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

AN. Order By Ald. Heuston

199060 (ID:11664) That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair and install solar flashing lights

on the pedestrian crossing sign at Washington and Hawkins Streets.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AO. Order By Ald. Heuston

199061 (ID:11665)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Joseph Street and Lincoln Parkway and install flashing lights at the STOP sign there.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

AP. Order By Ald. Heuston

199062 (ID:11666)

(ID:11674)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signage on Park Street alerting

motorists of children crossing at 44 Park Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order AO. 199065 By Ald. Sullivan, Rossetti, Heuston, McWatters, White Jr., Connolly That the Traffic Engineer review the pedestrian walkway on Somerville

Avenue at the RITE AID, and make safety improvements.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

58. Mayor's Request

199154 (ID:11678) Requesting the adoption of MGL c59 s5C 1/2, to approve an optional additional real estate tax exemption.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 58 through 64 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

59.	Mayor's Request	Requesting an appropriation of \$2,800,409 from Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund.		
	199155 (ID:11765)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
60.	Mayor's Request		ropriation of \$1,850,780 from Water Enterprise Retained ater and Sewer Stabilization Fund.	
	199156 (ID:11766)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
61.	Mayor's Request		ropriation of \$328,613 from the Parks Stabilization Fund to Service Fund for Debt Service of Park Renovations.	
	199157 (ID:11683)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
62.	Mayor's Request 199158	Fund for additiona	ropriation of \$50,000 from the Trash Transfer Stabilization l environmental engineering services for the interim re-use te Transfer facility.	
	(ID:11640)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
63.	Mayor's Request		ropriation of \$35,000 from the Parks Stabilization fund for besign work for Lincoln Park.	
	199159 (ID:11731)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
64.	Mayor's Request		ance of a grant of \$5,000 from Project Bread to the Health es Department for a mobile market model.	
	199160 (ID:11795)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee	
65.	Mayor's	Requesting to reap	point Owen Wartella to the Conservation Commission.	
	Request 199161 (ID:11624)		on requested to waive the readings of items 65 through 70 n. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED	
66.	Mayor's	Requesting to reap	point Rachel Borgatti to the Conservation Commission.	
	Request 199162 (ID:11625)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

(ID:11625)

May 14, 2015 67. Mayor's Requesting to reappoint Matthew Liebhold to the Conservation Commission. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 199163 (ID:11626) 68. Requesting to reappoint Mathias Neuber to the Conservation Commission. Mayor's Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 199164 (ID:11627) 69. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Andrew Haynes as Constable. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 199165 (ID:11681) 70. Requesting the re-appointment of Darcy Haynes as Constable. Mayor's Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 199166 (ID:11682) 71. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Berlin Haynes as Constable. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 199167 (ID:11680) COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS 72. Officer's Personnel Director responding to #198974, to provide an ethnic and racial Communication breakdown of the city's workforce and its boards and commissions. 199168 **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE (ID:11686) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

# **NEW BUSINESS**

73. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Friends of the Growing Center events, 22 Vinyl Ave, 199169 various dates and times.

(ID:11823)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 73 through 143 and approve them, except items 113, 115, 127, 128, 129 and 143. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

74. License/Permit Public Event Permit, LaRouche Political Action Committee literature distribution, locations citywide, various dates and times.

(ID:11796) **RESULT:** 

75. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Nepal Earthquake Relief Yard Sale, Seven Hills Park, 199171 May 2, 9AM-6PM.

**APPROVED** 

(ID:11821) **RESULT:** APPROVED

76.	License/Permit 199172 (ID:11822)	Public Event Permit, Nepal Earthquake Relief Yard Sale, Union Sq Plaza, May 9, 8AM-4PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
77.	License/Permit 199173		mit, St James Avenue Block Party, St James Ave from Sts, May 16, 3:30-7:30PM.	
	(ID:11797)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
78.	License/Permit 199174 (ID:11798)	adjacent sections	mit, Prospect Hill Block Party, Prospect Hill Park and of Munroe St and Prospect Hill Pkwy, May 17, Jun 27, Jul n-8PM (raindates Jun 28, Jul 26, Sep 13).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
79.	License/Permit 199175		mit, MA Motorcycle Assn Storm the State House, 9 New o Sullivan Sq, May 21, 10AM-12:45PM.	
	(ID:11799)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
80.	License/Permit 199176		mit, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets Quicksilver, Union 3, 3-7:30PM (raindate May 24).	
	(ID:11800)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
81.	199177	Public Event Per 26, 3:30-8PM (ra	mit, Arts Council Puppet Palooza, Capuano Playground, May aindate May 27).	
	(ID:11801)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
82.	82. License/Permit 199178 (ID:11802)		mit, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets EgoArt, Foss Park, PM (raindate May 31).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
83.	License/Permit 199179 (ID:11803)		mit, The Somerville Flea, Buena Vista Parking Lot, Saturdays 7:30AM-5:30PM.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
84.	License/Permit 199180	Public Event Per St, May 31, 8AM	mit, Arts Council SomDog Spring Fling, 0 New Washington I-4PM.	
	(ID:11804)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
85.	License/Permit 199181 (ID:11805)	6:30PM-11PM (1	,	
	(112.11003)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

86.	License/Permit 199182 (ID:11806)	Public Event Perm	it, Arts Council Carnaval, Jun 7, 10AM-6PM.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
87.	License/Permit 199183 (ID:11807)	Public Event Permi	it, Duhamel Education Initiative Walkathon, Jun 7, 11AM-
		RESULT:	APPROVED
88.	199184	Public Event Permi 3:30-8PM (raindate	it, Arts Council Puppet Palooza, Chuckie Harris Park, Jun 9, e Jun 11).
	(ID:11808)	RESULT:	APPROVED
89.	License/Permit 199185		it, Arts Council Dancing in the Street Jean Appolon, Seven 6:30-11PM (raindate Jun 14).
	(ID:11809)	RESULT:	APPROVED
90.	199186	Public Event Perm 16, 3:30-8PM (rain	it, Arts Council Puppet Palooza, Capuano Playground, Jundate Jun 17).
	(ID:11810)	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED
91.	199187		it, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets Michelle Marroquin, 19, 6:30-11PM (raindate Jun 20).
	(ID:11811)	RESULT:	APPROVED
92.	199188	Public Event Perm 23-Jul 21, 4-8PM.	it, OpenAir Circus classes, Nunziato Field, Tuesdays Jun
	(ID:11812)	RESULT:	APPROVED
93.	License/Permit 199189 (ID:11813)	Public Event Perm Jun 25-Jul 23, 4-8F	it, OpenAir Circus classes, Powderhouse Park, Thursdays PM.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
94.	199190		it, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets, ArtFarm at 10 5:30-11PM (raindate Jun 28).
	(ID:11814)	RESULT:	APPROVED
95.	License/Permit 199191 (ID:11815)		it, Belmont St Block Party, Belmont St from Summer St to 28, 2-8PM (raindate Jul 5).
		RESULT:	APPROVED

96. License/Permit 199192 (ID:11816)	199192	Public Event Perm 9PM.	nit, OpenAir Circus rehearsals, Hodgins Park, Jul 28-29, 4-
	RESULT:	APPROVED	
97. License/Permit 199193		Public Event Perm Jul 30-Aug 3, vari	nit, OpenAir Circus rehearsals/performances, Nunziato Field, ous times.
	(ID:11817)	RESULT:	APPROVED
98.	199194	Public Event Perm 24-27, 8AM-8PM	nit, The Wake Up To Dying Project, Seven Hills Park, Sep
	(ID:11818)	RESULT:	APPROVED
99.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, D'Allessandro Corp.
	199195 (ID:11720)	RESULT:	APPROVED
100.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Tufts Construction.
	199196 (ID:11721)	RESULT:	APPROVED
101.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, CM Conway Construction.
	199197 (ID:11722)	RESULT:	APPROVED
102.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Elzira and Luc Inc, Med #6.
	199198 (ID:11690)	RESULT:	APPROVED
103.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Roly Cab, Med #17.
	199199 (ID:11691)	RESULT:	APPROVED
104.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Wilvens Cab, Med #18.
	199200 (ID:11692)	RESULT:	APPROVED
105.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Gardy Inc., Med #19.
	199201 (ID:11693)	RESULT:	APPROVED
106.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, 32 Summer St Corp, Med #29.
	199202 (ID:11694)	RESULT:	APPROVED
107.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Raymy Inc., Med #59.
	199203 (ID:11695)	RESULT:	APPROVED

108.	License/Permit 199204 (ID:11696)	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, SLS Transportation, Med #75.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
109.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Bye Bye Cab, Med #86.	
	199205 (ID:11697)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
110.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Love Cab, Med #92.	
	199206 (ID:11698)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
111.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.	
	199207 (ID:11699)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
112.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Dewire Family Trust, 387 Washington St.	
	199208 (ID:11700)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
113.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.		
	199209 (ID:11701)	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION	
	,	FOLLOWUP:	Licenses and Permits Committee	
114.		Renewing Flamma	bles License, Shield, 620 Broadway.	
	199210 (ID:11702)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
115.	License/Permit 199211 (ID:11703)	Renewing Garage	License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	
116.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Tufts University, 26 Lower Campus Rd.	
	199212 (ID:11704)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
117.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.	
	199213 (ID:11705)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
118.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Gene Automotive Repair, 56 Joy St.	
	199214 (ID:11706)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

119.	199215	Renewing Garage License, Somerville Housing Group Trust III, 481 Columbia St.
(ID:11707)		RESULT: APPROVED
120.	License/Permit 199216 (ID:11708)	Renewing Garage License, Executive Auto Body, 30 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
121.	License/Permit 199217 (ID:11709)	Renewing Garage License, Partners Healthcare System, 21 Third Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
122.	License/Permit 199218 (ID:11710)	Renewing Garage License, Fellsway Auto Repair, 693 McGrath Hwy.  RESULT: APPROVED
123.	License/Permit 199219 (ID:11711)	Renewing Garage License, A Plus Auto Body, 297 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
124.	License/Permit 199220 (ID:11712)	Renewing Garage License, A Plus Auto Body, 295 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
125.	License/Permit 199221 (ID:11713)	Renewing Garage License, American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
126.	License/Permit 199222 (ID:11714)	Renewing Garage License, Alex Auto Body, 75 Washington St.  RESULT: APPROVED
127.	License/Permit 199223 (ID:11715)	Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 381 Washington St.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
128.	License/Permit 199224 (ID:11716)	Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 387 Washington St.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee
129.	License/Permit 199225 (ID:11717)	Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 147 Beacon St.  RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

130.		Renewing Garage I	cicense, Chris's Auto Service, 371 Highland Ave.
	199226 (ID:11718)	RESULT:	APPROVED
131.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage I	cicense, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.
	199227 (ID:11719)	RESULT:	APPROVED
132.	License/Permit	Renewing Junk Dea	aler's License, Odds and Ends, 62A Summer St.
	199228 (ID:11727)	RESULT:	APPROVED
133.	199229	Renewing Pool Tab Day St.	ole License, Flatbread Company At Sacco's Bowl Haven, 45
	(ID:11728)	RESULT:	APPROVED
134.	License/Permit 199230	Renewing Extended Broadway.	d Operating Hours License, Wang's Fast Food, 509
	(ID:11820)	RESULT:	APPROVED
135.	199231	Renewing Extended College Ave.	d Operating Hours License, Golden Light Restaurant, 24
	(ID:11723)	RESULT:	APPROVED
136.	License/Permit 199232	Renewing Extended Union Sq.	d Operating Hours License, Red House Restaurant, 24
	(ID:11724)	RESULT:	APPROVED
137.	199233	Renewing Extended Ave.	d Operating Hours License, Dunkin Donuts, 282 Somerville
	(ID:11725)	RESULT:	APPROVED
138.	License/Permit 199234 (ID:11726)	Renewing Extended Ave.	d Operating Hours License, Kmart #3486, 77 Middlesex
		RESULT:	APPROVED
139.	139. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Pat's Towing, 160 M		Parking License, Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Hwy.
	(ID:11729)	RESULT:	APPROVED
140.	License/Permit	Renewing Livery L	icense, Diamond J & M Transportation, 132 Summer St.
	199236 (ID:11730)	RESULT:	APPROVED

141. 199237

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Rincon Mexicano, 99 Broadway, 3 tables, 6 chairs.

(ID:11689)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

142. License/Permit 199238

New Junk Dealer License, Pleasant Exchange, 370 Mystic Ave., buying and selling electronics.

(ID:11687)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

143. 199239 (ID:11688)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 515B Medford St., opening nightly to 2AM.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee

144. **Public**  Tufts University responding to #198737 re: Tufts' custodial staff.

Communication 199240 (ID:11826)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

145. Citation 199241

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Technical Sergeant Warren Fencl, Grand Marshal of the 2015

Memorial Day Parade. (ID:11854)

> Alderman McLaughlin honored Staff Sergeant Warren Fencl. Alderman Sullivan commented that for many years, Warren has been in charge every Memorial Day along with other Veterans events.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

146. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199242 (ID:11787) That the Director of Finance inform this Board of revenue earned from paid advertising on city and state property for FY14 and FY15.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

147. Order 199243 By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:11788)

That the Director of Finance provide a list of active customers paying for advertising on city and state property and provide contract details, including renewal/expiration dates and other terms of their contract.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee 148. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199244 (ID:11789) That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking install traffic calming measures on Cameron Avenue and Clarendon Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

149. Order 199245 (ID:11790) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with the street paving plan for the upcoming season.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

150. Order 199246 (ID:11791) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair all the non-working street lights on Westwood Road and on Benton Road from Highland Avenue to Westwood Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

151. Order 199247 (ID:11792) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with written responses to certain requests for residential and commercial data since 2010.

Alderman White emphasized the need for data regarding the proposed zoning, the residential exemptions and the impact of possible increases on the residential property owners with the budget coming next month.

RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

152. Order 199248 (ID:11840) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of the Council on Aging consider providing transportation to local supermarkets for seniors at Cobble Hill until construction of a new corner store is complete.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Senior Services Committee

153. Mayor's Request 199249 (ID:11847) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,200,000 in a bond for the Union Square Streetscape and Utility Early Action Project.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 153 through 155 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

154. Mayor's Request 199250 (ID:11832) Requesting an appropriation of \$445,000 and authorization to borrow that amount in a bond for a comprehensive planning effort for Assembly Square.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

155. Mayor's Request 199251 (ID:11841) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$75,000 in the Law Department from its Judgments/Settlements Account to its Legal Services Account, to cover ongoing services by outside counsel.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

156. Mayor's Request 199252 (ID:11850) Requesting the acceptance of an addendum to the agreement with the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Management to extend its term until December 31, 2016.

Deputy Chief Graney explained the funding timeline and application process.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

157. Mayor's Request 199253 (ID:11851) Requesting to appear before this Board to describe the city's application for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery discretionary grant program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

158. Officer's Request 199254 (ID:11780) Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Anti-Nepotism Ordinance as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 5/7/15.

See #197785 for discussion of this item.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

159. Officer's Request 199255 (ID:11849) Director of Housing conveying an outline of the "100 Homes" initiative and requesting the opportunity to present it to this Board at its earliest opportunity.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

160. Officer's Communication 199256

(ID:11488)

Officer's Assistant City Solicitor submitting an opinion regarding amending the text of a Communication zoning amendment after a public hearing.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 160 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

161. 199257 (ID:11852)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, BA Events Let's Run and Have Fun 5K Races, Assembly Sq area, Thursdays, May 28-Oct 1, 5PM-Midnight.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 161 through 168 and approve them, except for item 161 which should be sent to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

162. 199258 (ID:11833)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Family Fun Day, Trum Field and Franey Road, Jun 27, 10AM-6PM (raindate Jun 28).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

163. License/Permit 199259 (ID:11834)

Public Event Permit, Mayor's Fireworks, Trum Field and Broadway from Medford St to Cedar St, Jul 2, 4-10:30PM (raindate Jul 3).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

164. License/Permit 199260 (ID:11835)

Public Event Permit, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets Chun Jou Tsai, City Hall Concourse, Jul 10, 6:30-11PM (raindate Jul 16).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

165. 199261 (ID:11836)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets BoSoma, Foss Park, Jul 11, 6:30-11PM (raindate Jul 12).

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED

166. 199262

License/Permit Public Event Permit, SomerStreets Seize the Summer, Highland Ave from Walnut St to Cedar St, Aug 9, 10AM-6PM.

(ID:11837)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

167. 199263 (ID:11838)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, SomerStreets Strike Up the Bands, Holland St from Davis to Teele Sqs, Sep 20, 10AM-6PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

168. 199264 (ID:11839)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, SomerStreets Monster Mashed-Up, Somerville Ave from Union Sq to Elm St, Oct 18, 10AM-6PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

#### LATE ITEMS

169. Mayor's Request 198936 (ID:11509) Requesting an appropriation of \$539,670.30 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for services in connection with the redevelopment of Union Square.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, Ballantyne

170. Order 199265 (ID:11857) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board's Committee on Housing and Community Development on negotiating with DCR to obtain public input on the design of Draw 7 Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

171. Resolution 199266 (ID:11856) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration consider holding a ceremony to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Veterans and Public Services Committee

172. Order 199267

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance that institutional master plans must require home rule petition approval from the Legislature (per a 5/7/15 Planning Staff memo).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

173. Order 199268

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD plant trees along Church Street.

(ID:11843)

(ID:11842)

RESULT: APPROVED

174. Order 199269 (ID:11844) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Hanson street sign at Village and Hanson Streets and install a ONE WAY sign for Hanson Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

175. Order By Ald. Heuston

199270 That the Commissioner of Public Works paint the fire hydrant on Lincoln (ID:11845) Parkway so it can be seen and take measures to prevent cars from parking at it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

176. Order By Ald. Heuston

199271 That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-paint crosswalk striping on (ID:11846) Somerville Avenue to distinguish the brick paved pedestrian crosswalks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent

1. Roll Call 199272 (ID:11861) Call of the Roll.

President White held a moment of silence for Edward Ciampa. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Ted Hume.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199273 (ID:11862) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 23, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 199274 (ID:11853) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Welcome Project, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary of services to Somerville's immigrant youth, adults and families.

Alderman McLaughlin explained how the Welcome Project has changed the lives of immigrant youth and adults. The President of the Welcome Project pointed out that 25 years ago, there were different cultures clashing and over time this project has helped add leadership to the neighborhood. He stated this work must continue and thanked the Aldermen for their support.

4. Citation 199275 (ID:11912) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Kiwanis Club of Somerville, which is celebrating its 90th Anniversary of community service.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 199276 (ID:11911) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) for 7 feet of conduit in Spring Street from Pole 318/1 to 595 Somerville Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Resolution 199277 (ID:11878) By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz, McLaughlin, McWatters, Ballantyne, Heuston, Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Lafuente Supporting One Fair Wage for workers in Massachusetts.

Alderman Niedergang discussed the proposed increase for tipped minimum wage from \$3.00 per hour to \$11.00 per hour. He sponsored Alex Gilberti, a restaurant worker and advocate for One Fair Wage. Mr. Gilberti explained that working for \$3.00 per hour basically gives you a zero paycheck after taxes and stated he lives on his tips. Alderman Gewirtz reiterated how unjust it is to expect workers to work for less than minimum wage. Alderman McLaughlin explained that the below minimum wage statute is an antiquated system for today's world. Alderman Sullivan stated supporting this resolution is the next step for combating wage theft for restaurant workers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Resolution 199278 (ID:11879) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Mayor's Office provide to this Board by June 11, the consultant's study on the Traffic Commission's regulations for the public process to request traffic calming measures.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order 199279 (ID:11880) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Finance report to this Board which engineering consultants have been retained for which projects from January through May, 2015, and provide copies of all such invoices to this Board by June 11.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

9. Order 199280

By Ald. Niedergang

199280 That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public (ID:11881) Works report to this Board on the placement of NO IDLING signs at all public schools.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

10. Order 199281 (ID:11882) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking or the Commissioner of Public Works prevent vehicles from parking on the east side of Cedar Street at the Community Path Extension, as automotive fluids are staining the Path Extension.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

199282 (ID:11883) That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest traffic calming measures on Pembroke Street to slow traffic that cuts through to avoid the traffic light at Central and Medford Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Order 199283 (ID:11884) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a NO PARKING spot on the south side of Vernon Street at Trull Street to allow fire engines to turn onto Trull Street, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 199284 (ID:11885) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a NO PARKING spot on both sides of Morrison Avenue at Cedar Street to relieve rush-hour congestion, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order 199285 (ID:11886) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a SLOW, CHILDREN PLAYING caution sign on Francis Street near Porter Street.

May 28, 2015 15. Order By Ald. Niedergang 199286 That the Director of Traffic and Parking place an additional 25 MPH speed (ID:11887) limit sign on each side of Porter Street between Summer and Elm Streets. **RESULT: APPROVED** 16. Order By Ald. Heuston 199287 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels and (ID:11874) roadway on Lincoln Parkway. **RESULT:** APPROVED 17. Order By Ald. Heuston 199288 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the pitted and crumbling (ID:11875) sidewalks on Hammond Street and follow up with the contractor who installed **RESULT: APPROVED** 18. Order By Ald. Heuston 199289 That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Ward 2 Alderman with an

(ID:11876) explanation regarding a patched section of roadway on Hammond Street, which was recently paved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

19. Order By Ald. Heuston 199290 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the asphalt patched sidewalk (ID:11877) panel at 3 Beacon Street.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

20. Order By Ald. McWatters 199291 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 27 Porter Street.

(ID:11888) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

21. Order By Ald. McWatters 199292 That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 17 Richdale Avenue.

(ID:11889) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

22. Order By Ald. McWatters 199293 That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass in the Craigie Street (ID:11890) park.

23. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199294 (ID:11891) That the Director of Sustainability and Environment discuss methods to reduce light pollution with dark sky lighting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Environment and Energy Special Committee

24. Order 199295 (ID:11892) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD discuss capitalizing on street repaving to bury utilities, beautify the city, and reduce the threat of power outages due to rain/snow/ice storms.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

25. Order 199296 (ID:11893) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD contact the Ward 7 Alderman to arrange a community meeting to discuss mobility around Teele Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

26. Resolution 199297

(ID:11894)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration implement a PILOT program to promote partnerships with major local non-profit institutions for fair-value voluntary PILOTs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

27. Mayor's Request 198672 (ID:11250) Requesting approval to create a Tufts University Consolidated Gift Account.

Alderman Niedergang commented the Board should be allowed to review Tufts activities, and this would not be the case if the consolidated gift account was created. Alderman McLaughlin commented that Tufts does not give back to the City. Alderman Gewirtz questioned the amount of money vs the amount of time of Tufts donations. Alderman Heuston agreed that Tufts does not step up. Alderman Sullivan brought up the firing of the Tufts janitors and the need to speak out about Tufts.

**RESULT:** NOT APPROVED. [0 TO 9]

**NAYS:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

28. Mayor's Request 198673 (ID:11249) Requesting the acceptance of a donation of \$75,000 from Tufts University for educational, recreational, or cultural purposes.

29. Citation 198940 (ID:11633) By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Seamus O'Donovan, who has been accepted to the US Naval Academy.

Alderman McWatters congratulated Seamus O'Donovan for his many achievements. Mayor Curtatone stated the O'Donovan family has a history of public service and offered his congratulations. Seamus O'Donovan thanked many family members and friends for their support.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 30. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199298 (ID:11897) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on May 27, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198985 (ID:11630) Requesting the appointment of Rebecca Schrumm to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 198986 (ID:11629) Requesting the appointment of Peter Granitsas as a Special Police Officer for the Housing Authority Police.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 198987 (ID:11522) Requesting the appointment of John Aufiero as a Special Police Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 31. ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199299 (ID:11898) Report of the Special Committee on Environment and Energy, meeting on May 21, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was discussion of a pilot program at the Healy School for unpaved areas for the playground. Also discussed were alternatives for not using bottled water at outdoor events. A pilot program for composting methods involving 1,000 households was reported.

B. Order 197977 (ID:10576) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of the Office of Sustainability implement a plan to prohibit all departments, commissions and other bodies from distributing single-serve bottles of water at meetings, events, and other functions.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 198736

(ID:11449)

(ID:11934)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment update this Board on the progress of the Curbside Composting Task Force toward developing a citywide composting program.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 199300

By Ald. McWatters

That the Administration take an inventory of water fountains in the city's parks and develop a plan to install fountains in those parks where none are present.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Order 199301 (ID:11935) By Ald. Ballantyne

**RESULT:** 

That the City Engineer, the City Solicitor and the Director of Capital Projects examine the permitting documents for 35R Lexington Avenue to determine if there is any way to encourage testing on this site.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 32. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on May 20, 2015.

Report 199302 (ID:11900)

Alderman LaFuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198674 (ID:11215) Requesting approval to declare as surplus 3 vehicles in the Fire Department.

C. Mayor's Request 198753

(ID:11326)

Requesting an appropriation of \$27,500 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of an Olympian Ice Resurfacer to replace a non-functioning Zamboni.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**APPROVED** 

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

D. Mayor's Request 198929 (ID:11498) Requesting an appropriation of \$67,188 from the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to the Fire Alarm Personal Services Account to fund a successor Collective Bargaining Agreement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

E. Mayor's Request 198981 (ID:11524) Requesting the transfer of \$2,017 within the Elections Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund a retirement payout.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 198982 (ID:11525) Requesting the transfer of \$1,000 within the Grants Development Department, from its Professional and Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account, to fund increased hours for the grant writer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 198984 (ID:11520) Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,500 grant from the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for youth violence prevention.

RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 199155 (ID:11765) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,800,409 from Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

I. Mayor's Request 199156 (ID:11766) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,850,780 from Water Enterprise Retained Earnings to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

J. Mayor's Request 199157 (ID:11683) Requesting an appropriation of \$328,613 from the Parks Stabilization Fund to the General Debt Service Fund for Debt Service of Park Renovations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

K. Mayor's Request 199158 (ID:11640) Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Trash Transfer Stabilization Fund for additional environmental engineering services for the interim re-use of the former Waste Transfer facility.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

L. Mayor's Request 199159 (ID:11731) Requesting an appropriation of \$35,000 from the Parks Stabilization fund for Engineering and Design work for Lincoln Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

M. Mayor's Request 199160 (ID:11795) Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$5,000 from Project Bread to the Health and Human Services Department for a mobile market model.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 199251 (ID:11841) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$75,000 in the Law Department from its Judgments/Settlements Account to its Legal Services Account, to cover ongoing services by outside counsel.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199303 (ID:11896) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on May 27, 2015.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He explained that several tax exemptions will make a positive monitory impact on senior citizens if properly marketed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198750 (ID:11297) Requesting an adjustment to the property exemption for seniors with respect to income and asset limits under MGL c59 s5(41C).

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

C. Mayor's Request 198927 (ID:11298) Requesting an adjustment to income limits and interest rates with respect to the senior property tax deferral under MGL c59 s5(41A).

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

D. Mayor's Request 198751 (ID:11299) Requesting an adjustment to income limits with respect to the senior work off program under MGL c59 s5 (5K).

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

E. Mayor's Request 198983 (ID:11518) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice of \$360 in the Planning Division of SPCD.

RESULT: APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 199066 (ID:11663) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,475,000 in a bond for LED Light Conversion.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

G. Mayor's Request 199154 (ID:11678) Requesting the adoption of MGL c59 s5C 1/2, to approve an optional additional real estate tax exemption.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

H. Mayor's Request 199249 (ID:11847) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,200,000 in a bond for the Union Square Streetscape and Utility Early Action Project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

I. Mayor's Request 199253 (ID:11851) Requesting to appear before this Board to describe the city's application for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery discretionary grant program.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 199304 (ID:11943) By Ald. Lafuente, Heuston, Ballantyne, White Jr.

That the Council on Aging and Assessors' Office develop an outreach program to inform senior citizens about the senior property tax deferral exemption.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Order199305(ID:11944)

By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a comprehensive financial plan to develop Union Square, including expenditures to date and future costs, by early September.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

L. Resolution 199306 (ID:11945) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Heuston, Ballantyne

That this Board supports the city's application for the TIGER grant.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 34. FLOOD FORUM SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199307 (ID:11899) Report of the Flood Forum Special Committee, meeting on May 19, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She stated due to climate change and an ancient infrastructure, flooding exposure increases, and a backflow prevention device could help and should become required in new buildings and major renovations. Short and long term goals were discussed to help mitigate flooding issues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 197624 (ID:10179) By Ald. Rossetti, Gewirtz, White Jr.

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to require backflow regulators in new construction.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Order 197637 (ID:10196) By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring developers of new residential projects to install backflow preventers to prevent combined sewer overflow during heavy rains.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

D. Order 198204 (ID:10783) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on plans for participation in the Spring 2015 regional summit on climate change.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 198205 (ID:10784) By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston, Ballantyne, McWatters

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment present a written plan to this Board to develop a vulnerability assessment and climate change mitigation and adaptation plan, especially regarding flooding in Union Square and all vulnerable areas of economic revitalization.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198323 (ID:10897) That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board where

homeowners should discharge water pumped out of basements that are flooded in the winter, to avoid water freezing on sidewalks.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 198355

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer inform the Ward 2 Alderman about flooding on Oak Street and any steps that can be taken to mitigate it.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

198388 (ID:10958)

(ID:10932)

That the Director of SPCD discuss with this Board the possibility of a curbside gardens program, similar to what other cities have done, to soak up storm water and ground water runoff.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Resolution 198970 (ID:11617) By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang

That the Administration detail a plan to mitigate flooding on the community path in the vicinity of Morrison Avenue and Highland Road.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 199063 (ID:11667) By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration provide an update to plans for the mitigation of flooding on Clark Street and Dane Avenue.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Resolution 199308

(ID:11933)

By Ald. Heuston

That this Board supports the Board of Health's petition to the State to allow the City to require back flow prevention devices below first floor fixtures in all new buildings and major renovations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 35. RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199309 (ID:11895) Report of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, meeting on May 27, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. It appears that although Ward 1 rodent sightings are down by 40%, there are still precautions needed and education is necessary.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 197223 (ID:9768) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the owner of 47 Webster Avenue to clear the rear lot of all overgrowth and debris and bait the property if evidence of rodent activity is found.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 198191 (ID:10781) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) contact the appropriate agencies to deal with rodent issues on state owned property citywide.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 198373

By Ald. McLaughlin

198373 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the 33 Franklin Street area for signs of rodent activity, and bait where needed.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 198497

(ID:11058)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the area around 74 Gilman Street for rodents.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 198973 (ID:11620) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the state streets off Broadway for rodents, and bait accordingly.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199110 (ID:11739)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the General Insulation building on Cross Street East for rodents and bait accordingly.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### VETERANS AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE 36.

A. Committee Report 199310 (ID:11901) Report of the Committee on Veterans and Public Services, meeting on May 19, 2015.

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was conversation regarding dedicating and naming a street corner, park and baseball diamond to honor former veterans. He reported on a proposal to consolidate separate veterans departments and make them regional. He discussed the possibility of a ceremony for the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam war, and finding a prominent site for the Vietnam Memorial.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

B. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

> 197016 (ID:9570)

Conveying a report of the Local Government Advisory Commission meeting, held on May 13, 2014.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's

Director of Veterans Services responding to #197016 re: the Valor Act II and Communication the creation of veterans' services districts.

197341 (ID:9728)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

198583

That the Director of Veterans Services appear before this Board to discuss

(ID:11155) previous Board orders.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. Connolly

199311 (ID:11930) That the City Clerk inform the city's state delegation that the Valor Act (HR-319), as proposed, is not in the best interest of veterans and ask that they move to defeat its passage.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

F. Resolution By Ald. Connolly

199312 (ID:11931) That the Administration work with the Director of Veterans Services to find a more suitable and prominent location for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

G. Resolution 199313

By Ald. Connolly

(ID:11932)

That the Administration consider moving the Vietnam Veterans Monument to a more prominent location on the concourse.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

37. Mayor's Request 199314 (ID:11858) Requesting approval to transfer \$10,000 from the DPW Highway Division Salaries Account to the DPW Administration Division Salaries Account to fund a year-end deficit.

President White requested to waive the readings of items 37 through 38 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

38. Mayor's Request 199315 (ID:11848)

Requesting approval to transfer \$9,277 from the Arts Council Detail Account to the Police Overtime Account to cover expenses incurred.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Finance Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

39. 199316

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Memorial Day Parade, City Hall to Veterans Cemetery, May 24, 10AM-4PM.

(ID:11905)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 39 through 58 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

40. 199317 (ID:11906)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, CAAS Head Start 50th Anniversary Celebration, Trum Field, Jun 12, 8:30AM-1:30PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

41. 199318 (ID:11907)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Boston Sikh Sangat Society Free Drink Distribution, Union Sq, Jun 13, 8AM-8PM (raindate Jun 20).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

42. 199319

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Nepali Women's Global Network Earthquake Relief Yard Sale, Union Sq Plaza, Jun 14, 11AM-7PM (raindate Jun 21).

(ID:11913) **RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

43.	License/Permit 199320 (ID:11908)	Public Event Permit, Sinha Capoeira Martial Arts Dance Performance, Prospect Hill Park, Jun 26, 6:30PM-8:15PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
44.	License/Permit 199321 (ID:11914)		mit, Nepali Women's Global Network Earthquake Relief Yard Park, Jun 27, 11AM-7PM (raindate Jun 28).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
45.	199322		mit, Portuguese American Civic League Holy Ghost Feast, 26 al 10-12, various times.	
	(ID:11915)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
46.	199323		mit, Hope Fellowship Church Grant Brown Memorial 5K area, Aug 1, 7-10AM.	
	(ID:11916)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
47.	199324	Public Event Per 7AM-1:30PM (ra	mit, Garden Club Plant Sale, Davis Sq Statue Park, Sep 19, aindate Sep 20).	
	(ID:11909)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
48.	License/Permit 199325	Public Event Per 9PM (raindate Se	mit, Arts Council Fluff Festival, Union Sq, Sep 26, Noon-ep 27).	
	(ID:11917)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
49.	License/Permit 199326 (ID:11903)	Public Event Per area, Oct 11, 6Al	mit, Charles River Alleycats Meow Mile 5K Race, Davis Sq M-Noon.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
50.	License/Permit 199327 (ID:11904)	Public Event Per area, Nov 26, 7A	mit, Road Runners Gobble Gobble Gobble 5K Race, Davis Sq M-Noon.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
51.	License/Permit		layer's License, Sean Farrell Excavation.	
	(ID:11868)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	License/Permit	Renewing Junk I	Dealer's License, Kay Jewelers, 360 Artisan Way.	
	199329 (ID:11863)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

53.	199330	Renewing Fortune Teller License, Psychic Readings by Nina, 382 Somerville Ave.		
	(ID:11866)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
54.	License/Permit		License, Jim's Heavy Duty Service, 42 Joy St.	
	(ID:11867)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
55.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	Parking License, Star Market, 275 Beacon St.	
	199332 (ID:11864)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
56.	199333	Renewing Extende Ave.	ed Operating Hours License, Kee Kar Lau, 626C Somerville	
	(ID:11865)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
57.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer's License, JR & Sons Construction.		
	199334 (ID:11869)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
58.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer's License, MT Mayo Corp.		
	199335 (ID:11870)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
59.	License/Permit	New Outdoor Seat	ing License, Ward Maps, 24 Park St. #2, 1 A-Frame sign.	
	199336 (ID:11872)		an requested to waive the readings of items 59 through 62 Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was	
		RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION	
		FOLLOWUP:	Licenses and Permits Committee	
60.	License/Permit 199337 (ID:11873)	New Outdoor Seat Ave., 1 Parklet on	ing License, Forge Baking Company, 626A Somerville street.	
		<b>RESULT:</b>	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION	
		FOLLOWUP:	Licenses and Permits Committee	
61.	License/Permit 199338	New Garage Licen	se, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave., 3 autos inside, 7	
	(ID:11871)	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION	
		FOLLOWUP:	Licenses and Permits Committee	

62. License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Bon Me Foods.

**RESULT:** 

199339

(ID:11910)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

63. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199340 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the defective lights along

(ID:11918) Grand Union Blvd. behind Home Depot.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 63 through 64 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works water all plants and grass along lower

(ID:11919) Broadway regularly.

RESULT: APPROVED

65. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199342 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the corner of Everett Avenue and

(ID:11920) Cross Street for rodents and bait accordingly.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the reading of item 65 and refer it to the Rodent Control Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

66. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan

199343 That the Administration arrange for members of the Boxing Club to park in the

(ID:11921) East Somerville Community School parking lot weekdays 4-9PM.

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Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the reading of item 66 and Alderman Sullivan requested it be referred to the Traffic and Parking Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

67. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan

199344 That the Director of Traffic and Parking limit parking permits for the Boxing (ID:11922) Club and encourage parking in the East Somerville Community School lot.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 67 through 71 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

68. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199345 That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the utility pole on the corner (ID:11923) of Pennsylvania Avenue and Cross Street East that is crooked and shooting off

sparks.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

69. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works determine if the tree at 6 Gilman 199346

(ID:11924) Terrace is a hindrance for handicapped persons.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

70. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199347 That the Director of Traffic and Parking address traffic flow issues at the

intersection of Broadway and McGrath Highway. (ID:11925)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

71. By Ald. McLaughlin Order

> 199348 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken benches in front of (ID:11926)

the Rent-a-Center on Broadway and in front of 99 Broadway.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

72. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 199349 That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded DO NOT ENTER

(ID:11927) sign on the corner of Lowell and Summer Streets.

> Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 72 through 75 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

73. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 199350 That the Chief of Police order directed patrols, during morning rush hours on (ID:11928) Summer and Lowell Streets to ensure that motorists are coming to a complete

stop at the blinking red light.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

74. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 199351 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect 19A Stone Avenue for the proper

(ID:11929) containment of trash.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

75. Order By Ald. McWatters

199352 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the metal pole and repair the cracked sidewalk panel on the corner of Summer and Lowell Streets. (ID:11940)

76. Order 199353 (ID:11937) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the Sacramento Street pedestrian underpass, set a regular cleaning schedule, and communicate that schedule to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

77. Order 199354 (ID:11938) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sink hole at 62 Marion Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

78. Resolution 199355 (ID:11939)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration institute a plan to notify and update affected residents during water main breaks, distribute bottled water to them, and check on their well-being.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

79. Order 199356 (ID:11941) By Ald. White Jr., Sullivan

That the Legislative Matters Committee work with the City Solicitor on a home rule petition to amend the City Charter by removing the restriction that registered voters may only sign nomination papers for one candidate for each municipal office (and four for alderman at large).

Alderman White recommended that the current City Charter regarding nomination papers be modernized with a home rule petition. Alderman Sullivan agreed this would open up the democratic process and make it easier for people to get on the ballot.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

80. Mayor's Request 199357 (ID:11949) Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining strategy.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:55 PM. No votes were taken in Executive Session. The Board adjourned the Session at 9:40 PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Ballantyne

81. Officer's Request 199358 (ID:11951) City Clerk requesting approval to release seven sets of Executive Session minutes as described within.

82. Officer's
Communication
199359
(ID:11677)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/9/15.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 82 through 85, place them on file, and refer them to the appropriate committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

83. Officer's
Communication
199360

(ID:11855)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Traffic and Parking Committee

84. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/14/15.

Communication 199361 (ID:11950)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

85. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 4/23/15.

(ID:11860)

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15

199362

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

86. License/Permit 199363 (ID:11946)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Mountain Ave/Conwell St Block Party, Jun 20, 2-9PM (raindate Jun 27).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 86 through 88 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

87. License/Permit

Renewing Taxi Medallion License, My Cab, Med #61.

199364 (ID:11947)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

88. License/Permit

Sign/Awning Permit, Momo n Curry, 431 Somerville Ave., 2 signs.

199365 (ID:11948)

#### LATE ITEMS

(ID:11954)

89. Resolution 199366

By Ald. Sullivan, and the Entire Board

Supporting the Ryan Harrington Foundation and its efforts throughout the community.

Alderman Sullivan sponsored David Harrington to speak about the loss of his son Ryan to drug addiction. Mr. Harrington spoke about a Night of Hope and Awareness he is organizing, and he hopes people will take advantage for themselves and/or family members. He emphasized hope and awareness for a disease that is out of control.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

90. Order 199367

By Ald. McWatters

(ID:11952)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the sewers on Grand View Avenue for rodents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

91. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199368 (ID:11953) That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the area on McGrath Highway behind 3 Chester Avenue for rodent activity, issue fines as indicated, and direct the property owner to clean and bait the area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

92. Order 199369

By Ald. Gewirtz

(ID:11955)

That the Commissioner of Public Works immediately assess the stability of the listing utility pole at 6 Windsor Road and act expeditiously to remediate the double pole.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Absent	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 199370 Call of the Roll.

199370 (ID:11976)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**CITATIONS** 

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

2. Mayor's Request 199371 (ID:11958) Requesting an appropriation of \$195,959,717 to fund the Somerville Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016.

Mayor Joseph Curtatone presented the Fiscal Year 2016 budget. The new budget is a snapshot of future goals, and he reflected on some of the accomplishments that took place this past year, including the schools, youth programs, and core services. He stated new challenges must be taken on to make Somerville an exceptional city to live, work and raise a family in. The Mayor reiterated that people want to be part of the community because of its priorities, values, and investments. President White had some questions and concerns regarding some of the projections, in particular the property tax levies. Alderman Rossetti had concerns and questions on PILOT payments and suggested that the Board become more involved in the discussions. Alderman Heuston had questions on construction assessments and fiscal year payment dates. Alderman Lafuente questioned the timeline of the Partners PILOT. Alderman Ballantyne had a question on the projected new growth for Fiscal Year 2016.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

3. Mayor's Request 199372 (ID:11970) Requesting an appropriation of \$19,778,865 to fund the FY2016 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

4. Mayor's Request 199373 (ID:11971) Requesting an appropriation of \$12,469,430 for the FY2016 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

5. Mayor's Request 199374 (ID:11959)

Requesting an appropriation of \$3,500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to reduce the FY2016 Tax Levy.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 5 through 38 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

6. Mayor's Request 199375 (ID:11973) Requesting an appropriation of \$3,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

7. Mayor's Request 199376 (ID:11972) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

8. Mayor's Request 199377 (ID:11968) Requesting to appropriate or reserve \$1,890,020 in estimated FY2016 CPA revenue for CPA projects and expenses per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

9. Mayor's Request 199378 (ID:11969) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Preservation Act Fund to fund community preservation projects.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

10. Mayor's Request 199379 (ID:11964) Requesting an appropriation of \$888,200 to fund the FY16 Veterans Memorial & Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

11. Mayor's Request 199380 (ID:11936) Requesting to transfer \$250,000 from various Personal Services accounts to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

12. Mayor's Request 199381 (ID:11963) Submitting an appropriation of \$185,000 to fund the FY2016 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

13. Mayor's Request 199382 (ID:11966) Requesting an appropriation of \$140,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Fire Department Overtime account to alleviate a year end deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

14. Mayor's Request 199383 (ID:11974) Requesting an appropriation of \$118,060 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to various SPCD accounts to eliminate several long-standing deficits.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

15. Mayor's Request 199384 (ID:11965) Requesting an appropriation of \$115,000 from the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY16 Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

16. Mayor's Request 199385 (ID:11975) Requesting an appropriation of \$27,600 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Dilboy Enterprise Fund to mitigate a revenue deficit in FY2015.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

17. Mayor's Request 199386 (ID:11961) Requesting authorization to establish the SomerTime Departmental Revolving Fund for FY2016.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

18. Mayor's Request 199387 (ID:11960) Requesting authorization to establish the Shape Up Somerville Mobile Farmers Market Departmental Revolving Fund for FY2016.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

19. Mayor's Request 199388 (ID:11962) Requesting the reauthorization of Departmental Revolving Funds for FY2016.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS** 

20. Officer's Request 199389 (ID:11967) City Clerk submitting recommendations for adjustments to certain fees charged by the City Clerk's Office, effective July 1, 2015.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

21. Mayor's Request 199390 (ID:11996) Requesting approval to appropriate \$233,446 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

22. Mayor's Request 199391 (ID:11995) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to fund needed capital projects.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

23. Mayor's Request 199392 (ID:11994) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

24. Mayor's Request 199393 (ID:11977) Requesting a transfer totaling \$125,000 from two SPCD ISD Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

25. Mayor's Request 199394 (ID:11980) Requesting a transfer of \$36,000 from the Capital Projects Management Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

26. Mayor's Request 199395 (ID:11988) Requesting a transfer of \$33,000 from the SPCD Inspectional Services Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

27. Mayor's Request 199396 (ID:11989) Requesting a transfer of \$29,836 from the SPCD Planning Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

28. Mayor's Request 199397 (ID:11979) Requesting a transfer of \$26,000 from the Treasury Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

29. Mayor's Request 199398 (ID:11992) Requesting a transfer of \$23,000 from the SPCD Transportation and Infrastructure Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 199399 (ID:11986) Requesting a transfer of \$21,456 from the Auditing Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

31. Mayor's Request 199400 (ID:11991) Requesting a transfer of \$20,000 from the SPCD Housing Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 199401 (ID:11984) Requesting a transfer of \$13,767 from the Assessing Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

33. Mayor's Request 199402 (ID:11990) Requesting a transfer of \$11,163 from the SPCD Administration and Finance Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

34. Mayor's Request 199403 (ID:11981) Requesting a transfer of \$10,000 from the Council on Aging Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

35. Mayor's Request 199404 (ID:11985) Requesting a transfer of \$9,700 from the Veterans Services Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 199405 (ID:11987) Requesting a transfer of \$9,308 from the E-911 Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

37. Mayor's Request 199406 (ID:11978) Requesting a transfer of \$8,077 from the Somerpromise Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

38. Mayor's Request 199407 (ID:11993) Requesting a transfer of \$3,000 from the Redevelopment Authority Salaries Monthly Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

## LATE ITEMS

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199408 (ID:12029) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Ballantyne held a moment of silence for Salvatore Ciccariello and Stephen Pietrantoni. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Frank Simeone. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Anthony Miele. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Ernestina Alicandro.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199409 (ID:12030) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 14, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Withdrawn 199410 (ID:12031) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

4. Citation 199411 (ID:12032) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Dr. Alan Titelbaum, a long-time Somerville health care provider, who has partnered with the School Department to make eyeglasses available to children who could not otherwise afford them.

Alderman Connolly recognized the outstanding community service provided by Dr. Titelbaum. Dr. Titelbaum commended the school nurses for uncovering students' vision problems and asking for his help.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 199412 (ID:12033) Submitted by Eversource, to install 29 feet of conduit in Pitman St., from Pole 281/4 to 40 Pitman St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy of Eversource announced the withdrawal of the petition. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN** 

6. Grant of Location 199413 (ID:12034) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks, to install 84 feet of conduit in Elm St., from Manhole 0515/3105 to 212 Elm St.

The President opened the public hearing. Bob Lofton of Lightower Networks gave a presentation on the work that needs to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Resolution 199414 (ID:12004) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Administration, with the Fire and Police Departments, compile a report, by July 31, 2015, of "needed assistance" calls made by each tax-exempt facility over the past 2 years. (2nd request)

Alderman Rossetti is frustrated that she is still waiting to hear on the response to her earlier request, and set a deadline of July 31, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

8. Order 199415 (ID:12005) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the signage on side streets that only allow access to abutters at certain times of the day, by changing the word abutters to residents.

Alderman Rossetti explained the frustration a resident brought to her attention on how difficult it is for him to get home from work every night. Alderman Heuston countered there is the potential of thousands of cars using cut throughs and that would defeat the purpose of the restrictions.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

9. Order 199416 (ID:12006) By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) routinely inspect the neighboring grounds of Matignon High School to ensure that proper lawn maintenance is performed, so as not to become a breeding ground for rodents.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order 199417 (ID:12007) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board why many grass athletic playing fields are in poor condition, as compared with the excellent condition of Trum Field, and explain the resources and strategy of the DPW's turf maintenance operation.

Alderman Niedergang said there is no reason why one particular field should be in much better condition that the rest of the fields.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 199418 (ID:12008) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Recreation report to this Board by the end of June on using the Trum Field outfield for youth soccer league games on Saturdays in the Fall of 2015.

# RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order 199419 (ID:12009) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Capital Projects and/or the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board and the Ward 5 Alderman regularly on the testing for contamination of groundwater from 154 Cedar Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

13. Order 199420 (ID:12010) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Capital Projects and/or the Director of Sustainability and Environment report to this Board whether contaminated groundwater from underneath 154 Cedar Street may be getting into the pools of standing water beside the Community Path west of Cedar Street.

Alderman Niedergang advised there is an engineering firm looking into the contamination. Alderman Ballantyne announced the reports from the engineering company Vertex would be available by mid July.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

14. Order 199421 (ID:12011) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Capital Projects update the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board by the end of June on progress in resolving the drainage issues at 35R Lexington Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. Order 199422 By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the parking and trash area that opens (ID:12012) onto Lowell Street, behind Modelo Bakery and White Sport Pizza in Magoun

Square for signs of rodent activity and take appropriate action.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

16. Order 199423 By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the roadway on Lowden

Avenue between Kidder Avenue and Broadway. (ID:12016)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

17. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

199424

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove and replace the dead tree at

225 Morrison Avenue. (ID:12017)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

18. Order By Ald. White Jr.

199425 (ID:12018) That the City Auditor prepare a list of all no bid contracts for goods and services in excess of \$25,000 currently in force.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

19. Resolution By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

199426 That this Board supports MA House Bills 2870 and 2871, which seek to reduce (ID:12019) gas leaks in the Commonwealth.

> Alderman White discussed the reasons why the gas companies are not so quick to look for gas leaks. Alderman Heuston said that gas leaks are impacting the environment, including trees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

199427

(ID:12028)

Acting as President, Renaming the Special Committee on Environment and Energy as the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy.

President White said that Alderman Heuston had suggested naming a committee for open space issues. Alderman Niedergang thanked her for the proposal since open space is so valuable. Alderman Heuston encourages constituents to send in any issues regarding field space and open space.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199428

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 4, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated there was discussion on the new zoning and the impact it would have on affordable housing and open spaces.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order B.

By Ald. White Jr.

199429 (ID:12000)

(ID:12015)

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide copies of the proposed new zoning public comments to all Aldermen, within 3 weeks.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

C. Order 199430 By Ald. White Jr.

(ID:12001)

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide the responses to the proposed new zoning public comments to this Board by August 21.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

## LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199431 (ID:12014) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on June 3, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was discussion regarding the use of a lift at Mass Inspection, as well as their used car dealers license. President White questioned the need for the lift to perform state car inspections.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

В. 199239

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 515B Medford St., opening nightly to 2AM.

(ID:11688)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

C. 199336

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Ward Maps, 24 Park St. #2, 1 A-Frame sign.

(ID:11872)

**RESULT: APPROVED**  D. 199337

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Forge Baking Company, 626A Somerville Ave., 1 Parklet on street.

(ID:11873)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

E. 199338

License/Permit New Garage License, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave., 3 autos inside, 7 outside

(ID:11871)

**RESULT:** APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS CONDITION: No lifts are to be used on the premises.

#### SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE 23.

A. Committee Report 199432 (ID:12013) Report of the Committee on Senior Services, meeting on June 1, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated there were 18 specific items discussed including free resident parking stickers for seniors, pedestrian safety concerns at Union Square and other areas, tax work off programs, fit to life programs and healthcare.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

B. Resolution 190220 (ID:2490)

By Ald. Connolly

That this Board requests that the Traffic Commission consider re-instating the policy of providing free resident parking stickers for residents 60 years old and older.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 190693 (ID:2986) By Ald. Roche, Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the two street lights on Skilton Avenue, along the tracks closest to 240 Pearl Street, are continually illuminated, and that the Chief of Police monitor the area on a regular basis, from dusk to dawn, for individuals gathered there.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 190885 (ID:3188)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That this Board supports the Mayor in conducting a thorough investigation of the allegations pertaining to the Council on Aging, and urges that the findings of this investigation be reported to the Senior Services Committee.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

E. Order 190905 (ID:3240) By Ald. Taylor, Sullivan

That the Chief of Police coordinate with the Housing Authority Police to enforce "Resident & Visitor Only" parking at 114 Highland Avenue, 252 Medford Street and 13 Warren Avenue.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution By Ald. Taylor

191363 (ID:3703)

That this Board requests that the Administration investigate establishing a Seasonal Senior Clean Up Program in specific areas, for not more than 19 hours per week, to provide a stipend in conjunction with the Senior Tax Write-Off Program.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Resolution 192149

By Ald. Trane, and the Entire Board

That this Board stands opposed to the proposed increase in the Medicare eligibility age currently being debated in Congress.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

H. Order By Ald. Roche, White Jr., Sullivan

192159 (ID:4529)

(ID:4507)

That the Director of the Council on Aging update the Senior Services Committee of any personnel changes, programming changes and number of regular attendee changes for each senior center.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 192281 (ID:4639)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Connolly, Desmond, Taylor, Heuston That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the city's Traffic Engineer appear before this Board's Committee on Senior Services to address pedestrian safety concerns in Union Square.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Officer's Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.

Communication 192327 (ID:4654)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

K. Officer's Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.

Communication 192611 (ID:4982)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

L. Officer's Communication

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.

192685 (ID:5053) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 194842 By Ald. Taylor

(ID:7371)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking lengthen the pedestrian WALK signal in Union Square beginning at the corner of Warren Avenue/Bow Street and continuing to Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

N. Officer's Communication 195028

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:7466)

O. Order 195760 By Ald. Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) enforce the restriction against allowing dogs in the park beside 252 Pearl Street and report back to the Committee on Senior Services.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

P. Officer's

(ID:8284)

Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting a response to #195685 re: the Communication intersection of Franklin Street and Broadway.

196052 (ID:8311)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

Q. Resolution 198440 (ID:11029) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That this Board supports the Don't Leave Seniors Behind Healthcare Campaign of the MA Senior Action Council.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

R. Order By Ald. Niedergang

198504 (ID:11085)

That the Directors of Constituent Services and the Council on Aging work with the Mayor's Office to develop a more robust program for low-cost shoveling for low-income seniors and people with disabilities who can't shovel or pay market rates.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

S. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199248 (ID:11840)

That the Director of the Council on Aging consider providing transportation to local supermarkets for seniors at Cobble Hill until construction of a new corner store is complete.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

24. Mayor's Request 199433 (ID:11998) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$250,000 in a bond for two Hybrid DPW Refuse Trucks.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 24 through 27 and 29 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

25. Mayor's Request 199434 (ID:12002)

Requesting a transfer of \$54,351 from the Salary Contingency Account to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

26. Mayor's Request 199435 (ID:11999) Requesting a transfer of \$12,000 from the Schools Salaries Account to the DPW Electrical Lines and Lights Overtime Account for electrical work at the Cummings School.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

27. Mayor's Request 199436 (ID:11902) Requesting approval to pay prior fiscal year invoices in the Dept. of Public Works totalling \$5,544.29.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

28. Mayor's Request 199437 (ID:12025) Requesting the acceptance of a Metro North Regional Employment Board Summer Youth Works grant of \$39,300 for summer youth employment.

Nancy Bacci, Director of Human Services, explained this grant would allow 24 young people to obtain work for 20 hours a week for six weeks, for Somerville youth exclusively.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Mayor's Request 199438 (ID:11859) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,000 from the Housing Authority for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 199439 (ID:11956) Requesting the reappointment of Laura Saunders to the Library Board of Trustees.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 30 and 31 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

31. Mayor's Request 199440 (ID:11957) Requesting the reappointment of June Pietrantoni to the Library Board of Trustees.

RESULT: APPROVED

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

## **NEW BUSINESS**

32. License/Permit 199442 (ID:12044)

License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Tufts Mayer Campus Center, 44 Professors Row.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 32 through 39 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

33. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Newbury St. Block Party, Aug 15, 12-7PM (raindate Aug 199441 22). (ID:12035) **RESULT: APPROVED** 34. License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Tufts Tisch Library Cafe, 35 199443 Professors Row. (ID:12045) **RESULT: APPROVED** License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Somerville Hospital, 230 Highland Ave. 35. 199444 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12043) Renewing Garage License, Teddy's Foreign Motors, 68 Joy St. 36. License/Permit 199445 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12042) 37. License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, KB Aruda Construction. 199446 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12041) 38. License/Permit New Drainlayer License, NCCL Enterprises. 199447 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12040) 39. New Outdoor Seating License, Tenoch Mexican, 382 Highland Ave., 2 tables, License/Permit 199448 4 chairs. (ID:12039) **RESULT: APPROVED** 40. License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Dino's Market. 199449 Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 40 through 42 (ID:12037) and refer them to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 41. License/Permit Amending Garage License Application, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave., 199450 seeking use of the on-premises lift. (ID:12036) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Licenses and Permits Committee

**FOLLOWUP:** 

42. 199451

License/Permit Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave., extending to 654 Mystic Ave. with 16 vehicles outside.

(ID:12038)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

**Public** 43. 199452 (ID:11997)

Good Jobs Somerville and the NE Regional Council of Carpenters expressing Communication concern about FRIT's selection of Callahan Inc. as its general contractor for Assembly Row Parcel 6.

> Alderman McLaughlin sponsored Mr. Wilson from the NE Regional Council of Carpenters, who spoke concerning the reasons why Callahan Construction should not be hired by FRIT to construct a 148 unit high rise tower. He tied in the tragedy of the accident at Assembly Square and the need for a competent construction firm. Callahan Construction has a reputation of shoddy construction and using non union workers which is against the principles of Somerville. Mr. Wilson attended a FRIT shareholders meeting that gave glowing information regarding FRIT's financial status. Despite FRIT telling this Board that they could not afford to hire union workers, they told the shareholders how much money was being made at Assembly Square. Mr. Wilson reiterated that Assembly Square is a publicly supported project with substantial public investment. He suggested that the mayor request weekly reports from Callahan Construction regarding the number of hours being worked and the salaries of the workers.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Housing and Community Development Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

44. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199453 That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pothole at 78 Woods Avenue.

(ID:12020)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

45. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> That the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 56 Sunset Road for the storage of a couch 199454 (ID:12021) on the front porch.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

46. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199455 That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass on Inner Belt Road.

> > **APPROVED**

(ID:12046) **RESULT:** 

47. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199456 That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a traffic study on Lincoln and Perkins Streets and propose traffic calming measures. (ID:12047)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 48. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199457 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the proprietor of the liquor store at 78 (ID:12048) Broadway to remove the trash from the front of the building and issue fines

where appropriate.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

49. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the weeds on Edmond and 199458

Dana Streets. (ID:12049)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

50. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199459 That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks along

Pennsylvania Avenue. (ID:12050)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

51. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 199460 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 16 Homer

(ID:12051) Square.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

52. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 199461 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees in Palmacci Park,

(ID:12052) especially the tree blocking the yellow pedestrian crossing sign.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

53. Order By Ald. Heuston

199462

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install solar blinking lights at the

pedestrian crossing at 270 Washington Street. (ID:12053)

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

54. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 199463 That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider traffic calming measures to reduce the speed of vehicles around Hoyt-Sullivan Park, including applying to (ID:12054)

reduce the speed limit on the entirety of Central Street to 20 or 25 mph.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Traffic and Parking Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

55. Mayor's Request 199464 (ID:12026) Requesting the creation of the MillBrook Stabilization Fund and acceptance of a mitigation payment to the Fund of \$47,770 from Berkeley Investments Inc., for sidewalk improvements.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

56. Officer's 199465

Finance Director responding to #199279 re: Engineering consultants and Communication invoices, Jan-May, 2015.

(ID:12024)

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 56 place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

57. License/Permit 199466 (ID:12058)

Public Event Permit, Josephine Avenue Block Party, from Morrison to Kidder, Jun 13, 2-9:30PM (raindate Jun 14).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 61 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

58. License/Permit 199467

Public Event Permit, School of Honk Open House, Seven Hills Park, Jun 21, 1-7PM.

(ID:12059)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. License/Permit 199468

Public Event Permit, Wayside Youth and Family Support Network HIV Testing Day, Davis Square Statue Park, Jun 27, 11AM-5PM.

(ID:12060)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

60. License/Permit 199469

Public Event Permit, Bay State Avenue Block Party, from Foskett to Kidder, Jul 16, 5-10PM (raindate Jul 17).

(ID:12057)

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

61. 199470

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, La Brasa, 124 Broadway, 13 tables, 26 chairs.

(ID:12056)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

LATE ITEMS

62.

License/Permit Public Event Permit, St. James Ave Block Party, Jun 28, 3-8PM.

199471

**RESULT:** (ID:12064)

**APPROVED** 

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199472 (ID:12100) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Ronald Morse II.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199473 (ID:12101) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 28, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 199474 (ID:12105) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending School Superintendent Tony Pierantozzi, who is retiring after ten years of outstanding service to the entire community.

Aldermen White and Rossetti commended Tony Pierantozzi for his accomplishments, and School Committee Chair Adam Sweeting said that the Somerville school district was the top performing urban district in the State under his direction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

4. Citation 199475 (ID:12106)

By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr., McWatters, Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Community Cooks, which is celebrating its 25th year of providing the neediest members of our community with home-cooked meals.

Danielle Levine, the Executive Director, explained this organization was a grass roots movement that has gone from a few neighbors preparing a home cooked meal once a month to 700 cooks serving over 3,000 meals a month to 33 non-profit organizations in the greater Boston area.

RESULT: APPROVED

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 199476 (ID:12108) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) to relocate Pole #316/8 and install 61 feet of conduit in South Street from that pole to a point of pickup at 47 Hunting St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 199477 (ID:12109) Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) to install 40 feet of conduit in Florence Street from Pole #127/7 to a point of pickup at Symphony Park.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 199478 (ID:12110) Submitted by Teleport Communications America to install 18 feet of conduit from an existing manhole to a point of pickup at 252 Medford St.

The President opened the public hearing. Bob Gilday of Siena Engineering discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

8. Resolution 199479 (ID:12094) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration update this Board on taking control of Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields from the State.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

9. Order 199480 (ID:12066) By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

That the Director of Health and Human Services provide a revised job description, job expectations and performance measurements for the previously grant funded Somerville Cares About Prevention positions.

Alderman McLaughlin stated although there are many positive resources available for opiate addiction, there is still the need for prevention and outreach. He feels that this position, no longer grant funded, should have higher accountabilities and expectations, and he will not wait another year for results. Alderman Rossetti agreed that job descriptions should monitored.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

10. Order 199481 (ID:12067) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken sidewalk at 8 Mount Pleasant Street.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 199482 (ID:12068) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works dispatch the street sweeper to clean Pearl Street.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 199483 (ID:12069) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works and/or the Director of SPCD (ISD), direct contractors to communicate with abutters if construction goes over schedule.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 12 through 16 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 199484 (ID:12072) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass DOT about excessive trash on the train tracks by Walnut Street.

## RESULT: APPROVED

14. Order 199485 (ID:12071) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the dumpster on Indiana and Pennsylvania Avenues for violations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15.	Order 199486 (ID:12070)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the alleyway between the Edgerly School and houses on Otis Street.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
16. Order 199487 (ID:12093)		By Ald. McLaug That the Director rodents.	hlin of SPCD (ISD) bait the area around 12 Melvin Street for	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
17. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan 199488 That the Director of Traffic and Parking insta (ID:12080) Street at Edgar Avenue.		of Traffic and Parking install a ONE WAY sign on Jaques		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
18. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan 199489 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at (ID:12081) clear all the wires going through it.		ssioner of Public Works trim the tree at 14 Grant Street to		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
19.	Order 199490 (ID:12082)	By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works repair two lights at the entrance to the Edgerly School.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
20.	By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan 199491 That the Director of SPCD (ISD) remove any illegal banners on th (ID:12084) the Subway at 275 Broadway.		of SPCD (ISD) remove any illegal banners on the sidewalk at	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
199492 That		•	e, White Jr., Sullivan of SPCD (ISD) remove any illegal banners from Dentalplant	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
22.	Order 199493 (ID:12085)	•	e, White Jr., Sullivan of SPCD (ISD) inspect the yards at 55-57 and 59-61 Edgar es.	
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED	

23. Resolution 199494

(ID:12089)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Administration inform residents and neighbors on lower Newberne Street about the MWRA's TV pipe testing and plans to mitigate flooding.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Resolution 199495 (ID:12090)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Administration add Meacham Street to the re-paving list.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. Order 199496 (ID:12091) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works place more metal trash barrels on Highland Avenue, between Cedar and Walnut Streets, and report to the Ward 5 and Ward 3 Aldermen on where they will be placed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 199497 (ID:12092) By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works empty trash barrels on weekends and holidays on the Community Path, especially around Lexington Park and in Davis Square, and report to this Board on trash collection from public receptacles on weekends and holidays.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 199498 (ID:12095) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing trash barrels on Broadway at Liberty and Lowden Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Resolution 199499 (ID:12096) By Ald. Gewirtz, Connolly

That the Administration begin charging rent, or additional charges, to the owner of 240 Elm Street for every day his scaffolding remains on the public way.

Alderman Gewirtz emphasized there are serious problems at Davis Square due to the scaffolding that is still on the building which is unsafe and at risk of collapse. She said the city should consider taking possession of this building. Alderman Connolly reiterated the businesses in the square are being affected, and the city should be aggressive in pursuing action. Alderman Sullivan commented that this is an unacceptable situation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

29. Order 199500 (ID:12097) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) arrange a meeting with the Ward 2 alderman to discuss zoning and planning at Boynton Yards.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Order

199501

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:12098)

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the owner of 407 Washington Street to trim the overgrowth, and trim the trees that are blocking city signs and traffic

signals.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 31.

By Ald. McWatters

199502 (ID:12099) That the Director of SPCD (T&I) plant trees at 112 Belmont Street and 18

Richdale Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. Order By Ald. White Jr.

199503 (ID:12102) That the Fields Task Force Recommendations (#197711) be transferred from the Youth Services Committee to the Special Committee on Open Space,

Environment and Energy for follow-up.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

33. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

199504

Acting as President, cancelling the Regular meetings of this Board that were

(ID:12104) scheduled for July 23, 2015, and August 13, 2015.

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE 34.

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 8, 2015.

199505

(ID:12073)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### 35. FINANCE COMMITTEE

Committee A. Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 9, 2015.

199506

**RESULT:** (ID:12074)

APPROVED

#### 36. FINANCE COMMITTEE

(ID:12075)

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 10, 2015.

199507

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

## 37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199508 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 15, 2015.

199508 (ID:12076)

RESULT: APPROVED

# 38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199509 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 16, 2015.

199509 (ID:12077)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 39. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199510 (ID:12078) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 18, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 40. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199511 (ID:12079) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 22, 2015.

Ald. Heuston recused on the DPW Administration Division budget.

Ald. Sullivan recused on the Traffic and Parking Department budget.

Ald. Rossetti recused on the Communications Department budget, the Executive SomerStat Division budget, and non-union compensation.

Ald. McLaughlin recused on the Teen Empowerment Program budget.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed during the FY16 budget hearings. Alderman White reported on the concerns of residents that there is no property tax relief from the new growth in the city. He stated that of the top 20 communities in the State, Somerville had the 3rd highest property tax increase, although in per capita spending Somerville is one of the lowest. Alderman Rossetti expressed concern about how little revenue comes from the PILOT program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 199512 (ID:12131) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD bring to this Board within two months a plan and budget request for at least \$50,000 for the successful First Source Jobs Training Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Order 199513 (ID:12133) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Commissioner of Public Works develop a maintenance plan for all grass athletic fields and submit a request for funding to this Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

D. Order 199514 (ID:12128)

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Chief of Police report monthly to this Board the number of individuals and families assisted by the Coordinator of Addiction and Mental Health, including follow-up referrals, to ensure proper aftercare.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Order 199515 (ID:12136) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Commissioners of Public Works and Recreation coordinate efforts, as recommended by the Fields Task Force report of 9/10/14, and report back to this Board by September, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Order 199516 (ID:12142) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board monthly on the Beacon Street reconstruction project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

G. Resolution 199517 (ID:12129) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the Veterans Service Department remain autonomous and separate from the Health and Human Services Department.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Veterans and Public Services Committee

H. Resolution 199518

(ID:12130)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the city waive the fee charged for field use for local youth oriented programs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

I. Resolution 199519 (ID:12132) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Mayor pursue negotiations with DCR for control of Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields and share regular updates with this Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

J. Resolution 199520 (ID:12134) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Administration prioritize a public health initiative to control the opiate abuse epidemic, including nearby health and educational institutions and any other available resources.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

K. Resolution 199521 (ID:12135) By Ald. Rossetti, White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Administration explain to this Board in writing the method used to select the High School Owner's Project Manager and why the School Building Committee did not vote on the hire.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Resolution 199522

(ID:12137)

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Administration examine safety services at Assembly Row, in light of the previously unanticipated development of Partner's Health Care and Hotel, and report back to this Board by September, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

M. Resolution 199523

By Ald. Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Heuston, McLaughlin,

Gewirtz, McWatters, Lafuente, White Jr.

(ID:12138) That the Traffic Commission reconsider its recent votes to double the guest parking pass fee and to increase the fee of resident parking permits.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

N. Resolution 199524

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration explore ways to reduce the cost of mail services.

(ID:12139)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

O. Resolution 199525

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:12140)

That a detailed report of all unexpended funds for the prior two years be provided by each department during future fiscal year budget presentations and

reviews.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

P. Resolution 199526 (ID:12141) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Administration develop a comprehensive open space plan, identifying new open space, athletic field space, and upkeep.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

41. Mayor's Request 199527 (ID:12065) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$550,000 in a bond for betterments and improvements to the East Broadway streetscape.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 199528 (ID:12088) Requesting the approval of an appropriation of \$5,824.15 from the Capital Equipment Stabilization Fund to purchase new seating for the public's use in the Aldermanic Chambers.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 42 and 44 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 199529 (ID:12107)

Requesting the appropriation of \$876 in unused bond funds for the purchase of DPW vehicles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

44. Mayor's Request 199530 (ID:12061)

Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from the Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural and Art in the Garden programs.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

45. Officer's 199531

Finance Director conveying the items currently in this Board's Committee on Communication Finance that are associated with the approval of the city's FY 2016 budget.

(ID:12103)

City Clerk John Long read the items, and added #199384, which had been inadvertently omitted from the list. All of the items were discharged from the Finance Committee and acted on individually as late items.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

46. Officer's 199532 (ID:12023)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #199123 re: short-term rental room Communication occupancy excise taxes and possible zoning implications.

> Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 46 and refer it to the Land Use Committee and item 47 and refer it to Legislative Matters. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee 47. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #199356 re: home rule petition to Communication remove the restriction on signing nomination papers.

199533 (ID:12022)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

48. 199534

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Warner Brothers filming "Central Intelligence", Magoun Sq., Jun 29-Jul 1, various times.

(ID:12111)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 48 through 52 and items 54 and 55 and approve them, and to refer items 53, 56 and 57 to the License and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

49. 199535

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Great Urban Campout, Lincoln Park, Jul 24-25, 12Noon-12Noon (raindate Jul 25-26).

(ID:12112)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

50. License/Permit 199536

Renewing Drainlayer's License, Atlantic Excavation and Utility.

(ID:12113)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

51. 199537

License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Elysse Corp., Med #48.

(ID:12114)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

52. License/Permit 199538

Renewing Open Air Vendor License, Next Wave/Full Circle School, Foss Park

(ID:12116)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. License/Permit 199539

New Outdoor Seating License, KIrkland Tap and Trotter, 425 Washington St., Occupying 2 parking spaces for a charcoal grill on weekends, Jun-Oct.

(ID:12118)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

License/Permit 54. 199540

Sign/Awning Permit, Kaya Beauty Spa Salon, 92 Highland Ave, 2 signs.

(ID:12119)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

55. License/Permit 199541 (ID:12120)

Sign/Awning Permit, Mr. Crepe, 49 Davis Sq, 2 awnings.

Ald. Lafuente recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED 56. 199542

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Kmart, 77 Middlesex Ave, Seeking to operate Dec 19-23, 24 hours/day.

(ID:12115)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

57. 199543 (ID:12117)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville Ave, Opening Sun-Thu to 1AM, Fri-Sat to 3AM.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board and the Mayor 58. Citation 199544 Congratulating Angela Hager as she celebrates her 100th birthday.

Alderman Rossetti commented that Angela Hager moved to Somerville at 90

years old to care for her ill son.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. Order By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente

199545 (ID:12146)

(ID:12127)

That the Finance Committee examine the impact of the continued practice of balancing the city's budget by raising property taxes to the maximum permitted under Proposition 2 1/2, and explore ways for this Board to engage earlier in the budget process.

**RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

60. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199546

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree in front of 172 North

(ID:12122) Street.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

61. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199547 (ID:12123)

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD work with Eversource to remove the unsafe telephone poles secured to rotting trees on

Woods Street at North Street, and on Barton Street at Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

62. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199548

That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the broken pedestrian lights at

North Street and Powderhouse Blvd. (ID:12124)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

63. Order 199549

(ID:12125)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD dispatch the Neighborhood Impact Team to 22 Richdale Avenue for code violations and report back to the Ward 3 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

64. Order 199550 (ID:12126) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) ascertain how the Cambridge Health Alliance intends to mitigate the damage to the parking lot at Summer and Spring Streets that is causing structural damage to abutters.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

65. Order 199551

(ID:12147)

(ID:12148)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the DO NOT ENTER signs on Perkins Street, on the Boston border.

RESULT: APPROVED

66. Order 199552

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Chief of Police increase police presence on Perkins Street during evening traffic hours to prevent cars from entering through the DO NOT ENTER end of the street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

67. Mayor's Request 199553 (ID:11685) Requesting revisions to the City Charter and Ordinances to adjust the threshold for written contracts to align with MA General Law.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

68. Mayor's Request 199554 (ID:12157) Requesting an amendment to Zoning Ordinance 7.15 Re: Medical Marijuana Treatment Facilities.

Also referred to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

69. Mayor's Request 199555 (ID:12086) Requesting approval of an Order of Taking for various Beacon Street Reconstruction Easements.

Alderman Heuston explained there is \$10,000,000 in State funding for this project which might be lost if it is not bid out by the Fall of 2015, and for this to happen, easements must be obtained. Special Counsel Eileen McGettigan pointed out that 65 owners donated easements, 22 others accepted offers, and others have not responded. The project cannot move forward until 115 temporary easements and 2 permanent sidewalk easements are obtained, therefore an Order of Taking for \$58,730 is requested. Finance Director Ed Bean said that the funding appears in the revised FY16 budget submitted to the Board this evening (see agenda #70).

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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70. Mayor's Request 199556 (ID:12144) Requesting an appropriation of \$195,770,799 for the FY2016 General Fund Operating Budget.

The Board voted separately on an appropriation in the Budget for \$58,730 to acquire permanent and temporary easements for the Beacon Street Reconstruction Project. The appropriation was Approved unanimously by roll call vote, as was the entire Budget.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

71. Mayor's Request 199557 (ID:12149) Requesting an appropriation of \$19,769,102 for the 2016 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

72. Mayor's Request 199558 (ID:12145) Requesting an appropriation of \$12,590,675 to fund the FY2016 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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73. Mayor's Request 199559 (ID:12027) Requesting the creation of the Elmwood Stabilization Fund and acceptance of a mitigation payment to the Fund of \$12,500 from GFC Development Inc., for crosswalk installation.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 73 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

74. Mayor's Request 199560 (ID:12143) Requesting the appointment of C. Anne Brockelman as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 74 and refer it to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

75. Mayor's 199561

Conveying information about exploring Electricity Community Choice Communication Aggregation for Somerville.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE (ID:12156)

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

76. Officer's Communication contracts. 199562

(ID:12121)

City Auditor responding to #199425 re: a list of exempt, non-publicly bid

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 76 and place it on file with a copy to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

77. Officer's

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 5/14/15.

199563 (ID:12062)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 77 and 78 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

78. Officer's Communication 199564

(ID:12063)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/28/15.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Traffic and Parking Committee

79. 199565

(ID:12158)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, US3 Lunch Break Fridays, Union Sq Plaza, Fridays Jul 17-Sep18, 10AM-2:30PM.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 79 through 83 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

80. 199566 (ID:12152)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Sion Seven Day Adventist Church Lemonade Stand, Davis Sq Statue Park and 45 College Ave in front of Church, Jun 28, 11AM-5:15PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

81. 199567 (ID:12154)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, SomDog Pet Palooza, Assembly Row area-Great River Road, Jul 31 Noon-9PM, Aug 1-Aug 2 11AM-5PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

82. 199568

(ID:12153)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Leather's Park Jackson Road Block Party, Aug 8, Noon-9PM (raindate Aug 9).

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

83. License/Permit 199569 (ID:12155)

Public Event Permit, Police Dept. Sean Collier Kickball Extravaganza, Trum Field and Franey Rd, Sep 26, 8AM-7PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

### LATE ITEMS

84. Order 199570 (ID:12150) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) immediately convene a meeting with MA DOT and residents, property owners and businesses on Medford Street from Washington Street to Somerville Avenue, to discuss the design, schedule, and impacts of streetscape and traffic changes there, and address issues which will adversely affect those stakeholders.

Alderman Heuston discussed the sudden loss of on-street parking for residents and business owners due to the planned construction. There was no advance notice, and people had to park blocks away. She announced that the construction is now delayed until September and the No Parking signs will be removed. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Omar Boukili said that the project to ground McGrath Highway requires that Medford Street be available for staging, but he promised that a neighborhood meeting would be scheduled with MA DOT, that parking signs would be restored within 48 hours, and that parking could commence immediately.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

85. Order 199571 (ID:12162) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate why the directive in #198726, regarding notification to residents, property owners, and businesses of changes to parking regulations along Medford Street with respect to the McGrath Highway project, was not complied with.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

86. Resolution 199572 (ID:12161) By Ald. White Jr.

That any department that deviates from the expenditures provided as part of the Professional and Technical Services FY16 budget presentation notify this Board of that deviation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

87. Mayor's Request 199371 (ID:11958) Requesting an appropriation of \$195,959,717 to fund the Somerville Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

88. Mayor's Request 199372 (ID:11970) Requesting an appropriation of \$19,778,865 to fund the FY2016 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

89. Mayor's Request 199373 (ID:11971) Requesting an appropriation of \$12,469,430 for the FY2016 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE** 

90. Mayor's Request 199314 (ID:11858) Requesting approval to transfer \$10,000 from the DPW Highway Division Salaries Account to the DPW Administration Division Salaries Account to fund a year-end deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

91. Mayor's Request 199315 (ID:11848) Requesting approval to transfer \$9,277 from the Arts Council Detail Account to the Police Overtime Account to cover expenses incurred.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

92. Mayor's Request 199374 (ID:11959) Requesting an appropriation of \$3,500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to reduce the FY2016 Tax Levy.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

93. Mayor's Request 199375 (ID:11973) Requesting an appropriation of \$3,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

94. Mayor's Request 199376 (ID:11972) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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95. Mayor's Request 199377 (ID:11968) Requesting to appropriate or reserve \$1,890,020 in estimated FY2016 CPA revenue for CPA projects and expenses per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

96. Mayor's Request 199378 (ID:11969) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Preservation Act Fund to fund community preservation projects.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

97. Mayor's Request 199379 (ID:11964) Requesting an appropriation of \$888,200 to fund the FY16 Veterans Memorial & Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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98. Mayor's Request 199380 (ID:11936) Requesting to transfer \$250,000 from various Personal Services accounts to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

99. Mayor's Request 199381 (ID:11963) Submitting an appropriation of \$185,000 to fund the FY2016 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

100. Mayor's Request 199382 (ID:11966) Requesting an appropriation of \$140,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Fire Department Overtime account to alleviate a year end deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Mayor's Request 199383 (ID:11974) Requesting an appropriation of \$118,060 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to various SPCD accounts to eliminate several long-standing deficits.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

102. Mayor's Request 199384 (ID:11965) Requesting an appropriation of \$115,000 from the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY16 Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

103. Mayor's Request 199385 (ID:11975) Requesting an appropriation of \$27,600 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Dilboy Enterprise Fund to mitigate a revenue deficit in FY2015.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

104. Mayor's Request 199386 (ID:11961) Requesting authorization to establish the SomerTime Departmental Revolving Fund for FY2016.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

105. Mayor's Request 199387 (ID:11960) Requesting authorization to establish the Shape Up Somerville Mobile Farmers Market Departmental Revolving Fund for FY2016.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

106. Mayor's Request 199388 (ID:11962) Requesting the reauthorization of Departmental Revolving Funds for FY2016.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

107. Officer's Request 199389 (ID:11967) City Clerk submitting recommendations for adjustments to certain fees charged by the City Clerk's Office, effective July 1, 2015.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

108. Mayor's Request 199390 (ID:11996) Requesting approval to appropriate \$233,446 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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109. Mayor's Request 199391 (ID:11995) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to fund needed capital projects.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

110. Mayor's Request 199392 (ID:11994) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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111. Mayor's Request 199393 (ID:11977) Requesting a transfer totaling \$125,000 from two SPCD ISD Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

112. Mayor's Request 199394 (ID:11980) Requesting a transfer of \$36,000 from the Capital Projects Management Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

113. Mayor's Request 199395 (ID:11988) Requesting a transfer of \$33,000 from the SPCD Inspectional Services Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

114. Mayor's Request 199396 (ID:11989) Requesting a transfer of \$29,836 from the SPCD Planning Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

115. Mayor's Request 199397 (ID:11979) Requesting a transfer of \$26,000 from the Treasury Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

116. Mayor's Request 199398 (ID:11992) Requesting a transfer of \$23,000 from the SPCD Transportation and Infrastructure Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

117. Mayor's Request 199399 (ID:11986) Requesting a transfer of \$21,456 from the Auditing Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

1. Mayor's Request 199400 (ID:11991) Requesting a transfer of \$20,000 from the SPCD Housing Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

118. Mayor's Request 199401 (ID:11984) Requesting a transfer of \$13,767 from the Assessing Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

119. Mayor's Request 199402 (ID:11990) Requesting a transfer of \$11,163 from the SPCD Administration and Finance Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

120. Mayor's Request 199403 (ID:11981) Requesting a transfer of \$10,000 from the Council on Aging Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

121. Mayor's Request 199404 (ID:11985) Requesting a transfer of \$9,700 from the Veterans Services Department Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

122. Mayor's Request 199405 (ID:11987) Requesting a transfer of \$9,308 from the E-911 Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

123. Mayor's Request 199406 (ID:11978) Requesting a transfer of \$8,077 from the Somerpromise Salaries Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

124. Mayor's Request 199407 (ID:11993) Requesting a transfer of \$3,000 from the Redevelopment Authority Salaries Monthly Account to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the snow removal deficit.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

125. Mayor's Request 199434 (ID:12002) Requesting a transfer of \$54,351 from the Salary Contingency Account to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

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126. Mayor's Request 199435 (ID:11999) Requesting a transfer of \$12,000 from the Schools Salaries Account to the DPW Electrical Lines and Lights Overtime Account for electrical work at the Cummings School.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

127. Mayor's Request 199438 (ID:11859) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,000 from the Housing Authority for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural program.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

128. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

197711 (ID:10264) Conveying the recommendations of the Somerville Fields Task Force.

Discharged from the Youth Services Committee. See agenda item #32.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

129. License/Permit 199573

Renewing Fortune Teller License, Spiritual New Age Boutique, 153 Washington St.

(ID:12163)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

130. License/Permit

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Fred Susan Auto Body, 269 Somerville Ave.

199574 (ID:12164)

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199575 (ID:12202) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Louise Rossetti. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Elizabeth Traumann. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Bob Gil. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Gerald LaFee. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Beryl Livingston to end the meeting.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199576 (ID:12203) Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting, June 4, 2015, and the Regular Meeting, June 11, 2015.

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 199577 (ID:12206) By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Odmark Ozit, a High School graduate and member of the Boys Track Team, who won the State Outdoor Track Meet Triple Jump Event.

Alderman Connolly congratulated Odmark Ozit for his Triple Jump of 45 feet 7 inches, the longest jump in all of New England. His coach Dave Dickerson spoke of his comeback from his injury and his willingness to do whatever he could for the team.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

4. Citation 199578 (ID:12205)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the creative and dedicated team that brought home to Somerville the 2015 All-America City Award.

Alderman Connolly commended the 32 individuals who competed in the All-America City competition in Denver. Sassiane Estany spoke of what an amazing experience it was for the entire team.

RESULT: APPROVED

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Order 199579 (ID:12180) By Ald. White Jr., Niedergang
That the Director of SPCD install safety call boxes along the Lowell Street
Community Path Extension, and work with MA DOT to install auxiliary

lighting and pigeon deterrents under the Lowell Street Bridge.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Order 199580 (ID:12181) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 5 Alderman about safety measures that will be in place before the Community Path Extension opens to slow traffic and protect pedestrians and cyclists around the Lowell Street bridge.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Order 199581 (ID:12182) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalks on both sides of the bridge over the railroad tracks on Central Street near Hoyt-Sullivan Park. (2nd request)

8. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199582 (ID:12183) That the Director of Capital Projects update this Board about resolving the drainage issues at 35R Lexington Avenue by this Board's August 27, 2015 meeting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

9. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199583 (ID:12184) That the Director of Inspectional Services report to the Ward 5 Alderman the possible use of an herbicide by the owner of 35R Lexington Avenue on the Community Path alongside the property.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

10. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199584 (ID:12185)

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 5 Alderman the schedule for repaving Main Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 11.

By Ald. Niedergang

199585 (ID:12186) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the cracks in the sidewalk in front of 51 Main Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

12. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199586 (ID:12187) That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the design, placement, effectiveness and enforcement of "NO IDLING" signs by all schools.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 199587 (ID:12188) By Ald. Connolly, McWatters

That the City Engineer inspect 36 Hamlet Street for possible settling issues as a result of nearby street and building construction.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

14. Resolution 199588 (ID:12189) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz, and the Entire Board

That the Mayor request the MBTA to install additional bike racks at both head houses of the Davis Square Red Line station.

15. Resolution 199589 (ID:12190) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin

That the Department of Public Utilities investigate and take appropriate actions against electricity companies that use deceptive sales tactics.

Alderman Sullivan explained that consumers are being deceived by public utility salespeople who are promising lower bills and then charging high cancellation fees when the bills are higher, not lower, than before. Alderman Heuston added that the Health and Human Services Department should conduct outreach to senior citizens. (See Agenda #199639, Agenda #62.)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. Order 199590 (ID:12191)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass at, and clean, Harris Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 199591

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the trees at 11 and 13 Melvin Street to determine if a safety condition exists with regards to the utility wires.

RESULT: APPROVED

18. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199592

(ID:12192)

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Mount Pleasant

(ID:12193)

Street

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199593

That the Director of SPCD place Mount Pleasant Street on the re-paying list.

(ID:12194)

RESULT: APPROVED

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 20. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199594

(ID:12173)

Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on June 30, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

# 21. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199595 Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on July 9, 2015.

199595 (ID:12178)

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198756 (ID:11432) Requesting the appointment of Lieutenant Brian O'Donovan as Fire Captain.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 199560 (ID:12143)

Requesting the appointment of C. Anne Brockelman as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### 22. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199596 (ID:12176) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on July 6, 2015.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the meeting, which was a public hearing attended by the mayor and 30 residents who had concerns about the proposed new location of the fire department at 515 Somerville Ave.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 23. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199597 (ID:12177) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on July 7, 2015.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 199433 (ID:11998) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$250,000 in a bond for two Hybrid DPW Refuse Trucks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

C. Mayor's Request 199436 (ID:11902) Requesting approval to pay prior fiscal year invoices in the Dept. of Public Works totalling \$5,544.29.

D. Mayor's Request 199464 (ID:12026) Requesting the creation of the MillBrook Stabilization Fund and acceptance of a mitigation payment to the Fund of \$47,770 from Berkeley Investments Inc., for sidewalk improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

E. Mayor's Request 199528 (ID:12088) Requesting the approval of an appropriation of \$5,824.15 from the Capital Equipment Stabilization Fund to purchase new seating for the public's use in the Aldermanic Chambers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

F. Mayor's Request 199530 (ID:12061) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from the Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural and Art in the Garden programs.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 199559 (ID:12027) Requesting the creation of the Elmwood Stabilization Fund and acceptance of a mitigation payment to the Fund of \$12,500 from GFC Development Inc., for crosswalk installation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

H. Order 199598 (ID:12228) By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of SPCD provide the Finance Committee with the indirect and acquisition costs related to the proposed taking of 515 Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

I. Order 199599 (ID:12227) By Ald. White Jr.

That #197611, an August 22, 2014, report on the relocation of the Police and Fire Departments, be recommitted to this Board's Finance Committee for review.

See Agenda Item #63.

#### HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE 24.

A. Committee Report 199600 (ID:12174)

Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on June 30, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He reported Amanda Maher presented initiatives regarding grants for job training and workforce development. He said that the new main branch library may not be located in Union Square, because the state denied the city's grant application. There will be community discussions on this and the renovations of the East and West branches as well. The third item was a progress report on the Somervision goals, which will be revised then shared with the Board. He said the new DCR Commissioner met with Mayor's Administrative Assistant Omar Boukili and discussed obtaining more playing fields and redesigning some existing park lands, including Draw 7 Park. The last item concerned construction at Assembly Row Parcel 6 with Callaghan Construction using non union workers.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 197475 (ID:10101) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, and the Entire Board That the Administration discuss with DCR, an agreement by which the City takes joint control of the DCR park area from Shore Drive to the riverbank so the City can maintain that area for the benefit and protection of its residents.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

C. Order 198324 (ID:10898) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the possibility of putting a community garden and/or a dog park in the eastern part of Junction Park.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. **Public** 198494

Federal Realty Investment Trust requesting to address this Board re: #198410, Communication a Resolution urging FRIT to employ union labor and give preference to Somerville residents for all construction work.

(ID:11059)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang

198572 (ID:11146)

That the Mayor report to this Board on new main branch of the Public Library in Union Square.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 198584 (ID:11156) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD plan a walkway between East Somerville and Assembly Square in conjunction with Federal Realty and Criterion Development.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED G. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 199127 That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) report to this (ID:11761) Board on plans to convert the city owned parking lot between Central Street

> > and Junction Park to a park.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board H.

> That the Director of SPCD report to this Board's Committee on Housing and 199265 Community Development on negotiating with DCR to obtain public input on (ID:11857)

> > the design of Draw 7 Park.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order I. By Ald. Ballantyne

> That the Director of SPCD contact the Ward 7 Alderman to arrange a 199296

(ID:11893) community meeting to discuss mobility around Teele Square.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. **Public** Good Jobs Somerville and the NE Regional Council of Carpenters expressing Communication concern about FRIT's selection of Callahan Inc. as its general contractor for

199452 Assembly Row Parcel 6.

**RESULT:** 

(ID:11997)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

K. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang

199601

That the Administration request Federal Realty Investment Trust to provide the wages, hours and residency of everyone employed at the parcel 6 site. (ID:12222)

**APPROVED** 

# 25. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199602 (ID:12175) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on June 30, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported there were 5 public hearings at this meeting. One concerned American Auto Gallery expanding its used car business (now located at 682 Mystic Ave) to 654 Mystic Ave. Several neighbors and Ward Alderman Lafuente spoke strongly against the item. They reported that the 682 Mystic Ave location was negatively impacting the neighborhood, and routinely storing excess vehicles on the lot. The applicant admitted that at the time of the meeting, he had excess vehicles stored at his 682 Mystic Ave lot. Alderman Sullivan said he inspected the lot that night, on his way home from the meeting, and found 34 vehicles on the lot, which holds a permit for no more than 21 vehicles. Alderman Lafuente added that the applicant regularly has more than 30 vehicles on the lot, and that he regularly blocks the end of the lot which is designed for Fire Dept. Access, thus creating a safety hazard in the neighborhood. Alderman Sullivan said that the Committee voted to deny the application. Another public hearing concerned Mass Inspection at 712 Mystic Ave, and whether the lift could be used to conduct the inspections.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. License/Permit 199257 (ID:11852)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, BA Events Let's Run and Have Fun 5K Races, Assembly Sq area, Thursdays, May 28-Oct 1, 5PM-Midnight.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. License/Permit 199339

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Bon Me Foods.

(ID:11910)

RESULT: APPROVED

D. License/Permit 199451 (ID:12038)

License/Permit Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, American Auto Gallery, 682 199451 Mystic Ave., extending to 654 Mystic Ave. with 16 vehicles outside.

RESULT: NOT APPROVED

E. License/Permit 199539 (ID:12118)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, KIrkland Tap and Trotter, 425 Washington St., Occupying 2 parking spaces for a charcoal grill on weekends, Jun-Oct.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

F. License/Permit 199543 (ID:12117)

New Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville Ave, Opening Sun-Thu to 1AM, Fri-Sat to 3AM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED AMENDED: Approved for 6 months only.

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

26. Mayor's Request 199603 (ID:12160) Requesting approval of a Home Rule Petition authorizing the City to appropriate funds to assist commercial properties in maintaining and improving exterior storefronts.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

27. Mayor's Request 199604 (ID:12166) Requesting approval to discontinue the portion of Cross Street East between Pennsylvania and Mystic Avenues.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 27 through 29 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

28. Mayor's Request 199605 (ID:12167) Requesting the partial release of the Open Space Covenant affecting property on Cross Street East.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

29. Mayor's Request 199606 (ID:12168) Requesting the acceptance of an Easement and Easement Releases over a former portion of Cross Street East.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 199607 (ID:12197) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$835,000 in a bond for the modular construction of living quarters for Fire Station Engine 3.

Alderman Heuston had questions for Rob King regarding the next steps to be taken. He advised that once approved, a contract and schedule would be prepared, then removal of the existing trailer would take place. Alderman Rossetti had a concern which Mr. King addressed stating all of the contractors that bid on the job were required to be DECAM certified, meeting insurance requirements and capable of doing the work.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

# 31. Mayor's Request 199608 (ID:12196)

Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$91,890 to the DPW Sanitation Professional and Technical Services Account, to fund a pilot residential compost program.

Alderman Gewirtz explained how important it is for food waste to be disposed of as compost, instead of clogging up landfills and potentially contributing to global warming. She reiterated there needs to be an education campaign in place for the community to understand this pilot. Alderman Ballantyne questioned the particulars of the pilot program. Director of Sustainability and Environment Oliver Garcia responded that 1,000 homes in Ward 5 starting in September, using food waste excluding meat products, would launch the pilot. Alderman Ballantyne also questioned why this item was not included in the FY16 budget. President White questioned whether there will be payment from the composting facility for the deliveries, and Mr Garcia advised he is looking into offsetting some of the costs in this manner, as it has the potential to become citywide.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 32. Mayor's Request 199609 (ID:12165)

Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Workforce Training Stabilization Fund for Local Workforce Development.

Mr. Glavin explained this funding is from a donation of \$100,000 from IKEA. The outreach program will seek to identify 50 to 100 residents and place them in full time jobs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

# 33. Mayor's Request 199610 (ID:12201)

Requesting approval to apply for a PARC Grant of \$400,000 for renovations at Hoyt-Sullivan Playground on Central Street.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 33 and 34 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

# 34. Mayor's Request 199611 (ID:12204)

Requesting acceptance of the donation of a van valued at \$2,500 from Fire Equipment Inc., to the Fire Department.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

### **NEW BUSINESS**

35. 199612 (ID:12210)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Redbones BBQ Pig Pickin Homeless Coalition Block Party, Chester St from Elm to Herbert Sts, Jul 27, Noon-10PM (raindate Aug

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 35 through 43 and approve them, but refer item 42 to License and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

36. 199613 (ID:12211)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Mural Project, Cross St East across from Chuckie Harris Park, Jul 30, 6:30-10:30PM.

> RESULT: APPROVED

37. 199614 (ID:12212)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Banner Festival, E. Somerville Library sidewalk, Aug 1, Noon-6PM.

> RESULT: **APPROVED**

38. 199615

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Hudson St Block Party from Benton to Central Sts, Aug 1, 2-9:30PM (raindate Aug 2).

(ID:12213)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

39. 199616

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Skehan St Block Party at 35 Skehan St, Sep 6, Noon-8PM.

(ID:12214)

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

40. 199617

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Nave Gallery YarnStorm Wraparound Project, Powderhouse Park, Sep 26, 10AM-5PM.

(ID:12215)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

41. 199618 (ID:12208)

License/Permit Renewing Taxi Stand License, Green Cab and Yellow Cab Assn., 2 cabs at 255 Elm St., 2 cabs at 503 Broadway, 6 cabs at 295 Broadway, 4 cabs at 1 Davis Sq., 5 cabs at 0 Foley St., 4 cabs at 30 Washington St., 3 cabs at 22-26 Union Sq.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

42. License/Permit 199619 (ID:12207)

Renewing Garage License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy., from November 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 43. 199620

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Taqueria Montecristo, 146 Broadway, 2 tables, 4 seats.

(ID:12209)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

44. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199621 That the Commissioner of Public Works landscape the area around the East

Somerville Community School. (ID:12223)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

45. Order By Ald. Connolly

> 199622 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services investigate the possible illegal (ID:12224)

residency and storage of items near the Church at Francesca and College

Avenues and act to remedy the situation.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 46. By Ald. Connolly

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services investigate the possible 199623

(ID:12225) vacant building at 29 Kidder Avenue and compel the owner(s) to improve the

condition of the property.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

47. Order By Ald. McWatters

199624 That the arborist examine the tree at 61 Putnam Avenue and determine its

vitality, replacing it in the fall if it cannot be saved. (ID:12226)

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

48. Requesting authorization to develop a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Mayor's Request plan to aggregate the electricity load of residents and businesses, per MGL 199625 c164 s134.

(ID:12238)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

49. Mayor's Requesting the promotion of Christopher Major to Deputy Chief in the Fire Request Department.

199626

(ID:12216)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 55, refer 49 through 54 to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, and place 55 on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

50. Mayor's Request 199627 (ID:12217) Requesting the promotion of Matthew Wall to District Chief in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

51. Mayor's Request 199628 (ID:12218) Requesting the promotion of Thomas Gorman to Captain in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

52. Mayor's Request 199629 (ID:12219) Requesting the promotion of Justin Bonner to Lieutenant in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

53. Mayor's Request 199630 (ID:12220) Requesting the promotion of Marc Ardolino to Lieutenant in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

54. Mayor's Request 199631 (ID:12221) Requesting the promotion of Dennis Sullivan Jr to Lieutenant in the Fire Department.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

55. Officer's Communication 199632 (ID:12159)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/11/15.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

56. License/Permit 199633 (ID:12230)

Public Event Permit, Josephine Avenue SomerPlay, from Kidder to Morrison Aves, Jul 19 and Aug 1, 4-8PM (raindate Aug 2).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 56 through 61 and approve them once all departments have signed off, but refer item 58 to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION**: Approved only following all internal approvals.

57. License/Permit 199634 (ID:12236)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Nepali Relief Fund Yard Sale, Union Sq Plaza, Jul 26, 119634 11AM-8PM (raindate Aug 2).

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION**: Approved only following all internal approvals.

58. 199635

License/Permit Public Event Permit, RCN Marketing Event, Davis Sq, 5 dates between Aug 15-Sep 15, 11:30AM-6:15PM.

(ID:12235)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

59. License/Permit 199636 (ID:12233)

Public Event Permit, Starlab Music and Arts Festival, 10 Poplar St, Aug 21 (setup) 6-10 PM, Aug 22 (event) Noon-11PM (raindate Aug 28, 29).

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION**: Approved only following all internal approvals.

60. 199637 (ID:12234)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Democratic City Committee Picnic, Powderhouse Park, Aug 29, 11AM-4PM.

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS **RESULT:** 

**CONDITION**: Approved only following all internal approvals.

61. 199638 (ID:12237)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, 5Point Film Festival, Davis Sq Statue Park, Sep 24-25, 2-9PM.

> APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS **RESULT:**

**CONDITION:** Approved only following all internal approvals.

#### LATE ITEMS

(ID:12241)

62. Order 199639 By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan, McLaughlin

That the Director of Health and Human Services warn residents, especially senior citizens, about electricity companies that use deceptive sales practices.

See discussion at #199589, Agenda #15.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

63. Mayor's Communication Safety Building.

Communicating information regarding the needed relocation of the Public

197611 (ID:10018)

See Agenda Item #23I.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

64. License/Permit 199450 (ID:12036)

License/Permit Amending Garage License Application, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave., seeking use of the on-premises lift.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

Licenses and Permits Committee Chair Sullivan reported that he had received state regulations from the petitioner indicating that it could be advantageous to have the use of a lift in the course of inspections. He moved for a 60 day conditional approval of its use for simple repairs pertaining to passing inspections only.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED**: Approved for 60 days only. On-premises lift is to be used

only for inspectional purposes.

65. Order 199640 (ID:12231) By Ald. White Jr., Niedergang

That the Director of Inspectional Services instruct the owner of the Magoun Square parking lot to not damage vehicles parked in the lot while cleaning the lot.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

66. Order 199641 (ID:12232) By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr.

That the City Solicitor report to this Board the rationale for filing in US District Court a legal action seeking to overrule the Secretary of State's ruling that requires the City to release parking permit information requested by the Boston Globe.

Alderman Niedergang explained the Boston Globe requested records of residents who had parking permits in Boston and Somerville. Boston complied with the order, but Somerville challenged the request in court. Alderman Niedergang commented this request could shed light on the Somerville parking program, and said that Boston was able to identify abusers of their parking permit program with the information gained by the Globe. City Solicitor Frank Wright responded to the questions explaining that the privacy of the Somerville residents, particularly their email addresses and cell phone numbers, should not be shared. He reiterated that Somerville residents expect that applying for a parking permit does not mean granting anyone their personal information. There are 2 law suits being filed, one in Federal Court pertaining to the Driver Privacy Protection Act and one in State Court pertaining to the Public Records Law. Alderman Niedergang agreed that email addresses and cell phone numbers should remain private but said the names of the permit holders should be made available. The City Solicitor responded that the city is working on an anonymous list to help determine how many vehicles are at each address, although the Globe is insisting on phone numbers. Alderman McWatters had a concern about law enforcement officials having their names and addresses becoming public. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Omar Boukili reiterated that the city is prepared to provide a database matching applicants to permits while protecting their personal information.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

67. Mayor's Request 199642 (ID:12055) Requesting an appropriation of \$470,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to fund a comprehensive citywide Mobility Plan.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

68. 199643

License/Permit Public Event Permit, 7ate9 Bakery Grand Opening street parking for food truck, 199 Highland Ave, Jul 11, 10AM-6PM.

(ID:12242) **RESULT:** 

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** Approved only following all internal approvals.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 199644 (ID:12256) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Sulllivan held a moment of silence for Ray Lavesta, Patricia McCollem-Pimental and Vic Leone. Alderman Rossetti held a moment of silence for Tena Bussolari, Dorothy Scully and Dan Macero. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Harry Meonne. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Pedro Ortiz.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199645 (ID:12257)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, June 25, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

3. Order 199646 (ID:12258) By Ald. White Jr.

That this Board appoints Clerk of Committees Rositha Durham as Clerk of this Board pro tem for the duration of this meeting.

### **CITATIONS**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 199647 (ID:12264) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks for 65 feet of conduit in Medford St from Manhole #15216 to 265 Medford St.

The President opened the public hearing. Manfred Annie from Lightower Fiber Networks discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 199648 (ID:12265) Submitted by Comcast for 40 feet of conduit in Windsor Place from Pole #439/1 to 600 Windsor Pl.

The President opened the public hearing. No one testified, and the President closed the public hearing. With no one explaining the need for the petition, the item was laid on the table.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

6. Grant of Location 199649 (ID:12266) Submitted by Eversource to install a new manhole in Broadway near 151 Boston Ave, as well as 795 feet of conduit in Broadway in the vicinity of the Ball Square Broadway Bridge in support of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 199650 (ID:12267) Submitted by Eversource for 81 feet of conduit in Washington St from Pole 358/29 to 197 Washington St.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 199651 (ID:12268) Submitted by Eversource and Verizon to install a joint-owned pole on Allen St, about 10 feet north of Charlestown St in support of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

9. Grant of Location 199652 (ID:12269) Submitted by Eversource for 216 feet of conduit in Lowell St, running northerly from Maxwell's Green in support of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Grant of Location 199653 (ID:12270) Submitted by Eversource for 36 feet of conduit in Warwick St from Pole 357/3 to 20 Warwick St.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. A property owner who lives next to this pole raised questions and had them answered by Mr. Schifone. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Grant of Location 199654 (ID:12271) Submitted by Eversource for 11 feet of conduit in Tower St from Manhole #14352 to Manhole #14373; 66 feet of conduit from Pole 26/0 in Beech St to Manhole #8636 in Somerville Ave; 140 feet of conduit from Pole 79/10 in Benton Rd to Manhole #14344 in Highland Ave; 95 feet of conduit in Belmont St from Pole 27/20 to Manhole #14348; and 6 feet of conduit in Somerville Ave from Manhole #20639 to Manhole #8634, all in support of the Green Line Extension.

The President opened the public hearing. Richard Schifone from Eversource Energy discussed the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

12. Order 199655 (ID:12368) By Ald. Rossetti, Niedergang, McWatters, Connolly, Heuston, Gewirtz, Sullivan, Lafuente, Ballantyne

That the Director of Health and Human Services consider for Somerville, the 'Daily Table' model of affordable food, as is in place in Dorchester and Cambridge.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 199656 (ID:12369) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Personnel provide this Board with an updated report of employee vacancies, including updates to the vacancies listed in the June report.

14. Order 199657 (ID:12370) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Director of Traffic and Parking coordinate permits for storage pods and project dumpsters, to avoid multiple bulk items on city streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

15. Resolution 199658

(ID:12371)

(ID:12372)

(ID:12373)

By Ald. Rossetti, Niedergang, McWatters, Connolly, Heuston, Sullivan, Lafuente, Ballantyne

That the Administration update this Board at its next meeting on discussions with DCR about Draw 7 and Foss Parks, and the auxiliary fields at Dilboy

Stadium.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order 199659

By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor appear before this Board to address the concerns of

SCATV and the city's contract with Comcast.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

17. Order 199660

By Ald. Rossetti

That the city's arborist render an opinion regarding pedestrian safety relative to the tree roots 10 Eliot Street and report back to this Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order 199661 (ID:12375) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Women's Commission teen PeaceKeepers Program update this Board on its objectives.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

19. Order 199662 (ID:12394) By Ald. Rossetti, Gewirtz, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk at 64 College Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

20. Resolution 199663

(ID:12395)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration share with this Board at its next meeting, its plan for Snow Emergency parking next winter.

21. Order 199664 (ID:12374) By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

That this Board discharge #198203 from the Youth Services Committee and refer it to the newly created Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee for appropriate action.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 199665 (ID:12376) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Recreation and Youth appear before the Youth Services Committee to discuss changes to youth football and baseball programs.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 22 through 35 and 37 through 43 and approve them with item 22 referred to the Youth Services Committee and items 27,31,35,37,39,40 and 41 referred to the Rodent Control Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

23. Order 199666 (ID:12377) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the City Arborist inspect the trees on Gilman Terrace for vitality and take appropriate action.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199667 (ID:12378)

(ID:12379)

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean, cut the grass and maintain the public garden at Chuckie Harris Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order 199668

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider putting a crosswalk at the corner of Cross Street and Everett Avenue, across from the East Somerville Community School entrance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 199669 (ID:12380) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the hot top sidewalk in front of 3-5 Kensington Avenue with concrete.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 199670 (ID:12381) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the businesses along East Broadway for rodent issues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

28. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199671 That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the weeds and clean the streets at (ID:12382) the intersections along East Broadway and the state streets. **RESULT: APPROVED** 29. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199672 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash from the dog park (ID:12383) behind Cobble Hill. **RESULT: APPROVED** 30. Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Chief of Police take notice of speeding traffic along New Washington 199673 (ID:12384) Street during high traffic hours. **RESULT: APPROVED** 31. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199674 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address rodent complaints along Kensington and Pennsylvania Avenues, and Dell, Ellsworth, Cutter, and (ID:12385) Medford Streets. **APPROVED RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 32. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199675 That the City Arborist trim the tree in front of 8 Ellsworth Street. (ID:12386) **RESULT: APPROVED** 33. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199676 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address the overgrowth and lack (ID:12387) of proper trash disposal at 6 Ellsworth Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 34. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 199677 That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the stop light on (ID:12388) Myrtle and Washington Street to a blinking STOP sign. **RESULT: APPROVED** 35. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin

199678

That the Administration provide financial assistance to residents to combat (ID:12389) rodent problems on MacArthur Street and all of East Somerville.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 36. Resolution 199679

By Ald. McLaughlin

1996/9 That t (ID:12429) Candl

That this Board supports Somerville Overcoming Addiction's 2nd Annual Candlelight Vigil, on September 15 at 7 PM at the High School Atrium.

Alderman McLaughlin sponsored Jesse Clinton who reported there were over 1,300 deaths in in the past year from opiate overdoses. He invited the entire Board along with the community to attend the Candlelight Vigil.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order 199680

(ID:12430)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Communications use the city's Connect CTY system to remind residents of the importance of rodent prevention.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

38. Order 199681 (ID:12431) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the litter and overgrowth along Broadway and East Somerville.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

39. Order 199682

(ID:12432)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services update this Board on rodent control measures at construction sites.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

40. Order 199683 (ID:12433) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SomerStat consider other options for measuring rodent control efforts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

41. Order 199684 (ID:12434) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services consider using rodent birth control on MacArthur Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

42. Order 199685 (ID:12435) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint a crosswalk at Lincoln and Perkins Streets.

43. Order 199686 (ID:12436) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the overgrowth on Lincoln Street and Lincoln Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

44. Order 199687 (ID:12396) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the Healy School for trash and rodents and bait/set traps as necessary.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

45. Order 199688 (ID:12397) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Chief of Police monitor the Healy School for trash dumping.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

46. Order 199689 (ID:12398) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 41 Marshall Street for overgrowth and rodents and take all appropriate actions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

47. Order 199690 (ID:12399) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police inspect, monitor and develop a plan to control the speed of traffic on Medford Street, between Central and School Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

48. Order 199691 (ID:12400) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the corners of James and Marshall Streets, at their intersection with Pearl Street, and suggest a plan to increase visibility for motorists who are turning onto Pearl Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

49. Order 199692 (ID:12401) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a DO NOT ENTER sign on the corner of Marshall Street, at Pearl Street.

50. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

199693 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at the intersection

(ID:12402) of Thurston and Fenwick Streets and Broadway.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

51. Order By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

199694 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the seats on the swings at

(ID:12403) Central Hill Park.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

52. Order By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the grass at Dickerman Park. 199695

(ID:12404) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. Order By Ald. McWatters That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on plans for 199696

renovating Central Hill Park. (ID:12405)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. 54. Order

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street from 7 to 9 199697 AM and 4 to 6 PM, to ensure that motorists aren't illegally cutting through (ID:12406)

Prospect Hill.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

55. Order By Ald. McWatters

(ID:12428)

199698 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the 2 sidewalk panels on

Craigie Street, before the entrance to the Dante Club driveway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. Order By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti

199699 That the Commissioner of Public Works examine 88 Pearson Road for (ID:12407) connection to the city sewer system, including replacement of any pipes, and

provide appropriate assistance to the homeowner.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee 57. Resolution 199700 (ID:12408) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti

That the Traffic Commission consider installing a temporary speed bump on Governor Winthrop Road near Grimmons Park to protect children from speeding vehicles.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

58. Resolution 199701

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That Somerville enter into a Sister City ("Twinning") relationship with the

Town of Westport, Ireland and the Mayo County Council.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

199702 (ID:12410)

(ID:12409)

That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the rock out-cropping behind the Powderhouse Park Fieldhouse for loose rocks and stones, and prevent

future stone and rockslides.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

60. Order By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

199703

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees in front of 169 and 173

(ID:12411) Morrison Avenue.

> RESULT: **APPROVED**

61. Order 199704 By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the deteriorating sidewalk

(ID:12412) slabs in front of 379 Alewife Brook Parkway.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

62. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199705 (ID:12413) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the deteriorating

sidewalk/driveway concrete slabs at the corner of Woods Ave and 379

Alewife Brook Parkway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

63. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199706

That the Director of the Council of Aging appear before this Board to outline the proposed uses of the newly purchased city bus.

(ID:12414)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Senior Services Committee 64. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199707 That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 7 Alderman on a (ID:12415) plan to clear up the confusing signage at Capen Street, 405 Alewife Brook

> > Parkway and Capen Court.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

65. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199708 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the street arrow markings on

(ID:12417) Broadway at Route 16.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

66. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 199709 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the large wooden block

suspended in the power lines at 52 Albion Street. (ID:12419)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

67. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199710

That the Commissioner of Public Works check the health of the red maple tree (ID:12420) at 20 Albion Street and remove the high weeds there.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

68. Order By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing pop-up pedestrian 199711

safety stand at Lowell and Albion Streets. (ID:12421)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

69. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 199712 That the Mayor's Aide and/or the Director of Sustainability and the

Environment report to this Board on progress in addressing the litter from (ID:12422)

Globe Direct circulars, and whether Cambridge's agreement with Globe Direct

is being implemented here.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

70. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199713

That the Commissioner of Public Works update this Board on the condition of (ID:12423) all athletic playing fields, especially Lincoln Park.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee 71. Order 199714

(ID:12424)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Recreation report to this Board on the use of athletic fields by non-Somerville groups, and whether Somerville youth organizations' access is restricted by those outside groups.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

72. Order 199715 (ID:12425) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on why the city is not using its authority to request a recycling plan for apartment buildings, which has resulted in some apartment dwellers not being able to participate in recycling.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

73. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

199716 (ID:12426) That the Commissioner of Public Works install several U-shaped bicycle parking posts in the sidewalk at the Armory and along Highland Avenue between the Armory and Lowell Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

74. Order 199717 (ID:12427) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Personnel inform this Board whether the new sick-leave law approved by voters last November applies to all City employees, and if not, who is excluded, and whether there are plans to address this exclusion.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 75. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199718 (ID:12438) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on August 12, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She announced the promotions within the Fire Department, and the Officers were sworn in.

B.	Communication appointment of Constables.			
	198252 (ID:10745)	See Agenda #10 RESULT:	3 for the Ordinance re: constable residency.  WORK COMPLETED	
C.			-appointment of Robert Sweeney as Constable.	
	Request 198484 (ID:11048)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
D.	Mayor's	Requesting a review of Edwin Torres' Constable License.		
	Request 198524 (ID:11098)	RESULT: ACTION:	NOT APPROVED The Board Revoked the Constable License that had been approved for Edwin Torres as #198247 on 12/11/14.	
E.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the pr Department.	omotion of Christopher Major to Deputy Chief in the Fire	
	199626 (ID:12216)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
F. Mayor's Request 199627 (ID:12217)		Requesting the promotion of Matthew Wall to District Chief in the Fire Department.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
G. Mayor's Request		Requesting the promotion of Thomas Gorman to Captain in the Fire Department.		
	199628 (ID:12218)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
Н.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the promotion of Justin Bonner to Lieutenant in the Fire Department.		
	199629 (ID:12219)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
I.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the pr Department.	omotion of Marc Ardolino to Lieutenant in the Fire	
	199630 (ID:12220)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
J.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the pr Department.	omotion of Dennis Sullivan Jr to Lieutenant in the Fire	
199631 (ID:12221)		RESULT:	APPROVED	

#### 76. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199719 (ID:12437) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on August 6, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including a zoning ordinance amendment regarding medical marijuana treatment facilities, and the comprehensive zoning map to rezone the entire city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 77. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199720 (ID:12439) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on August 20, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She reported on the proposed plastic bag reduction ordinance. The committee discussed the institutional master plan approval requirement and why the plan is important to the city. The proposed Administrative Code was discussed as well. Lastly there was a discussion of the current pervious surfaces ordinance. No additional information was available although reports had been requested.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 199721 (ID:12441) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Director of Engineering appear before the Legislative Matters Committee, at its next meeting, to discuss the failure of paving contractors to register with the city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# 78. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199722 (ID:12440) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on August 24, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He stated there will be a major educational campaign regarding bicycle safety involving the police and a coalition of city departments. He reported on the removal of Engine 3 trailer and the construction of the modular housing being completed by the end of the year. There was discussion on implementing assistance for the opiate substance abuse epidemic and the progress being made on mental health issues in the community.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED**: #198951 returned to the Committee on Public Health and

Public Safety.

B. Order 198424 (ID:10993) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, Sullivan, Rossetti, Niedergang, Ballantyne, White Jr., Lafuente, Connolly, McLaughlin

That the Director of Purchasing and the Director of Capital Projects inform this Board about the faulty bid submissions for a new modular structure to house Engine 3, and a plan for fast tracking such a structure, and that the Chief Fire Engineer inform this Board about current fire protection in the Union Square area.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 198925 (ID:11513) By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Director of SPCD communicate to the owner of the Social Security building in Davis Square, the need to move forward on necessary repairs so the scaffolding may be removed from the public way as soon as possible.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 198951 (ID:11594)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Winter Hill Market for rubbish and fine the business and building owner.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

E. Order 198953 (ID:11596) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the former Star Market site for all violations and inspect the parking lot for unsafe conditions and litter.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution 198972 (ID:11619) By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Administration update this Board on conversations with the owner of the old Social Security building in Davis Square and confirm the date that the scaffolding will come down, and reply to the Ward Alderman within 2 weeks.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 199549

By Ald. McWatters

199549 That the Director of SPCD dispatch the Neighborhood Impact Team to 22 (ID:12125) Richdale Avenue for code violations and report back to the Ward 3 Alderman.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 199723 (ID:12443) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD work with the Police Department to develop a bicycle safety campaign.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

I. Order 199724 (ID:12444) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Chief of Police and the Chief Fire Engineer appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety to discuss concerns regarding #198703 and #199522 for public safety at Assembly Row and citywide.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

#### **COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

79. Mayor's Communication 199725 (ID:12418)

Updating this Board on the shortfall in Green Line Extension funding.

Mayor Joseph Curtatone announced although the Green Line Extension is facing a possible \$1B deficit, he believed it will continue to be built and is in fact currently under construction. To date, over \$300M of construction has been completed, and \$200M in steel is on the way. He said the city and state will work together to trim costs. He said there is desperate need for a 21st century transportation system in the metropolitan area. President White expressed concern about a possible delay and how it would affect the Union Square spur slated for completion in December 2017. The Mayor responded he didn't think there would be significant delays, possibly a few months. He stated the Federal Government is committed to the Green Line Project and substantial changes to the scope would be difficult to execute. Members questioned the construction schedule, whether additional developers could be brought in. whether the proposed community path was jeopardized, and what additional funding could be generated. Alderman Gewirtz thanked the Mayor for fighting for the Green Line, and members discussed a Resolution of support. The Mayor concluded that all parties want the Green Line Extension to be built.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

80. Mayor's Request 199726 (ID:12199) Requesting amendments to Ordinance 2-369 to align the threshold for written contracts with MA General Law.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 80 through 81 and refer them to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

81. Mayor's Request 199727 (ID:12200) Requesting an amendment to the City Charter to align with a related proposed revision to the City Ordinances and with MA General Law regarding written contracts.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

82. Mayor's Request 199728 (ID:12366) Requesting approval of this board, pursuant to Ordinance 2-121, to retain the services of outside Workers' Compensation legal counsel.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 82 through 86 and 88 through 102 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

83. Mayor's Request 199729 (ID:12254) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$5,197,500 in a bond for sewer repairs to Cedar St.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

84. Mayor's Request 199730 (ID:12252) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,227,500 in a bond for water repairs to Cedar St.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

85. Mayor's Request 199731 (ID:12362) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$158,000 from US2 Associates into the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

86. Mayor's Request 199732 (ID:12363) Requesting an appropriation of \$168,000 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for services in connection with the redevelopment of Union Square.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

87. Mayor's Request 199733 (ID:12367) Requesting an appropriation of \$17,000 from the Parks Stabilization Fund for structural repairs to the Chuckie Harris Park slide equipment.

Alderman McLaughin announced that if this appropriation was approved tonight, the city could take action tomorrow, and he did not want to delay this item. Alderman Sullivan questioned Director of Transportation, Parks and Infrastructure Brad Rawson about the equipment, a park slide. Mr. Rawson explained teenagers were riding bikes down the rails and the slide was not designed for that type of activity and therefore not covered under the warranty. Alderman Rossetti requested that the community police be available at the park once the slide is fixed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

88.	Mayor's Request	Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$3,587.			
	199734 (ID:12261)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
89. Mayor's Request		Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay FY15 invoices totaling \$1,280.			
	199735 (ID:12263)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
90.	Mayor's Request 199736 (ID:12262)	Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$800.			
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
91.	Mayor's Request 199737 (ID:12260)	Requesting approval for the Personnel Dept. to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$391.			
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
92.	Mayor's Request 199738 (ID:12169)		reptance of a grant of \$100,000 from the MA Substance Collaborative for a regional underage drinking prevention		
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
93.	Mayor's Request 199739		septance of a grant of \$87,831 from the MA Office of Elder l on Aging staffing, transportation and services for elder		
	(ID:12245)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee		
94.	Mayor's Request 199740		septance of a \$80,000 grant from the MA DMH Police Based gram for Police Department Crisis Intervention Team		
	(ID:12248)	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

95. Mayor's Request 199741 (ID:12247) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$40,000 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for the Police Department's Bicycle-Pedestrian Traffic Enforcement Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

96. Mayor's Request 199742 (ID:12255) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$37,315 from the Department of Mental Health, for the Police Department's Jail Diversion Program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

97. Mayor's Request 199743 (ID:12253) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$20,328 from the Office of Justice Programs FY16 Byrne Grant, for the Police Department's Active Shooter Response Training in schools.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

98. Mayor's Request 199744 (ID:12170) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$15,603.29 from the MA Department of Public Health Region 4b for emergency preparedness activities.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

99. Mayor's Request 199745 (ID:12171) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$9,990 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for mental health and wellbeing training.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

100. Mayor's Request 199746 (ID:12172) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,000 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for capacity building.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

101. Mayor's Request 199747 (ID:12250) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$1,700 from the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, for the Somerville Police Department's target hardening project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

102. Mayor's Request 199748 (ID:12249) Requesting the acceptance of a \$1,500 grant from the Metro Mayors Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for youth violence prevention.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

103. Officer's Request 199749 (ID:12364) Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance relating to the appointment of Constables (see #198252) as approved at the 8/12/15 meeting of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments.

Alderman Heuston explained that currently Constables are not required to be residents of Somerville. She pointed out the need to be protect the city's liability and ensure that Constables interact appropriately with the public. She stated surrounding communities including Cambridge have a residency requirement. She pointed out it is easy to be appointed in Somerville, but difficult to reach Constables to follow up on items. She recommended approval of this ordinance to institute a residency requirement. President White stated if the constables are not paying their fees and submitting their reports, their appointments should not be renewed. Alderman Heuston added that currently appointments are for one year, but the Board could change it every three years.

For prior discussion, see #198252.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

104. Officer's Communication 199750 (ID:12298)

Officer's Chief Fire Engineer responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-Communication exempt facilities.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 104 place it on file with a copy to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

105. Officer's Communication 199751 (ID:12240)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/25/15.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 105 and 106 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

106. Officer's Traffic a Communication schools.

Traffic and Parking Director responding to #199586 re: "No Idling" signage at schools

(ID:12243)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

107. 199753

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Willoughby Neighborway Pilot Project, Willoughby St, Aug 8, 7AM-6PM (raindate Aug 9).

(ID:12272)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 107 through 144 and approve them with items 116, 143 and 144 being referred to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

199754 (ID:12273)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Tiny Tots Theater Table, Davis Sq Statue Park, Aug 8, 9:30AM-2:30PM (raindate Aug 15).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

109. License/Permit 199755

Public Event Permit, WGBH Educational Foundation Video Shoot, citywide, Aug 15-16, 22-23, 1-7PM.

(ID:12274)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

110. License/Permit 199756

(ID:12275)

Public Event Permit, Arts Council Ignite Food and Fire Festival, Union Sq. Aug 15, 4-11:30PM (raindate Aug 16).

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED

111. 199757

License/Permit Public Event Permit, School St Block Party, from Summer St to Somerville Ave, Aug 22, Noon-8PM (raindate Aug 23).

(ID:12276)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

112. 199758 (ID:12277)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, BA Events Memphis Soul 5K Road Race, Davis Sq to Cedar to North back to Davis with afterparty in the Grove St lot, Aug 23, 7AM-6PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

113. 199759

License/Permit Public Event Permit, West St Block Party, Aug 29, 10AM-6PM (raindates Aug 30 and Sep 12).

(ID:12278)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

114. 199760

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Fremont St Block Party, from #74 to #88, Aug 30, 10AM-6PM.

(ID:12279)

115. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Fremont Ave Block Party, end of Ave at Lincoln Park, 199761 Aug 30, 11AM-8:30PM (raindate 9-6). (ID:12280) **RESULT: APPROVED** 116. License/Permit Public Event Permit, RCN Marketing Table, Davis Sq Statue Park, Aug 31 2-199762 4PM, Sep 1 4:30-6:30PM, Sep 3 Noon-2PM. (ID:12281) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 117. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Fairfax St Block Party, Sep 12, 10AM-7PM (raindate Sep 199763 13). (ID:12282) **RESULT: APPROVED** 118. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Democratic City Committee Picnic, Powderhouse Park, 199764 Sep 12, 11AM-4PM (raindate Sep 13). (ID:12283) **RESULT: APPROVED** 119. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Evolution of Hip Hop Festival, Union Sq 199765 Plaza, Sep 12, 1-8PM (raindate Sep 19). (ID:12284) **RESULT: APPROVED** 120. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Oxford St Block Party, from School St to Trull Lane, Sep 199766 12, 1-9PM (raindate Sep 13). (ID:12285) **RESULT: APPROVED** 121. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Kingston St/Campbell Park Block Party, from Cambridge 199767 line to 25 Kingston St and 24 Campbell Park, Sep 12, 3-10PM (raindate Sep (ID:12286) 13). **RESULT: APPROVED** Public Event Permit, Glenwood Rd Block Party, from Medford to Vernon Sts, 122. License/Permit Sep 20, 11AM-8PM (raindate Sep 19-the raindate precedes the event date). 199768 (ID:12291) **RESULT: APPROVED** 123. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Rock and Roll Yard Sale, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 13, 9AM-6PM (raindate Sep 27). 199769

**APPROVED** 

(ID:12287)

**RESULT:** 

124.	199770	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Pity Party, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 17, 4-9PM (raindate Sep 18).		
	(ID:12288)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
125. License/Permit 199771			mit, Community Credit Union Marketing event, Cutter Sq 19, 10AM-3:30PM.	
	(ID:12289)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
126.	199772	Public Event Perr Sep 19, 4PM-1AM	mit, Arts Council MUM Dance and Art Exhibit, ARTfarm, M.	
	(ID:12290)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
127.	License/Permit 199773	Public Event Perr (raindate Oct 1).	mit, Arts Council Goat Con, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 24, 4-10PM	
	(ID:12292)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
128.	License/Permit 199774		mit, East Somerville Main Streets "This Is East" film e Harris Park, Sep 24, 5-10PM (raindate Sep 25).	
	(ID:12293)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
129.	License/Permit 199775	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Haiti and Brazil Hit the Ville, Union Sq Plaza, Oct 4, 10:30AM-8:30PM.		
	(ID:12294)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
130.	199776	Public Event Perr (raindate Oct 25).	mit, Arts Council Fixer Fair, Union Sq Plaza, Oct 24, 1-8PM	
	(ID:12295)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
131.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer's	License, Mirra Co.	
	199777 (ID:12305)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
132.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer I	License, Apcon Inc.	
	199778 (ID:12445)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
133.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainlayer's License, Tascon Corp.		
	(ID:12306)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
134.	License/Permit 199780		e License, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.	
	(ID:12309)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

135.		Renewing Garage License, 120 Beacon St LLP, 120 Beacon St.		
	199781 (ID:12307)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
136.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, 120 Beacon St LLP, 120 Beacon St.		
	199782 (ID:12308)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
137. License/Permit 199783		Renewing Lodging House License, Walnut Hill Properties Zeta Beta Tau, 126 Packard Ave.		
	(ID:12310)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
138.	199784	Renewing Lodging House License, Walnut Hill Properties Alpha Omicron Pi, 25 Whitfield Rd.		
	(ID:12311)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
139.	License/Permit 199785	Renewing Lodging House License, Walnut Hill Properties Theta Chi, 100 Packard Ave.		
	(ID:12312)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
140.	License/Permit 199786	Renewing Lodging Sawyer Ave.	House License, Walnut Hill Properties Alpha Phi, 14	
	(ID:12313)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
141.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Theta Delta Chi, 123 Packard Ave.	
	199787 (ID:12314)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
142.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Alpha Tau Omega, 134 Professors Row.	
	199788 (ID:12317)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
143.	License/Permit 199789 (ID:12303)	New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy, no cars inside, 25 outside, open M-F 9AM-7PM, Sa 10AM-3PM.		
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	
144.	License/Permit 199790 (ID:12304)	_	se, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy, 4 cars inside, none 9AM-7PM, Sa 10AM-3PM for mechanical repairs, washing g vehicles.	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	

145. Public Communication 199791

(ID:12296)

Public 671 Somerville petitioners communicating their support for keeping natural Communication grass at Lincoln Park, not artificial turf.

Alderman Heuston explained that with only 4 square miles and limited open space, there need to be alternatives for expanding field use in other locations. Alderman Heuston sponsored Jason Suderman to speak for the 671 residents who signed the petition for natural grass at Lincoln Park. He stated the future of Lincoln Park as a natural preserve will be threatened if artificial turf is permitted. He said the artificial turf at other parks already have maintenance issues, and explained that it can affect the health and safety of children playing on it due to its high temperature in the summer. Lastly he was concerned it will impact the character of the city's largest park, and damage the city's finances. Alderman Ballantyne stated she is a proponent of natural grass fields.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

146. Public

Communication 199792 (ID:12356)

Lynn Weismann submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 146 and refer it to the Open Space Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

147. Public Communication 199793

(ID:12297)

Public MA DPU Chairman responding to #199589 re: addressing deceptive sales Communication practices used by some electricity companies.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 147 and refer it to the Public Health and Safety Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

148. Public Communication 199794 (ID:12299)

Public Joe Centrella requesting to appear before this Board regarding the Garage Communication License issued to Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 148 and refer it to the License and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

149. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199795 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken pedestrian signal at Powderhouse Boulevard and Curtis Street.

150. Order 199796 (ID:12446) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services perform the actions listed within to combat the rodent problem in the city.

Alderman Sullivan emphasized the horrendous conditions that exist due to the out of control rat problems. He stated it is a serious public safety issue which is getting worse especially with all the construction going on. Alderman McLaughlin stated there needs to be a way to more accurately track the rodent sightings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

151. Order 199797 (ID:12447)

By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the loose, uneven and missing sidewalk bricks in Davis Square.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 151 through 156 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

152. Order 199798 (ID:12448) By Ald. Sullivan, Niedergang, Gewirtz, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the crosswalk signal at True Grounds on Broadway.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

153. Order 199799 (ID:12449) By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the tree located across from 10 Bromfield Road for disease and take appropriate action.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

154. Order 199800 (ID:12450) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Lafuente, Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees at and adjacent to 71-73 Bailey Road.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

155. Order 199801 (ID:12451) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees on Pearl Street, from 240 Pearl Street to Walnut Street, so the street lights illuminate the road.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

156. Order 199802 (ID:12452) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Rossetti, Connolly

That the Director of Traffic & Parking enforce parking regulations around 240 Pearl Street, including the bus stop and fire hydrants, and explore traffic calming measures to deter speeding.

157. Order 199803 (ID:12453) By Ald. Niedergang

That this Board discharge #199610, requesting approval to apply for a PARC Grant of \$400,000 for Hovt-Sullivan Playground, from the Finance Committee for this Board's immediate consideration.

Alderman Niedergang sponsored SPCD Director Michael Glavin to speak, and Mr. Glavin thanked the Board for considering the grant proposal for funding for park restoration. He anticipated using grant funds from the community development block grant program for the match.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

158. 199804 (ID:12349)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, FRIT Riverfest, Assembly Row, Sep 12, 8AM-10PM (raindate Sep 13).

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 158 through 193 and approve them with item 173 being referred to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

159. 199805

(ID:12454)

License/Permit New Drainlayer License, Keash Excavating.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

160. 199806

License/Permit New Drainlayer License, Zoppo Corp.

(ID:12455)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

161. License/Permit 199807 (ID:12316)

Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 45 Sawyer Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

162. 199808 (ID:12318)

License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 75-85 Packard Ave.

163. License/Permit **RESULT:** APPROVED

199809 (ID:12319) Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 98 Packard Ave.

164.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

199810 (ID:12320)

License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

165. 199811 (ID:12321)

License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 125 Powderhouse Blvd.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

166. 199812 (ID:12322)

License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 9-11 Sunset Rd.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

167.	License/Permit 199813		House License, Tufts University, 17 Latin Way.
	(ID:12323)	RESULT:	APPROVED
168.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 40A-F Latin Way.
	(ID:12324)	RESULT:	APPROVED
169.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 29 Latin Way.
	(ID:12325)	RESULT:	APPROVED
170.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 43 Latin Way.
	199816 (ID:12326)	RESULT:	APPROVED
171.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 39R Latin Way.
	199817 (ID:12327)	RESULT:	APPROVED
172.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 21 Whitfield Rd.
	199818 (ID:12328)	RESULT:	APPROVED
173.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 100 Talbot Ave.
	199819 (ID:12329)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee
174.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 101 Talbot Ave.
	199820 (ID:12330)	RESULT:	APPROVED
175.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 45 Talbot Ave.
	199821 (ID:12331)	RESULT:	APPROVED
176.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 13-15 Talbot Ave.
199822 (ID:12332)		RESULT:	APPROVED
177.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 90-92-94 Curtis St.
	199823 (ID:12333)	RESULT:	APPROVED
178.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 37 Sawyer Ave.
	199824 (ID:12334)	RESULT:	APPROVED

179.	199825	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 13 Sawyer Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
	(ID:12335)	RESULT. ATTROVED
180.	License/Permit 199826	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Whitfield Rd.
	(ID:12336)	RESULT: APPROVED
181.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 15 Whitfield Rd.
	(ID:12337)	RESULT: APPROVED
182.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 56-64 Professors Row.
	199828 (ID:12338)	RESULT: APPROVED
183.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 92 Professors Row.
	199829 (ID:12339)	RESULT: APPROVED
184.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 106 Professors Row.
	199830 (ID:12340)	RESULT: APPROVED
185.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 136 Curtis St.
	199831 (ID:12341)	RESULT: APPROVED
186.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 176 Curtis St.
	199832 (ID:12342)	RESULT: APPROVED
187.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 12 Dearborn Rd.
	199833 (ID:12343)	RESULT: APPROVED
188.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 32 Dearborn Rd.
	199834 (ID:12344)	RESULT: APPROVED
189.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Professors Row.
10).	199835 (ID:12345)	RESULT: APPROVED
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190.	License/Permit 199836	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 14 Professors Row.
	(ID:12346)	RESULT: APPROVED

191. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 28 Professors Row. 199837 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12347) License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Delta Upsilon Fraternity, 114 Professors 199838 Row. (ID:12315) **RESULT: APPROVED** 193. License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Zeta Psi Fraternity, 80 Professors Ave. 199839 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12348)

#### LATE ITEMS

194. Mayor's
Request
199610
(ID:12201)

Requesting approval to apply for a PARC Grant of \$400,000 for renovations at
Hoyt-Sullivan Playground on Central Street.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance per #199803.

RESULT: APPROVED

By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston

195. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston
198203 That the Administration report its Action Plan in response to the recommendation of the Fields Task Force.

Discharged from the Youth Services Committee per #199664. **RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199840 (ID:12509) Call of the Roll.

President White held a moment of silence for Daniel Murphy. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Matthew Terrio.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199841 (ID:12510)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, July 9, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 199842 (ID:12511) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Congratulating the Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation as it celebrates 25 years of supporting the aspirations of Somerville High School graduates to attain a higher education.

Alderman Rossetti emphasized the importance of this foundation. President Favadoro said the foundation would hold a gala on October 17, 2015.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.
199843 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the cement curbs and the bench in Kelley Park that were put in the skate board area without authorization from the city. (Photos attached)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

5. Order By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.
199844 That the Chief of Police order directed patrols at Kelley Park to enforce the
10PM closing time.

Alderman McWatters explained the skateboarders at Kelley Park have overstepped their bounds by adding cement barriers and benches, encroaching on other areas of the park and using the park significantly past closing time. Alderman Niedergang stated there is a skateboard organization, DIY, that wants to respectfully and responsibly set up skateboard equipment that younger skateboarders can enjoy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Order By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.
199845 That the Director of Traffic and Parking notify MASS DOT about the
malfunctioning traffic signal at McGrath Highway and Medford Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

7. Resolution By Ald. McWatters, McLaughlin
199846 That MASS DOT consider placing a pedestrian signal at Chester Street and
(ID:12472) McGrath Highway.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order By Ald. McWatters
199847 That the Director of SPCD plant trees at 112 Belmont Street and 18 Richdale
(ID:12473) Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order By Ald. McWatters
199848 That the Commissioner of Public Works street sweep Harvard Place.

(ID:12474) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

10. Order By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the grass at Prospect Hill Park.

(ID:12475) **RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

199850 That the Administration consider the attached Policy Order recently adopted (ID:12476) by Cambridge for air traffic noise pollution, and report back to this Board at its

next meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

12. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199851 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the bulb in the streetlight at

(ID:12477) the entrance to Junction Park at Woodbine and Centre Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order By Ald. Niedergang
199852 That the Director of SomerStat inform the Ward 5 Alderman about the

199852 That the Director of SomerStat inform the Ward 5 Alderman about the likely (ID:12478) timeline for repaying Carver Street and Robinson Street and explain the

process for reconsidering the schedule.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199853 That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a second DO NOT ENTER sign

(ID:12479) on the southwest corner at Conwell Street and Highland Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

15. Order By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the decorative bench in

(ID:12480) Lincoln Park at the end of Fremont Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**RESULT:** 

16. Order By Ald. Heuston
199855 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 471 Somerville Avenue

(ID:12481) for a valid garage license and report back to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**APPROVED** 

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17. Order 199856

By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti

199856 That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) update this (ID:12482) Board on the Beacon Street reconstruction project and work with the Ward 2 Alderman on a Community meeting to update the public.

Alderman Heuston stated that the BOA needs regular updates and there needs to be informational community meetings to keep the public informed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

18. Order 199857

(ID:12483)

(ID:12484)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Chief of Police add a school crossing guard to the crossing at Washington Street and Hawkins Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order 199858

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking add solar blinking lights to the SLOW pedestrian sign in front of Catholic Charities on Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order 199859 (ID:12485) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks on Dane Street and the crosswalk at Calvin and Washington Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 199860

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the plan for fall plantings and flowers for Union Square and Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

22. Order 199861

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:12487)

(ID:12486)

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the catch basins along the entire length of Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Order 199862 (ID:12488) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works maintain and make needed repairs to all of the tree wells and traffic islands along Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Resolution 199863

(ID:12489)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration consider the development of a Tree and Bench donation program to supplement the City's investments in these areas.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

25. Resolution 199864 (ID:12490) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Administration develop a city-wide Open Space Integrated Plan for the protection, development, maintenance and programming of both private and public open spaces.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

26. Order 199865 (ID:12491) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking inventory crosswalks that need painting in Ward 2 and report back to the Ward 2 Alderman on a plan for having them painted.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 199866 (ID:12492) By Ald. Heuston, McLaughlin, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) and the Supervisor of Inspectional Services compile a list of properties citywide that have been granted Zoning or Planning Board approval or building permits in the last 24 months but have not completed construction, including the reasons why.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

28. Order 199867 (ID:12493) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board how the city addresses the increase in trash during late August and early September due to the influx of students.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

29. Order 199868 (ID:12494) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional bicycle racks on Washington Street, from Beacon Street to Union Square.

30. Resolution 199869

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration inform the Clark Street neighbors about the TV pipe (ID:12495)

testing which should have been performed in 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

31. Resolution 199870

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration add Bolton Street to the re-paving list.

(ID:12496)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. Order 199871 (ID:12497) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the lights on the median at the corner of Broadway and McGrath Highway and on Kensington Avenue, close to Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

33. Order 199872

(ID:12498)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works modify the sidewalk at 69 Pearl Street to make it ADA accessible.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

34. Order 199873 (ID:12499) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth along

McGrath Highway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

35. Order 199874

(ID:12500)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth at 22 Everett

Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

36. Order 199875 By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken lights on Everett

Avenue. (ID:12501)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

Order 37. 199876 By Ald. McLaughlin

That the City Arborist inspect the trees at 13 Everett Avenue and 43 Cross

(ID:12502) Street and take appropriate action.

**APPROVED** 

38. Order

199877 (ID:12503) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the sidewalk at 43 Cross Street is ADA compliant.

**RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

39. Resolution

199878 (ID:12504) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration place Everett Avenue on the re-paving list.

RESULT: APPROVED

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

40. Grant of Location 199648 (ID:12265) Submitted by Comcast for 40 feet of conduit in Windsor Place from Pole #439/1 to 600 Windsor Pl.

RESULT: APPROVED

41. Order 199659

By Ald. Rossetti

199659 (ID:12372) That the City Solicitor appear before this Board to address the concerns of SCATV and the city's contract with Comcast.

The City Solicitor addressed the Board, saying the existing contract with Comcast, which runs from 2013 through 2023, does not require that they provide SCATV an HD channel; neither is RCN required.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 42. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199879 (ID:12468) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on September 3, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The proposed Plastic Bag Ordinance was compared to other cities' ordinances. The Board will hold a public hearing on it on September 30. The next item was the home rule petition requiring city approval of an Institutional Master Plan for certain institutions; the committee recommended approval. Next was the Pervious Surfaces Ordinance on which Mr. Proakis and staff will present additional information on October 15. The last item was the private trash ordinance, and the problems that concern commercial dumpsters which are bound by state legislation. The City Solicitor will review the current ordinance and bring recommendations to a future meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 198000 (ID:10607) Requesting an amendment to the Trash Ordinance in Chapter 11 of the Code of Ordinances.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198393 (ID:10963) That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring an institutional master plan for any institution in Somerville.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199267 (ID:11842) That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance that institutional master plans must require home rule petition approval from the Legislature (per a 5/7/15 Planning

Staff memo).

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order

By Ald. Rossetti

199880 (ID:12464) That the Clerk of Committees request of Representative Denise Provost why H739, which she sponsored, requires that recycled bags contain a minimum of

80% recycled material.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 43. RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, meeting on September 9, 2015.

199881 (ID:12466)

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She announced there were 12 committee items that still require status reports

from the Supervisor of Inspectional Services.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution

By Ald. McLaughlin

199678 (ID:12389) That the Administration provide financial assistance to residents to combat rodent problems on MacArthur Street and all of East Somerville.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199683

That the Director of SomerStat consider other options for measuring rodent

(ID:12433) control efforts.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order

By Ald. Heuston

199882 (ID:12550)

That the Directors of Inspectional Services and SomerStat attend all meetings of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues or, if unable to attend, send

representatives in their place.

E. Order

By Ald. Heuston

199883 (ID:12548)

(ID:12549)

That the City Clerk request of Representative Tim Toomey that the state address the rodent issue behind 11 Austin Street and I-93.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

F. Order 199884

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Communications notify the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, within 30 days, of the plan to utilize Connect CTY and other means of communication to remind residents of the importance of rodent prevention, as directed in #199680.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

#### 44. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199885 (ID:12465) Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on September 9, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He suggested that all Aldermen review the new Article 14 of the Traffic Regulations regarding traffic management and traffic calming. He explained there are protocols for requesting temporary speed bumps and crosswalks. He also said 47 parking spots have been eliminated due to the work being done on Washington and Medford Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** #199586 is returned to the Committee on Traffic and

Parking.

B. Order 196185 (ID:8704) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a timeline to replace the traffic signal at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Streets.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Resolution 197707 (ID:10260) By Ald. Heuston

That the Traffic Commission consider eliminating the requirement that before a temporary speed bump can be installed, 66% of residents on the street must formally agree to request it.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 197890 (ID:10454) By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services update this Board on safety measures undertaken at the Elm Street bus stop located in front of Dunkin Donuts.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 198570 That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board and the School (ID:11144) Committee about enforcing parking regulations during street cleaning near

schools in the morning between 8 and 8:30 AM.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Order F. By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

> That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the status of Mass DOT work 198725

on McGrath Highway. (ID:11438)

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199058 That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board to discuss the (ID:11644)

on-street parking permits given to Tufts University employees.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199135 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the damaged NO LEFT TURN

sign at Cameron Avenue and Mead Street. (ID:11771)

> WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

I. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199137 That the Director of Traffic and Parking confirm whether parking is allowed in (ID:11773) the middle of the end of Fairmount Street abutting Russell Road, and address

installing a NO PARKING sign there.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order J. By Ald. Heuston

> 199269 That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Hanson street sign

> (ID:11844) at Village and Hanson Streets and install a ONE WAY sign for Hanson Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

K. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 199271 That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-paint crosswalk striping on

> Somerville Avenue to distinguish the brick paved pedestrian crosswalks. (ID:11846)

> > **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

L. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

199278 That the Mayor's Office provide to this Board by June 11, the consultant's study on the Traffic Commission's regulations for the public process to request (ID:11879)

traffic calming measures.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED M. Order

199281 (ID:11882) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking or the Commissioner of Public Works prevent vehicles from parking on the east side of Cedar Street at the Community Path Extension, as automotive fluids are staining the Path

Extension.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

N. Order

> 199283 (ID:11884)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a NO PARKING spot on the south side of Vernon Street at Trull Street to allow fire engines to

turn onto Trull Street, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Resolution

> 199343 (ID:11921)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the Administration arrange for members of the Boxing Club to park in the East Somerville Community School parking lot weekdays 4-9PM.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

P. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.

Communication 199360 (ID:11855)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Q. Officer's

> 199362 (ID:11860)

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 4/23/15.

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

R. Order

199415 (ID:12005) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the signage on side streets that only allow access to abutters at certain times of the day, by changing the word abutters to residents.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

S. Order

By Ald. Heuston

199462 (ID:12053) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install solar blinking lights at the pedestrian crossing at 270 Washington Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

T. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199463 (ID:12054) That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider traffic calming measures to reduce the speed of vehicles around Hoyt-Sullivan Park, including applying to reduce the speed limit on the entirety of Central Street to 20 or 25 mph.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED U. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 5/14/15.

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 5/14/15.

199563 (ID:12062)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

V. Officer's Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/28/15.

Communication 199564 (ID:12063)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

W. Order

By Ald. White Jr.

199571 (ID:12162) That the Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate why the directive in #198726, regarding notification to residents, property owners, and businesses of changes to parking regulations along Medford Street with respect to the McGrath Highway project, was not complied with.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

X. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

199586 (ID:12187)

(ID:12394)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the design, placement, effectiveness and enforcement of "NO IDLING" signs by all schools.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

Y. Order 199662

By Ald. Rossetti, Gewirtz, Connolly, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk at 64 College Avenue.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Z. Order 199690

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

(ID:12399)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police inspect, monitor and develop a plan to control the speed of traffic on Medford Street, between Central and School Streets.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AA. Order

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

199691 (ID:12400) That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the corners of James and Marshall Streets, at their intersection with Pearl Street, and suggest a plan to

increase visibility for motorists who are turning onto Pearl Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AB. Order 199693 (ID:12402) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at the intersection of Thurston and Fenwick Streets and Broadway.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AC. Order

199697 (ID:12406) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street from 7 to 9 AM and 4 to 6 PM, to ensure that motorists aren't illegally cutting through

Prospect Hill.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AD. Order

199707 (ID:12415) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 7 Alderman on a plan to clear up the confusing signage at Capen Street, 405 Alewife Brook Parkway and Capen Court.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 45. YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199886

(ID:12467)

Report of the Committee on Youth Services, meeting on September 8, 2015.

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The first discussion was how often the Recreation Department purchase report should be submitted. Next was the request to add 2 youth outreach positions to the Recreation Department. Alderman McLaughlin explained due to a decline in participation, the Somerville Youth Football League dissolved its Board, and the league is now supervised by Recreation. It will be spun off as a nonprofit; this will be reassessed within the year. Lastly, Babe Ruth baseball will continue to be a Recreation program, accepting all youth who want to participate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order

199665 (ID:12376) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Recreation and Youth appear before the Youth Services Committee to discuss changes to youth football and baseball programs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 199887 (ID:12537) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Recreation submit a detailed cost analysis of the Commonwealth Youth Football League.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

46. Mayor's Request 199888 (ID:12463) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$262,000 for Phase 1 of the Building Assessment/Preventive Maintenance Plan.

Alderman LaFuente requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 51 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 199889 (ID:12251) Requesting acceptance of an 18 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1114 Broadway.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 199890 (ID:12456) Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 From the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 199891 (ID:12457) Requesting approval for the Inspectional Services Weights & Measures Division to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$434.77.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 199892 (ID:12459) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from Mass Creative for the Arts Council to support organization and advocacy.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 199893 (ID:12506) Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$1,792.72 from the Mass DEP for recycling outreach and materials.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

52. Mayor's Request 199894 (ID:12461) Requesting the appointment of Robson Lemos to the Arts Council.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 53 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

53. Mayor's

Request 199895 (ID:12462) Requesting the appointment of Nan Levinson to the Arts Council.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

54. Officer's Communication Agreement.

SRA Special Counsel conveying an Amended Master Developer Designation

199896 (ID:12505)

Alderman Neidergang requested to waive the reading of item 54 and refer it to the Committee on Housing and Community Development. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

55. Officer's Communication 199897 (ID:12458)

Director of Personnel responding to #199656 re: employee vacancies.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 56 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

56. Officer's Director of Personnel responding to #199717 re: employee sick leave.

Communication 199898 (ID:12460)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

## **NEW BUSINESS**

57. 199899

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Overcoming Addiction Candlelight Memorial Vigil, High School Atrium, Sep 15, 6-10:30PM (raindate Sep 16).

(ID:12512)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 71 and approve them with item 71 going to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

58. License/Permit 199900

Public Event Permit, Irving St Block Party, Sep 19, Noon-8PM (raindate Sep 20).

(ID:12513)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. License/Permit 199901

Public Event Permit, Ossipee Rd Block Party, 56 Ossipee Rd to Packard Ave, Sep 20, 3:30-6:30 PM (raindate Sep 27).

(ID:12522)

60.	License/Permit 199902 (ID:12514)	Public Event Permit, Redbones Oktoberfest, Chester St from Elm to Herbert Sts, Sep 27, 7AM-6PM (raindate Oct 4).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.	License/Permit 199903 (ID:12515)	Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Brazil 5K Road Race, East Broadway-Assembly Row, Sep 27, 8AM-3PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.	License/Permit 199904 (ID:12516)	Public Event Perm College Ave, Sep 2	it, First Church Somerville Block Party, Francesca Ave at 27, Noon-6PM.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 199905 (ID:12517)		it, Boston-Prichard Ave Block Party, Boston Ave from , Sep 27, 3-8:30PM (raindate Oct 4).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.	License/Permit 199906 (ID:12518)	Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Foodie Crawl, East Broadway, Sep 29, 4-10PM (raindate Sep 30).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.	License/Permit 199907 (ID:12519)	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Solar System Pop-up Playground, Perry Park, Oct 3, 10AM-9PM (raindate Oct 10).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit 199908 (ID:12520)		it, Office of Commissions Candlelight Vigil for Domestic ss, Police Station to Union Sq Plaza, Oct 7, 5-7PM.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.	License/Permit 199909 (ID:12521)		it, HONK! Festival, Hodgkins Park on Oct 9, Davis Sq area q to Beech St on Oct 11, various times.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 199910 (ID:12523)	New Drainlayer Li	cense, J. Masterson Construction.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit 199911 (ID:12524)	New Outdoor Seat planter.	ing License, Taco Party, 711 Broadway, 1 table, 2 seats, 1	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

70. 199912

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Nine Bar Espresso, 11 Holland St, 4 tables, 8 seats, 1 A-frame sign.

(ID:12525)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

71. License/Permit 199913

New Garage License, ABJ Auto Repair, 91 Marshall St, 6 cars inside, 25 outside.

(ID:12526)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

72. Order By Ald. Connolly, Niedergang

199914 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead public shade tree on

(ID:12507) Cedar Street near Hudson Street.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

73. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199915 That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) relocate the hubway holding

station so it does not cover the gutter on Holland Street at PJ Ryans. (ID:12534)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

74. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 199916 That the Commissioner of Public Works reposition the black city bench so that

it does not obstruct the business mailbox at 1212 Broadway. (ID:12535)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

75. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199917

overgrowth onto city sidewalks on Barton Street and Hamilton Road, and take (ID:12536)

the appropriate action.

That Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 43 Barton Street for severe

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

76. Ordinance By Ald. White Jr.

> 199918 (ID:12539)

That the provisions of Ordinance 11-105, regarding the demolition of

buildings, be amended as described within.

Alderman White explained the BOA did not contemplate that an entire year could go by when asking for a revision of a building demolition permit and the Ordinance amendment will indicate time limits, when the extension can take place and the new notification process.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee 77. Order 199919 (ID:12540) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the ticketing of homeowners for overhanging tree branches per Ordinance 12-14, and that this Board consider amending that Ordinance to clarify its intent.

President White stated this ordinance was not in place to fine homeowners for overhanging tree branches. Alderman Heuston commented there are some obstructions with tree branches blocking and affecting businesses, and private homes have branches impeding public sidewalks, however this does need clarification. The intent would be to notify the home or business owner to correct the problem, not necessarily hand out a fine.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

78. Resolution 199920 (ID:12541) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti

That the Administration provide assistance, including financial where appropriate, to resident homeowners whose property is damaged from the roots of trees planted by the City.

Alderman White pointed out if a city tree is causing damage to a homeowner's property, like a sewer or foundation, the homeowner should not have to be financially responsible for the correction of the problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

79. Order 199921 (ID:12542) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD change the practice of not immediately responding to messages left at 617-625-6600 ext 2577 for homeowners seeking assistance for heating system rehabilitation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

80. Mayor's Request 199922 (ID:12239) Requesting approval to pay an FY12 invoice of \$45,000 in the DPW using FY16 appropriations.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

81. Mayor's Request 199923 (ID:12246) Requesting the appointment of Linda Ingersol to the Recreation and Youth Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

82. Officer's Request 199924 (ID:12538)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting for approval a Home Rule Petition to require city approval of Institutional Master Plans.

Ald. Heuston recused.

Ald. Rossetti moved approval of this Home Rule Petition, requiring city approval of an Institutional Master Plan for all large nonprofit institutions in Somerville. The language submitted in this item is what was developed in the Legislative Matters Committee's 9/3/15 meeting (see item 42).

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

83. 199925 (ID:12528)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Madison St Block Party, Sep 13, 1-5PM.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 83 through 89 and approve them, with 89 conditioned on having a police detail officer present. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

84. 199926 (ID:12529)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Food Truck Festivals of New England - SomerstrEATS, Powderhouse Park, Tuesdays Sep 15-Dec 29, 4-8:30PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

85. 199927

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Brain Arts "Grass Stains Somerville" concert, Davis Sq. Statue Park, Sep 19, 2-9PM.

(ID:12530)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

86. 199928

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Chandler St Block Party, Chandler St from Chapel to Park Sts, Sep 19, 3:30-7:30PM (raindate Sep 20).

(ID:12531)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

87. 199929

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Reunion Church Picnic, Powderhouse Park, Sep 20, 11:30AM-3PM (raindate Sep 27).

(ID:12532)

RESULT: APPROVED

88. 199930

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Highland Rd Block Party, Highland Rd from Kidder to Morrison Aves, Sep 27, 2-8:30PM (raindate Oct 4).

(ID:12533)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

89. 199931

License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Target Store T 1441, 180 Somerville Ave.

(ID:12551)

**RESULT:** APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** A Police Detail must be present from 1 AM to 5 AM. 90. Public Communication 199932 (ID:12543)

Public Tufts Senior Vice President submitting comments re: #198393, a Home Rule Communication Petition to require local review of all institutional master plans.

Alderman Rossetti announced a letter from Tufts University was received requesting a reconsideration of the Institutional Master Plan home rule petition. Alderman Rossetti disagrees and feels that institutions like Tufts University and Cambridge Health Alliance can work with the city to devise a satisfactory ordinance. Alderman Ballantyne commented that although large non-profit institutions create business and employment, they also protect their own interests, and the city needs to protect the public's interests as well.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### LATE ITEMS

91. Resolution 199933 (ID:12544) By Ald. McLaughlin

That this Board expresses its support for National Recovery Month and its proclamation to promote recovery.

Alderman McLaughlin sponsored 2 speakers regarding this item, Cory Mashburn and Malek Coroni. Cory read a Mayor's Proclamation that the month of September be Recovery Month in Somerville. Malek pointed out that Somerville lacks, but desperately needs, a recovery center. Alderman Connolly said there will be a meeting with the Mayor, Cambridge Health Alliance and support groups to work on this.

RESULT: APPROVED

92. Mayor's Request 199738 (ID:12169) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$100,000 from the MA Substance Abuse Prevention Collaborative for a regional underage drinking prevention effort.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

93. Mayor's Request 199744 (ID:12170) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$15,603.29 from the MA Department of Public Health Region 4b for emergency preparedness activities.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

RESULT: APPROVED

94. Mayor's Request 199745 (ID:12171) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$9,990 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for mental health and wellbeing training.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

95. Mayor's Request 199746

Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,000 from CHNA17 for the Health and Human Services Department, for capacity building.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

96. Order 199934 By Ald. Heuston

(ID:12545)

(ID:12172)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services create a Rental Registration Program to require owners of 6 or more rental units that are not owneroccupied to annually register those units, pay a registration fee, and provide information to facilitate inspections, notices of violations, and resolution of complaints.

Alderman Heuston emphasized the need for this Rental Registration Program and said it would be an easy database to create.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

97. Order 199935 (ID:12546) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 19 Greenville Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

98. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

> 199936 (ID:12547)

Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of September 9th.

Alderman Rossetti updated the Board on the progress of the new Somerville High School building. The architect has been chosen along with the operations project manager. There will be public meetings held every 2 to 3 weeks, with a website available for the public to view and communicate to the 14 committee members. The timeline is as follows: preliminary design completed by February, 2016; plans completed by May, 2017; construction starting in Summer, 2018; and completion by Fall, 2021.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

99. Resolution 199937

(ID:12554)

By Ald. Gewirtz, and the Entire Board

That this Board declares its support for the Administration's continuing efforts to work with the Baker Administration to deliver the MBTA Green Line

Extension.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 199938 (ID:12597) Call of the Roll.

Ald. Sullivan remembered Lucille Nuzzo with a moment of silence.

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 199939 (ID:12598) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 27, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 199940 (ID:12618) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Wendy Blom, who is leaving SCATV after 11 years of outstanding leadership as Executive Director.

Senator Jehlen and Representative Provost also presented Statehouse Citations to Wendy Blom.

4. Citation 199941 (ID:12619) By Ald. Lafuente, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Tony Matarazzo, who is celebrating 67 years of cutting hair--and being an irreplaceable part of the Somerville community.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

5. Citation 199942 (ID:12620) By Ald. Lafuente, and the Entire Board

Commending Mary Murphy, who is retiring after 28 years of dedicated service to the City in the Treasurer's Office.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Citation 6. 199943 (ID:12621)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Dr. James Green, longtime Somervillian and UMass Professor Emeritus, who has made tremendous contributions to the American labor movement.

**APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. Grant of Location 199944 (ID:12622)

Submitted by Eversource to install 5 feet of conduit in Beacon St from Pole 24/35 to a point of pickup at 260 Beacon St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy from Eversource presented the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

8. Grant of Location 199945 (ID:12623) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Network to install 533 feet of conduit from Eversource Manhole 2580 in Grove St near Kenney Park, along Grove St then along the Community Path, to a point of pickup at 48 Grove St.

The President opened the public hearing. Ron Donald from Access Engineering presented the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Gewirtz questioned the location of the work and plans for closing the street, and Alderman Sullivan requested final plans and traffic studies before approval.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 9. Grant of Location 199946 (ID:12624) Submitted by Two Squares LLC to install 8 feet of conduit in Prospect St from Pole 291/13 to a point of pickup at 211 Tremont St.

The President opened the public hearing. Bart Bussink presented the details of this project. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Rossetti expressed her concern about a private developer completing this work. President White requested documents from the Condominium Association be presented at the next Committee meeting.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

10. Grant of Location 199947 (ID:12625) Submitted by Highland CBD 260 Beacon LLC to install two groundwater monitoring wells in the vicinity of 260 Beacon St, one near 257 Beacon St and one near 252 Beacon St.

The President opened the public hearing. Eileen Flanigan from Highland Development presented the details of this project. President White questioned the pollutants in the area. Ed Giardano from EBI Consulting spoke about the solvents. Resident Leslie Pano questioned the well location. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. The speakers met briefly and addressed Ms. Pano's questions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

11. Order 199948

(ID:12569)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief of Police provide this Board with a list of all notices sent to property owners pursuant to Ordinance 9-97 (nuisance control) in the last two years.

President White discussed the background of the Ordinance, explaining this will make Landlords responsible if their tenants are creating problems in the neighborhood.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

12. Order 199949 (ID:12568) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly That the Chief of Police order directed patrols to monitor compliance with the STOP signs at Jacques Street and Edgar Avenue, and at Heath Street and Edgar Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Order 199950 (ID:12570) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) update the Ward 5 Alderman on the planned reconstruction of Cedar Street between Broadway and Highland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order 199951 (ID:12571) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the three dead trees in Magoun Square at K-2 Wine and Liquors, the New England Science Fiction Association, and the former Modelo Bakery.

Alderman Niedergang discussed the importance to provide funding for trees in developing areas of the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

15. Order 199952 (ID:12572) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange with the developer of 235 Lowell Street to plant trees in the two vacant tree wells in front of the building.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

16. Order 199953 (ID:12573) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the curbs and install sidewalk ramps at the intersection of Clyde and Warwick Streets, by Maxwell's Green.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

17. Order 199954 (ID:12574) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the two missing bollards on the Lowell Street bridge at the end of the Community Path Extension ramp.

RESULT: APPROVED

18. Order 199955 (ID:12575) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) consider installing a bollard at the top of the stairs at the Community Path Extension by Lowell Street, to prevent people from accidentally tumbling down the stairs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

19. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

199956 That the Commissioner of Public Works determine if the lighting at the (ID:12576) Community Path Extension ramp and stairs by the Lowell Street bridge is sufficient, and if not, install more.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

20. Order 199957

(ID:12577)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the Community Path lights between Cedar Street and Willow Avenue, as 5 lights are out near Cedar Street and 2 lights are always on near Willow Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

21. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199958 That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a DEAD END sign at the (ID:12578) intersection of Roberts and Hinckley Streets.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

22. Order 199959 (ID:12579) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing signage or a mirror at the intersection of Woodbine and Lowell Streets so cars exiting onto Lowell Street can see oncoming traffic before pulling out.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

23. Order 199960 (ID:12580) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works install new benches in the park area of Bryant Manor.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Order 199961 (ID:12581) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works dispose of the trash in barrels on Cross Street East, by the Stop and Shop.

Alderman McLaughlin spoke about the need to clean up the public trash barrels, as they are attracting rodents in the area.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee 25. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199962 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the paint from the sidewalks

(ID:12582) on Gilman Terrace.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

26. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199963 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the graffiti at the corner of

> Mt. Pleasant Street and Broadway and from the mailbox at Pennsylvania and (ID:12583)

Wisconsin Avenues.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

27. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199964 That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the broken street sign at the

corner of Minnesota and Pennsylvania Avenues. (ID:12584)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

28. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199965 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at the corner of

(ID:12585) Broadway and Melvin Street.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

29. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199966 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the crosswalk at Franklin and

(ID:12586) Washington Streets.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

30. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

199967

That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase parking permit enforcement

(ID:12587) on Rush Street after 6 PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

31. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199968 That the Commissioner of Public Works clean in front of the businesses along

> Broadway, and that the Supervisor of Inspectional Services reinforce the (ID:12588)

necessity of businesses to clean up in front of their properties.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee 32. Order 199969 (ID:12589) By Ald. Sullivan

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to prohibit the sale and use of synthetic cannabinoids and other dangerous chemical compounds.

Alderman Sullivan commented on the negative effects of drugs in neighborhoods and the need to prohibit these drugs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

33. Order 199970 (ID:12590) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees on Temple Street and Bailey Road adjacent to 71-73 Bailey Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Order 199971 (ID:12591) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panel at 83 Ten Hills Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

35. Order 199972 (ID:12592) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the recently installed sidewalk panels at 69 Shore Drive.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

36. Order 199973 (ID:12593) By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the defective street lamps at the Grove St parking lot at the community path, and at the corner of Winslow and Villa Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order 199974 (ID:12594) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass at Dickerman Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

38. Order 199975 (ID:12595) By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols at various times on Columbus and Bonner Avenues to stop motor motorists from proceeding the wrong way on Columbus Avenue.

39. Order

By Ald. McWatters

199976 (ID:12596) That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Atherton and Harvard Streets during the morning hours to ensure that motorists aren't making an illegal left turn onto Atherton Street from Harvard Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

40. Order 199977

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 34 Chetwynd Road and 146 Curtis Street for upholstered furniture kept on porches.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

41. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199978 (ID:12600)

(ID:12599)

That the Director of SPCD advise the Ward 7 Alderman about the test wells on the Tuft University field and at the corner of Professors Row and Curtis Street.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

42. Order 199979 (ID:12601) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 54-56 Sunset Road for excessive trash and take appropriate action.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

43. Order 199980 (ID:12602) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Arborist inspect the health of the tree at 17 Sunset Road.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of item 43 and 45 through 47 and refer them to the Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

44. Order 199981 (ID:12603) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 134 Professors Row for an open trash dumpster with overflowing trash, and take appropriate action.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 44 and refer it to the Public Health and Safety Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

45. Order 199982 (ID:12604) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD advise this Board on the number of new trees over the past 3 years that have been replaced within the warranty offered by the vendor.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

46. Order 199983 (ID:12605) By Ald. Ballantyne, McWatters, Rossetti, Niedergang, Lafuente, Connolly That the City Arborist inspect the health of the trees at the locations named within.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

47. Order 199984 (ID:12606) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD meet with this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy to discuss the selection and maintenance of trees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

48. Order 199985 (ID:12607) By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the dangling sneakers from the wires at 14-16 Curtis Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

49. Order 199986 (ID:12608) By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the concrete slab at 53 Conwell Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

50. Order 199987 (ID:12609) By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 39 Curtis Avenue #2 for more than 4 unrelated adults.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Committee Report 199988 (ID:12563) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on September 21, 2015.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were three Bonds kept in Committee for more information. All other items were approved.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Request 199611 (ID:12204) Requesting acceptance of the donation of a van valued at \$2,500 from Fire Equipment Inc., to the Fire Department.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 199728 (ID:12366) Requesting approval of this board, pursuant to Ordinance 2-121, to retain the services of outside Workers' Compensation legal counsel.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 199731 (ID:12362) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$158,000 from US2 Associates into the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan, McWatters

E. Mayor's Request 199732 (ID:12363) Requesting an appropriation of \$168,000 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for services in connection with the redevelopment of Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McWatters

F. Mayor's Request 199734 (ID:12261) Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$3,587.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 199735 (ID:12263) Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay FY15 invoices totaling \$1,280.

H. Mayor's Requesting approval for the Personnel Department to use FY16 funds to pay a Request FY15 invoice of \$800. 199736 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12262) I. Mayor's Requesting approval for the Personnel Dept. to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 Request invoice of \$391. 199737 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12260) J. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$87,831 from the MA Office of Elder Request Affairs for Council on Aging staffing, transportation and services for elder 199739 residents. (ID:12245) **RESULT: APPROVED** K. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a \$80,000 grant from the MA DMH Police Based Request Jail Diversion Program for Police Department Crisis Intervention Team 199740 Training. (ID:12248) **RESULT: APPROVED** Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$40,000 from the Metropolitan Area L. Mayor's Planning Council for the Police Department's Bicycle-Pedestrian Traffic Request 199741 Enforcement Program. (ID:12247) **RESULT: APPROVED** M. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$37,315 from the Department of Request Mental Health, for the Police Department's Jail Diversion Program. 199742 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12255) N. Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$20,328 from the Office of Justice Mayor's Programs FY16 Byrne Grant, for the Police Department's Active Shooter Request 199743 Response Training in schools. (ID:12253) **APPROVED RESULT:** O. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$1,700 from the Mayor's Office of Request Emergency Management, for the Somerville Police Department's target 199747 hardening project. (ID:12250) **RESULT: APPROVED** P. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a \$1,500 grant from the Metro Mayors Request Community Safety Initiative, for the Police Department's Shannon Grant for

APPROVED

youth violence prevention.

**RESULT:** 

199748

(ID:12249)

#### 52. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199989

(ID:12565)

Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on September 23, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about the renewal of a lodging house at Tufts University, and the concerns about incidents there. He also said Kmart's application to stay open 24/7 during the holidays was denied because of the Ward Alderman's concerns about neighborhood safety and late-night disruption.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

В. 198337

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pearl St Auto, 182 Pearl St.

(ID:10912)

**RESULT: CONDITION:**  APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

That the licensee adhere to the limits on the number of vehicles on the premises as demonstrated by satisfactory

periodic inspections from the Inspectional Services

Department.

C.

198459 (ID:11017)

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Pennypackers.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

D.

198460 (ID:11018)

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Rhythm n Wraps.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

E. License/Permit

199209 (ID:11701) Renewing Flammables License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

F. 199211

(ID:11703)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Pearl Street Auto, 182 Pearl St.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. 199542

(ID:12115)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Kmart, 77 Middlesex Ave, Seeking to operate Dec 19-23, 24 hours/day.

> NOT APPROVED **RESULT:**

H. 199619 (ID:12207)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy., from November 1, 2015, through April 30, 2016.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

I. 199635 (ID:12235)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, RCN Marketing Event, Davis Sq, 5 dates between Aug 15-Sep 15, 11:30AM-6:15PM.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

J. 199762

License/Permit Public Event Permit, RCN Marketing Table, Davis Sq Statue Park, Aug 31 2-4PM, Sep 1 4:30-6:30PM, Sep 3 Noon-2PM.

(ID:12281)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

K. 199789 (ID:12303)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy, no cars inside, 25 outside, open M-F 9AM-7PM, Sa 10AM-3PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

L. 199790 (ID:12304)

License/Permit New Garage License, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy, 4 cars inside, none outside, open M-F 9AM-7PM, Sa 10AM-3PM for mechanical repairs, washing vehicles, and storing vehicles.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

M.

License/Permit Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 100 Talbot Ave.

199819 (ID:12329)

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** That Tufts University submit periodic reports to the

Somerville Police Dept. on the number and type of incidents occurring at this Lodging House.

By Ald. Sullivan

199990 (ID:12629)

Order

N.

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services order Brazil Express, 429 Somerville Avenue, to remove the signage hanging over the public way.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

#### 53. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199991 (ID:12562) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on September 16, 2015.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed open space and field usage in Lincoln Park, as well as the Fields Task Force and the Gale report.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 199479 (ID:12094) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration update this Board on taking control of Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields from the State.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED C. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

199519

That the Mayor pursue negotiations with DCR for control of Foss Park, Draw (ID:12132) 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields and share regular updates with this

Board.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Mayor's

Conveying information about exploring Electricity Community Choice

Communication Aggregation for Somerville.

199561

(ID:12156)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

197711

Conveying the recommendations of the Somerville Fields Task Force.

(ID:10264)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199713

That the Commissioner of Public Works update this Board on the condition of

(ID:12423) all athletic playing fields, especially Lincoln Park.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199714

That the Director of Recreation report to this Board on the use of athletic fields (ID:12424)

by non-Somerville groups, and whether Somerville youth organizations' access

is restricted by those outside groups.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Order By Ald. Heuston

199992

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with a list of fields that would benefit

(ID:12561) from the field maintenance plan this fall and those that would not.

> RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 199993 (ID:12564) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on September 22, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He discussed the opiate issues and the services that can be offered to assist with these addictions through Somerville Overcomes Addiction. Alderman Rossetti withdrew her motion from the report.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED AMENDED: Item J (ID #12626) was Withdrawn. B. Order 198703 By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

(ID:11278)

(ID:11594)

That the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety on present and future fire station locations as well as other

matters before the Committee.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

C. Order 198951 By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the Winter Hill Market for rubbish and fine the business and building owner.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 199101

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration review with this Board its policy for curbside furniture donations.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin

199102 (ID:11779)

(ID:11750)

That the Administration and Chief of Police consider implementing a policy similar to Gloucester, where opiate addicts who ask for help are provided it and are not arrested.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

199151 (ID:11829) That the Administration, within 14 days, provide the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety with the Substance Abuse Counselor's job description and hire date.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Rossetti

199152 (ID:11830) That the city's Substance Abuse Counselor appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.

Communication 199360 (ID:11855)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

199480 (ID:12066) That the Director of Health and Human Services provide a revised job description, job expectations and performance measurements for the previously grant funded Somerville Cares About Prevention positions.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 199994 (ID:12626) By Ald. Rossetti

That this Board's President Aldermen discuss with the School Committee the role of Cambridge's adjustment counselors, relative to preventing and/or dealing with addiction.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

55. Mayor's Request 19995 (ID:12566) Requesting a transfer of \$85,000 from SPCD's Economic Development Professional and Technical Services Account to its Planning and Zoning Professional and Technical Services Account for additional zoning impact analysis studies.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 57 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

56. Mayor's Request 19996 (ID:12552) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$34,200 from the MA Cultural Council for the Arts Council's Local Cultural Council grant program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

57. Mayor's Request 199997 (ID:12567) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$12,500 from the MA Department of Energy Resources for the Office of Sustainability and Environment's assessment of community shared solar.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

58. Mayor's Request 19998 (ID:12558) Requesting the appointment of Christopher Galvin to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 58 and 59 and refer them to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

59. Mayor's Request 199999 (ID:12559) Requesting the appointment of Tommaso Saporito to the position of Permanent Firefighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

60. Mayor's

Conveying the recommendation of the Powder House School Disposition Communication Technical Advisory Committee and my selection for the Preferred Developer.

200000 (ID:12557)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

61. Officer's

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #199554, an amendment to Communication Zoning Ordinance 7.15, Medical Marijuana Treatment Facilities.

200001 (ID:12556)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 61 through 63, with item 61 referred to the Committee on Land Use and 62 and 63 placed on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

62. Officer's Communication 200002

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 7/9/15.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

(ID:12442) 63. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/27/15.

Communication 200003 (ID:12553)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### **NEW BUSINESS**

64. 200004

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Madison Street Block Party, Sep 27, 12:30-5PM (raindate Oct 4).

(ID:12616)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 64 through through 69 and item 71, approving 64 through 66 and 71, and referring 67 through 69 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

65. 200005

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Oak Street Block Party, Oak St from Houghton to Bolton Sts, Oct 3, 11AM-5PM.

(ID:12617)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

66. License/Permit 200006

Renewing Mobile Food Vendor License, Wizard Catering.

(ID:12610)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

67. 200007

License/Permit Renewing Garage License Application, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

(ID:12611)

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 68. License/Permit Transferring Flammables License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy.

200008 (ID:12613)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

69. License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy, 200009 Operating 24/7.

(ID:12612)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

70. License/Permit New Billiards and Bowling License, Thunder Road, 379 Somerville Ave, 1 200010 pool table.

200010 pool table (ID:12614)

Alderman McWatters met with business owners in the area, who are in favor of this new establishment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

71. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Chipotle Mexican Grill, 274 Elm St, 2 signs.

200011 (ID:12615)

RESULT: APPROVED

72. Public David Turin submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.

Communication 200012 (ID:12560)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

## **SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

73. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Marc Levye to the position of Chief Assessor and Chair of the Board of Assessors.

Request 200013 (ID:12636)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

74. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Mary McDonald to the Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners.

200014 (ID:12635)

(ID:12634)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

75. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Mara Santana to the Housing Authority Board of Commissioners.

Request of Commissioners 200015

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 75 and refer to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

76. Officer's Request 200016 (ID:12630) City Solicitor requesting approval to continue Gareth Orsmond, Esq, of Pierce Atwood LLP, as outside legal counsel for litigation of the proposed casino.

City Solicitor Frank Wright explained it's the same Attorney, who is now with a new firm.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

77. Officer's Communication 9 200017

(ID:12555)

Officer's Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 8/27/15.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 77 and place it on

file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. **RESULT: PLACED ON FILE** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

78. License/Permit 200018 (ID:12631)

Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets "This is East" Festival, Broadway between Caldwell St and McGrath Hwy, Oct 11, Noon-7PM (raindate Oct 12).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 78 and 79, and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

79. License/Permit

200019 (ID:12628) Renewing Drainlayer's License, Capitol Services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# LATE ITEMS

80. Order 200020

By Ald. Niedergang

200020 (ID:12639) That #199092, an Order that the Tree Warden report on public shade trees removed over the last 3 years, be discharged from the Housing and Community Development Committee and assigned to the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. Order 199092 (ID:11679) By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Tree Warden report to this Board over the last 3 years, how many public shade trees have been removed, and how many public hearings have been held.

Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

82. Resolution 200021

(ID:12640)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Administration report to this Board on the hiring of the new contract arborist and how tree work will be coordinated between the DPW and SPCD.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

83. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

200022 (ID:12641) Conveying a report of the High School Building Committee's meeting of September 23, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti mentioned the public can see updates on the High School at Somervillema.gov/highschool. All Committee info and updates on the new School discussions will be available there and on other social media sites.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

84. License/Permit 200023 (ID:12638)

License/Permit New Garage License, Intellident, 471 Somerville Ave, 5 autos inside, 6 outside, auto body work only, M-F 8AM-6PM, Sa-Su by appointment only.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

October 8, 2015, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 200024 (ID:12684) Call of the Roll.

The Board held a moment of silence for Bob Quinn. Alderman Connolly, President White and Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Bob Lynch.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 200025 (ID:12685)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 10, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## **CITATIONS**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 200026 (ID:12695) Submitted by Eversource to install 61 feet of conduit in Somerville Avenue from Manhole 20647 to a point of pickup at 443-449 Somerville Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy explained the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Because of trench work on the new sidewalk, Alderman Heuston added a condition that the Highway Department supervise the repair of the sidewalk upon completion.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** That the Petitioner schedule with the Department of

Public Works on-site supervision of the sidewalk repairs.

4. Grant of Location 200027 (ID:12696) Submitted by Eversource to install 42 feet of conduit in Glen Street from Pole 219/19 to a point of pickup at 163 Glen Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 200028 (ID:12697) Submitted by Eversource to install 138 feet of conduit in Broadway (near Alfred Street) from Manhole 2572 to a point of pickup at 563 Broadway.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Order 200029

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:12646)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services explain, within one week, the process to assist Dresden Circle residents with a rodent infestation, and why it failed.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Resolution 200030 (ID:12660)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration arrange child care during city-sponsored meetings, especially the fall ResiStat meetings, all Union Square planning meetings, and the yet-to-be scheduled Lincoln Park Neighborhood meeting.

Alderman Heuston discussed the need for child care in order to allow constituents to attend City meetings.

8. Order 200031 (ID:12659)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer evaluate the flooding and sewer conditions at the Ames Business Park on Properzi Way and Park Street, and provide the findings of flooding in the area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

9. Order 200032 (ID:12661)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board about Eversource's pruning of trees and vegetation near power lines, and whether there will be oversight of such work by city staff.

Alderman Heuston expressed her concern with outside agencies trimming trees, and recommended the work be supervised by DPW staff. Alderman McLaughlin discussed recent poorly-executed tree trimming in his ward. Alderman Lafuente pointed out the City has roughly \$20 million worth of trees that need to be properly maintained.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

10. Order 200033

(ID:12658)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove all DETOUR and related signage for projects no longer active, from various streets in Ward 2, Union Square and Concord Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 200034 (ID:12662)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the three (of six) bollards that have come unglued on the Lowell Street bridge sidewalk at the end of the Community Path Extension ramp.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

12. Order 200035 (ID:12665)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the curb at the Warwick Street elbow by the Community Path Extension ramp (as promised as part of the Maxwell's Green development), and provide the public a chance to comment on the proposed design.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

13. Order 200036 (ID:12668)

By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on plans to repave the Community Path between Cedar Street and Willow Avenue, and fix the damaged section near Willow Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order 200037 (ID:12663)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD install several U-shaped bicycle parking posts at the Armory and at the small businesses on the north side of Highland Avenue between the Armory and Lowell Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order 200038 (ID:12664)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD install two U-shaped bicycle parking posts on the sidewalk on the south side of Highland Avenue between Porter and Conwell Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order 200039 (ID:12666)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the broken lamp post on the northwest corner of Vernon Street and Glenwood Road.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 200040 (ID:12667)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment and the Commissioner of Public Works discuss with this Board, curbside gardens or bioswales, to reduce the amount of impervious surfaces, improve the environment, and beautify our streets.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about cities starting to plant grass and shrubs between sidewalks and streets to benefit the streets and the environment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

18. Order 200041 (ID:12669)

By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police insure that whenever a sidewalk is closed due to construction – especially near a school -- that there be a clearly-marked crosswalk or a police detail, for pedestrian safety.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

200042 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the uneven sidewalk on (ID:12670) Pennsylvania Avenue, between Wisconsin and Minnesota Avenues.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

20. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200043 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services bait around 240 Pearl street for (ID:12671) rodents.

> > **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

21. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

200044 That the City Arborist address the numerous dead and dying trees on Jasper (ID:12672) Street and back to this Board on progress in remedying the situation.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

22. By Ald. McLaughlin Order

> 200045 That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) plant trees at 9-11 Indiana Avenue, along Kensington Avenue and on the corner of Tufts and (ID:12673)

> > Cross Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

23. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200046 That the Chief of Police monitor Garfield and Kensington Streets, by the Stop (ID:12674) and Shop, during the morning commute for cut through traffic violations.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

24. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200047 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the trash barrel at the

(ID:12675) Speedway Gas station on McGrath Highway for rodents.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 25. By Ald. Ballantyne

> 200048 That the City Solicitor advise this Board, in writing, what compensation can be (ID:12676) given to property owners for property damage incurred by city plows.

26. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

200049 That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the safety of the tilting (ID:12677)

telephone pole at Clarendon and Weston Avenues.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

27. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 200050 That Commissioner of Public Works advise the Ward 7 Alderman about when (ID:12678) Powderhouse Blvd. between Burnham and Curtis Streets will be paved.

> > **RESULT: APPROVED**

28. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

200052

200054

(ID:12680)

200051 That Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken utility light at 1036 (ID:12679) Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

> **FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

29. By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti Order

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on the feasibility

of a traffic light at Foley Street and Middlesex Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

30. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

200053 That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police cite illegally

parked delivery trucks on Winter Street. (ID:12681)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti 31. Order

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on the feasibility

of a flashing pedestrian walkway on Broadway near the East Branch library. (ID:12682)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

32. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

200055 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services update this Board on the rodent

control measures recently undertaken on Winter Street. (ID:12683)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 33. Order By Ald. McWatters

200056 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels on

(ID:12686) Medford Street at Taylor Rental.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Order By Ald. McWatters

200057 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panel on Warren

(ID:12687) Avenue at Good Year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

35. Order By Ald. McWatters

200058 That Chief of Police order directed patrols to Somerville Avenue between (ID:12688) Kirby Place and Hawkins Street during early evening hours and on weekends,

to deal with unruly citizens bothering pedestrians walking to Union Square.

Alderman McWatters expressed his concern with people drinking and harassing others, which is intimidating businesses in the area. Alderman Heuston added Lincoln Park is experiencing the same challenges. She stated this is a trend in the neighborhood and resources should be provided to help people who may need it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

36. Order By Ald. McWatters

200059 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the veterans sign at Columbus

(ID:12689) and Warren Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order By Ald. McWatters

200060 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 29

(ID:12690) Warren Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 38. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, meeting on

Report October 8, 2015.

(ID:12657)

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She introduced two new firefighters, who were sworn in.

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	Communication 196343 (ID:8868)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
C. Mayor's Request 197829	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Daniel Eden as Constable.
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
Requi 19783	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Jean Alex Narcisse as Constable.
	Request 197830 (ID:10306)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
E. I	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Henseley Elysee as Constable.
	Request 197831 (ID:10307)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
F. Mayor's Request 197832	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Lohan Moreira as Constable.
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
G. M R 1	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Juliana Pereira as Constable.
	Request 197853 (ID:10403)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
Н.	Mayor's	Requesting the appointment of Oscar Perez as Constable.	
	Request 197854 (ID:10404)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
I.	Mayor's	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Frenchy Bonnet as Constable.
	Request 197855	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
J.	(ID:10406) Mayor's Request 199998 (ID:12558)	Requesting the appermanent Firefig	ppointment of Christopher Galvin to the position of ghter.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
K.	Mayor's Request 199999 (ID:12559)	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Tommaso Saporito to the position of Permanent
		RESULT:	APPROVED
L.	Mayor's Request 200015 (ID:12634)	Requesting the ap	ppointment of Mara Santana to the Housing Authority Board s.
		RESULT:	APPROVED

## 39. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200062 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on October 7, 2015.

200062 (ID:12656) Alderman La

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about an ordinance to allow part time employees to accrue sick time. He also discussed multiple bonds for work on Cedar Street, and several grants that were approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution

By Ald. Taylor, and the Entire Board

195734 (ID:8245) That the Administration provide this Board with a breakdown of special events (festivals, concerts, road races, etc.), indicating if they are/were city sponsored and/or privately sponsored, and including city expenditures for each.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 196588

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Recreation Superintendent appear before this Board to provide an update of all expenditures for the current fiscal year.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 197880

By Ald. Ballantyne, Lafuente

(ID:10443)

(ID:9123)

That the Director of Finance and the Chief Assessor provide a 5-year projection of new commercial office and new commercial retail revenues.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

197976 (ID:10575)

That the Director of Capital Projects present to this Board, no later than January 22, 2015, a 5- and 10-year plan for the use, development and sale of

City buildings.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Officer's Finance Director responsible Communication this Board's approval.

Finance Director responding to #197850 re: grants and donations that require

198023

(ID:10518)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 198091 (ID:10656) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of the SPCD (ISD) and the Director of Personnel appear before this Board to explain why health inspectors earn the same amount, or more than, building inspectors when they do not need to be licensed and building inspectors do.

H. Order 198093 (ID:10658) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Director of Personnel appear before this Board to explain how gained sick time is dealt with and how employees can take that time off.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Mayor's Request 198126 (ID:10601) Requesting an appropriation of \$225,000 and authorization to borrow \$225,000 in a bond for Phase One services for a Citywide Wayfinding Program.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

J. Public Communication

(ID:11229)

Senator Jehlen responding to #198182 re: the senior property tax deferral.

Communication 198423 (ID:10988)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 198643

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Recreation and the Finance Director update this Board and its Committee on Youth Services about any outstanding invoices for the Veterans Rink in FY14 and FY15.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Resolution 199134 (ID:11770) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Niedergang, Heuston That the Administration include a full time arborist position in the upcoming FY16 budget.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

199279 (ID:11880) That the Director of Finance report to this Board which engineering consultants have been retained for which projects from January through May, 2015, and provide copies of all such invoices to this Board by June 11.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Order

By Ald. White Jr.

199425 (ID:12018) That the City Auditor prepare a list of all no bid contracts for goods and services in excess of \$25,000 currently in force.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Officer's Finance Director respond Communication invoices, Jan-May, 2015.

Finance Director responding to #199279 re: Engineering consultants and invoices. Jap May 2015

199465 (ID:12024)

P. Officer's City Audi Communication contracts.

City Auditor responding to #199425 re: a list of exempt, non-publicly bid contracts.

199562 (ID:12121)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Q. Order 199717 (ID:12427) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Personnel inform this Board whether the new sick-leave law approved by voters last November applies to all City employees, and if not, who is excluded, and whether there are plans to address this exclusion.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

R. Mayor's Request 199729 (ID:12254) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$5,197,500 in a bond for sewer repairs to Cedar St.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

S. Mayor's Request 199730 (ID:12252) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,227,500 in a bond for water repairs to Cedar St.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

T. Mayor's Request 199888 (ID:12463) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$262,000 for Phase 1 of the Building Assessment/Preventive Maintenance Plan.

The Bond Order approved was the language submitted as #200124.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

U. Mayor's Request 199889 (ID:12251) Requesting acceptance of an 18 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1114 Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

V. Mayor's Request 199890 (ID:12456) Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 From the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

W. Mayor's Request 199891 (ID:12457) Requesting approval for the Inspectional Services Weights & Measures Division to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$434.77.

RESULT: APPROVED

X. Mayor's Request 199892 (ID:12459) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$2,500 from Mass Creative for the Arts Council to support organization and advocacy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Y. Mayor's Request 199893 (ID:12506) Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$1,792.72 from the Mass DEP for recycling outreach and materials.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Z. Officer's Communication 199898 (ID:12460)

Director of Personnel responding to #199717 re: employee sick leave.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

AA. Mayor's Request 199995 (ID:12566) Requesting a transfer of \$85,000 from SPCD's Economic Development Professional and Technical Services Account to its Planning and Zoning Professional and Technical Services Account for additional zoning impact analysis studies.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AB. Mayor's Request 199996 (ID:12552) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$34,200 from the MA Cultural Council for the Arts Council's Local Cultural Council grant program.

RESULT: APPROVED

AC. Mayor's Request 199997 (ID:12567) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$12,500 from the MA Department of Energy Resources for the Office of Sustainability and Environment's assessment of community shared solar.

RESULT: APPROVED

AD. Order 200063 (ID:12721) By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to allow city employees working less than 20 hours per week to earn sick time, and that the Director of Personnel provide information on the cost of the proposal.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AE. Order 200064 (ID:12722) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD consult with the new management team at North Point and report back to this Board on their plans.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

AF. Order

200065 (ID:12723) By Ald. White Jr.

That the City Engineer provide this Board with the storm water policy and a discussion of the 4 to 1 plan.

**APPROVED RESULT: FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 

AG. Order By Ald. White Jr.

200066 (ID:12724) That the City Treasurer provide this Board with Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund balance sheets and a report of water and sewer rates in the 15 largest MA communities.

**RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

#### 40. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200067 (ID:12651)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on September 30, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the public hearing on plastic bags and said the discussion will continue at the next meeting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### 41. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 1, 2015.

Report 200068 (ID:12652)

Alderman Rossetti explained there was no meeting due to lack of quorum.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 42.

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on October 6,

200069

(ID:12653)

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Public

Joe Centrella requesting to appear before this Board regarding the Garage Communication License issued to Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave.

199794 (ID:12299)

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

C. Grant of Location 199945 (ID:12623) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Network to install 533 feet of conduit from Eversource Manhole 2580 in Grove St near Kenney Park, along Grove St then along the Community Path, to a point of pickup at 48 Grove St.

D. Grant of Location 199946 (ID:12624) Submitted by Two Squares LLC to install 8 feet of conduit in Prospect St from Pole 291/13 to a point of pickup at 211 Tremont St.

RESULT: APPROVED

E. License/Permit 200007

Renewing Garage License Application, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave.

200007 (ID:12611)

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITIONS:** Approved for 6 months only, for mechanical repairs to

light bulbs only.

F. Order 200070 (ID:12718) By Ald. Heuston

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services periodically visit the garage at 712 Mystic Avenue to ensure that no major car repairs are being performed

there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Order 200071

(ID:12719)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 708 Mystic Avenue for proper upkeep and determine whether the trailer parked there is permitted.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 43. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200072 (ID:12655) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on October 6, 2015.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the Community Choice Aggregation Program, tree maintenance, and requests for information the City is waiting on.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 199092 (ID:11679)

By Ald. Gewirtz, Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Tree Warden report to this Board over the last 3 years, how many public shade trees have been removed, and how many public hearings have been held.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Grant of Location 199097 (ID:11825) Submitted by Vertex Companies Inc to install 2 groundwater monitoring wells in the grassy area just north of the Community Bike Path, 180 feet and 250 feet west of Cedar St.

D. Order 199133 (ID:11769) By Ald. McWatters, Sullivan, Lafuente, Heuston, Niedergang That the Director of SPCD determine if any of the city's trees have been infected by the Emerald Ash Borer, and report back to this Board with any strategy to save them, possibly by spraying Tree Azin.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Mayor's Request 199625 (ID:12238) Requesting authorization to develop a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) plan to aggregate the electricity load of residents and businesses, per MGL c164 s134.

## RESULT: APPROVED

F. Order 199951 (ID:12571) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the three dead trees in Magoun Square at K-2 Wine and Liquors, the New England Science Fiction Association, and the former Modelo Bakery.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 199952 (ID:12572) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange with the developer of 235 Lowell Street to plant trees in the two vacant tree wells in front of the building.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 199982 (ID:12604) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD advise this Board on the number of new trees over the past 3 years that have been replaced within the warranty offered by the vendor.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 199984 (ID:12606) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD meet with this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy to discuss the selection and maintenance of trees.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 200021 (ID:12640) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Administration report to this Board on the hiring of the new contract arborist and how tree work will be coordinated between the DPW and SPCD.

### 44. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200073

(ID:12654)

Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on October 6, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about bicycle safety, flight patterns and noise from the air traffic. Alderman Rossetti thanked Alderman Connolly for following through with conversations regarding the flight patterns and trying to resolve it. Alderman White also thanked Alderman Connolly and said the FAA controls which runways the planes use.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

199099 (ID:11749) Relaying the final report of the BU study regarding the impact of Logan air traffic on our community.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

199522 (ID:12137) That the Administration examine safety services at Assembly Row, in light of the previously unanticipated development of Partner's Health Care and Hotel, and report back to this Board by September, 2015.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199723 (ID:12443) That the Director of SPCD work with the Police Department to develop a bicycle safety campaign.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

199850 That the Administration consider the attached Policy Order recently adopted by Cambridge for air traffic noise pollution, and report back to this Board at its next meeting.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

200074 (ID:12717)

(ID:12717)

That the Administration update the Committee on Public Health and Safety monthly on data for Logan Airport Runway 33L, and that the City engage Wig Zamore and communicate with officials from Cambridge and other communities on this matter.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

G. Order 200075 (ID:12716) By Ald. Connolly

That the City Solicitor provide this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety with a listing of all ordinances and traffic regulations regarding bicycles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

45. Mayor's Request 200076 (ID:12359) Requesting approval to pay FY15 invoices from FY16 appropriations totaling \$53,666.71 in the Department of Public Works.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 45 through 52 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 200077 (ID:12650) Requesting the payment of an FY15 collection invoice totalling \$10,602.40 with FY16 funds in the Traffic and Parking Department.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 200078 (ID:12692) Requesting approval for the Inspectional Services Department to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$122.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 200079 (ID:12645) Requesting the acceptance of a \$59,791 grant from the MA Office of Public Safety for 911 training and emergency medical dispatch services.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 200080 (ID:12644) Requesting the acceptance of a grant totaling \$39,446.00 from FEMA, For the Fire Dept's Fire Prevention and Safety Program.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 200081 (ID:12643) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$13,050 from Mass Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's Union Square cultural economic development work--ArtsUnion.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 200082 (ID:12642) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,100 from the Mass Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's operational support.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

52. Mayor's Request 200083 (ID:12627) Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$3,922.61 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for Fire Department overtime expenses incurred for the Riverfest Fireworks.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

53. Mayor's Request 200084 (ID:12710) Requesting the appointment of Abigail Christian Mancini to the Library Board of Trustees.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 53 and 54 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

54. Mayor's Request 200085 (ID:12712) Requesting the appointment of Peter Scheidler to the Library Board of Trustees.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

55. Officer's Assistant Cit Communication aggregation. 200086

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #199625 re: a legal opinion on municipal aggregation.

(ID:12649)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 57 and place them on file, with 56 and 57 also referred to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

56. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/10/15.

Communication 200087 (ID:12637)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

57. Officer's Communication 200088

(ID:12648)

Officer's Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 9/24/15.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Traffic and Parking Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

58. 200089

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Stand Up for Bernie Pop-up Festival, Davis Sq Statue Park, Oct 12, Noon-10:30PM.

(ID:12698)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 58 through 70, with item 70 referred to the Licenses and Permits Committee and the rest approved. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

59. 200090 (ID:12699)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Food Day, 45 Beacon St (Whole Foods Parking Lot), Oct 24, 10AM-2PM (raindate Oct 31).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

60. 200091

(ID:12700)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, West St Block Party, Oct 31, 10AM-8PM (raindate Nov 1).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

61. 200092

(ID:12701)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Ghost Scorpion Productions Halloween Howl Concert, Davis Sq Statue Park, Oct 31, 3-8PM.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

62. 200093 (ID:12702)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Norfolk St Halloween Block Party, Oct 31, 4-10:30PM (raindate Nov 1).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 63. 200094

(ID:12703)

Public Event Permit, Jason Dedrick Run 4 A Cure Road Race, Davis Sq and area streets, Nov 7, 10AM-12:30PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

64. 200095

License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Odney Cab, Med #72.

(ID:12350)

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

65. 200096 (ID:12706)

License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Grove St Realty Trust, 48 Grove St.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

66. License/Permit 200097

Renewing Garage License, Grove St Realty Trust, 48 Grove St.

(ID:12707)

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED

67. License/Permit 200098 (ID:12709)

Sign/Awning Permit, Velir Studios, 212 Elm St, 1 blade sign.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED

68. 200099

License/Permit New Automatic Amusement Device License, Thunder Road, 379 Somerville Ave, 1 device.

(ID:12704)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

69. 200100

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Cantina la Mexicana, 21 Bow St, 3 bench seats.

(ID:12708)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

70. License/Permit 200101 (ID:12705)

Amending Extended Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St, seeking to remain open to 4AM, 7 days/week.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

71. **Public** Communication 200102 (ID:12711)

11 registered voters proposing a Zoning Ordinance for Inclusionary Housing, with a petition from 511 citizens supporting an inclusionary zoning ordinance amendment and a revised application process.

Also referred to the Planning Board.

Alderman Niedergang sponsored Ann Marie Astrousky, who expressed her support for inclusionary zoning. She explained the benefits for Somerville residents and for long term growth in the City. Alderman Niedergang supported this petition and emphasized the need to begin this process as soon as possible. The Board expressed the need for affordable housing and their support for this Zoning Ordinance.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

72. **Public**  Sara Rostampour submitting comments re: grass fields at Lincoln Park.

Communication 200103 (ID:12714)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 72 and refer it to the Open Space Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

73. Public Communication requirement.

Timothy McGonigal submitting comments re: the new Constable residency

200104 (ID:12715)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 73 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

74. Order 200105 (ID:12693)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works, the Director of Capital Projects and the City Engineer meet with the Mix-It Studios Co-op at 32 Clifton Street to discuss flooding from adjacent city storm drains on September 30, 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

75. Order 200106 (ID:12713)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

76. Order 200107 (ID:12720)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD explain to this Board, in writing, the comments discussed in the State SIP Report on the Green Line Extension.

Alderman White spoke about the state implementation reports and the City?s efforts to purchase property by the Washington Street Bridge, which the Board was not advised of.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

77. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

200108 (ID:12726) Acting as President, submitting a School Department response to #199994 re: staff responses to addiction.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

78. Mayor's Request 200109 (ID:12691) Request an appropriation of \$188,344 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of new DS 200 Voting Machines, and authorization to use those machines effective March, 2016.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

79. Mayor's Request 200110 (ID:12727) Requesting the appointment of David Ruff to the Police Reserve List.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 79 through 85 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

80. Mayor's Request 200111 (ID:12728) Requesting the appointment of Roger Desrochers to the Police Reserve List.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

81.	Mayor's	Requesting the appointment of Michael Marra to the Police Reserve List.			
	Request 200112	RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
	(ID:12729)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee		
82.	Mayor's Request 200113	Requesting the appointment of Gurpreet Singh to the Police Reserve List.			
		<b>RESULT:</b>	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
	(ID:12730)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee		
83.	Mayor's Request 200114	Requesting the appointment of Daniel Haley to the Police Reserve List.			
		RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
	(ID:12731)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee		
84.	Mayor's Request 200115	Requesting the appointment of Michael Carroll to the Police Reserve List.			
		<b>RESULT:</b>	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
	(ID:12732)	FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee		
85.	Mayor's Request 200116 (ID:12733)	Requesting the appointment of Robert Hartsgrove to the Police Reserve List.			
		RESULT:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION		
		FOLLOWUP:	Confirmation of Appointments Committee		
86.	Officer's Communication 200117 (ID:12735)	Police Department responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-exempt properties.			
			nte requested to waive the reading of item 86 and place it on to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the oved.		
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE		
		FOLLOWUP:	Finance Committee		
87.	License/Permit 200118 (ID:12725)	Renewing Garage	License, John's Auto Sales, 266 Beacon St.		
			an requested to waive the readings of items 87 through 90 n. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED		
88.	License/Permit 200119 (ID:12300)	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Lee Transportation, Med #7.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED		
89.	License/Permit 200120 (ID:12301)	Renewing Taxi Me	edallion License, Lochmere Taxi, Med #21,22.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED		

90. License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Ike Inc., Med #57,58.

200121 (ID:12302)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### LATE ITEMS

91. Citation By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board and the Mayor

200122 (ID:12694)

Commending Deb Connolly, who is retiring after 18 years of dedicated service

to the City, most recently in the Personnel Department.

Alderman Rossetti recognized Deborah Connolly for her hard work and

dedication to the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

92. Public Fred Berman submitting comments re: #200102, the proposed inclusionary Communication housing ordinance.

200123

(ID:12737)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

93. Officer's City Treasurer submitting revised bond language for #199888, a \$262,000 Communication bond for a building assessment/preventive maintenance plan.

200124 (ID:12739)

The bond language was incorporated into #199888, which was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

94. Order By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan

200125

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the gouge in the surface at

(ID:12734) Grimmons Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

95. Order By Ald. Heuston

200126 (ID:12738) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address this Board on dumpster inspections and provide a list of dumpster locations with their last inspection

dates.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 200127 (ID:12779) Call of the Roll.

The Board held a moment of silence for Tom O'Connor. Alderman Sullivan and Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Ryan McSweeney. Alderman McWatters and Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Rosemary Robinson. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Tom Buckley.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 200128 (ID:12780)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 24, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

### **CITATIONS**

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 200129 (ID:12785) Submitted by Eversource, with Verizon, to install new joint-owned Pole #36/3 in Bonner Avenue, 40 feet south of Columbus Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

4. Grant of Location 200130 (ID:12786) Submitted by Eversource, with Verizon, to install new joint-owned Pole #316/7 1/2 in South Street, then install 17 feet of conduit from that pole to 47 Hunting Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Everett Ryan with Verizon presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Heuston questioned the location of the pole, and whether it was necessary, and Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource stated that the DPW recommended that it be installed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 200131 (ID:12787) Submitted by Eversource to install 274 feet of conduit in Assembly Sq Drive, then Mystic Avenue, from Manhole #29178 to a point of pickup in Mystic Avenue at the Charlestown border.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 200132 (ID:12784) Submitted by Eversource to install 103 feet of conduit in Assembly Sq Drive from Manhole #26212 to the Partners Healthcare Administrative Campus.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 200133 (ID:12788) Submitted by Partners Healthcare Corp to install 133 feet of conduit from an existing telephone manhole on Grand Union Blvd to a proposed manhole on the Partners Healthcare Administrative Campus.

The President opened the public hearing. Dan Boyd representing Partners Healthcare discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

8. Grant of Location 200134 (ID:12789) Submitted by Federal Realty Investment Trust to 153 feet of conduit from an existing telephone manhole on Grand Union Blvd to a proposed manhole on the Partners Healthcare Administrative Campus.

The President opened the public hearing. Dan Boyd representing Partners Healthcare discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

9. Resolution 200135

By Ald. Niedergang

200135 That the Administration report to this Board about communicating with (ID:12757) Federal Realty Investment Trust regarding #199601, a request that FRIT provide the wages, hours and residency of everyone employed at the parcel 6 site, pursuant to the attached letter from Rand Wilson.

Alderman Niedergang explained that work in Parcel 6 is being completed by non-union sub-contractors. There has been controversy about the contractor's employment practices. Alderman McLaughlin added that FRIT has made promises recently that they have not followed through on.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

10. Order 200136 (ID:12758)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the broken pedestrian warning signal for the exit from the Magoun Square CVS onto Medford Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

11. Order 200137 (ID:12759)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD provide the Ward 5 Alderman with the locations in Ward 5 on the tree planting list.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 200138 (ID:12760)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 20 Albion Street to replace the one slated to be cut down.

13. Resolution 200139 (ID:12761)

By Ald. Connolly, McWatters, Sullivan, Heuston

That the Administration appear before this Board on October 22, 2015, to explain the rationale for scheduling meetings from 1 to 8 PM for the public benefits process in Union Square in November and January.

Alderman Connolly expressed his concern that constituents could not attend daytime meetings. Alderman Heuston discussed the public process for this undertaking.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order 200140 (ID:12762)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police, the Chief Fire Engineer and the Director of Traffic and Parking consider a "Don't Block the Box" program at key intersections that impede the flow of traffic and present a public safety hazard, and report back to this Board in writing within 30 days.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

15. Order 200141 (ID:12763)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional trash receptacles on Elm Street from the Goodwill store to Au Bon Pain and on Highland Avenue from Cutter Avenue to College Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order 200142 (ID:12764)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels at 56 Boston Street and 36 Greenville Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

17. Order 200143 (ID:12765)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD commission the arborist and tree warden to inspect the trees on Greenville Avenue, from Munroe Street to Boston Street, to determine their vitality and report back to the Ward 3 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

18. Order 200144 (ID:12766)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 36 Greenville Avenue, as it is entangled with the utility wires.

19. Order 200145 (ID:12767)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the grass at Prospect Hill and Dickerman Park.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order 200146 (ID:12768) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Director of Traffic and Parking, the Chief of Police and the Director of SPCD review the traffic problems in East Somerville and develop a traffic improvement plan.

Alderman Sullivan spoke about the traffic delays, mostly due to construction. He requested an action plan to resolve the heavy traffic in East Somerville. The Board spoke about specific areas with heavy traffic and the need to find a resolution. Alderman Heuston recommended the City carefully review MA DOT projects, and if their impacts are not properly mitigated, reject them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

21. Order 200147 (ID:12769) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the city's arborist inspect the recently planted trees on East Broadway to determine their viability.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 200148 (ID:12770)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works install trash receptacles on Broadway, between Austin Street and Mt. Pleasant Street.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Order 200149 (ID:12771)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works plant grass in front of the East Branch Library.

Alderman Sullivan commented that the poor landscaping in front of the Library was unacceptable.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Order 200150 (ID:12772)

By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lights on Broadway, from Fellsway West to Grant Street.

Alderman Heuston spoke about the upkeep of street lights, which has been unacceptable, and urged a review of the maintenance contract.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

25. Order 200151 (ID:12773)

By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lights at 10 Wheatland Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

26. Order 200152 (ID:12774) By Ald. Sullivan

That the appropriate city department work with business owners to encourage residents not to litter.

Alderman Sullivan explained there are nips littering the city. Alderman Lafuente recommended outlawing nips. Alderman McLaughlin also expressed his frustration with businesses not cleaning up their property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 200153 (ID:12775)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works NOT paint the double yellow line on Kidder Avenue when the road is repaved and instead, add a clearly marked bike lane.

Alderman Gewirtz commented on the area and the limited number of left turns, causing an overflow of traffic on Kidder Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

28. Order 200154 (ID:12776)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 44 Kidder Avenue so that there isn't a steep drop from the residential walk.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order 200155 (ID:12777)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services determine the source of fumes at Morrison Avenue and Clifton Street that are bothering local residents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Order 200156 (ID:12778)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Director of SPCD make a timeline available to the public for breaking ground on the new infrastructure project in Davis Square.

Alderman Gewirtz discussed the work completed thus far, including plans and budgeting, and expressed concern that the project is being delayed.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

200079

(ID:12645)

**RESULT:** 

31.	FINANCE COMMITTEE				
A.	Committee Report 200157 (ID:12743)	Report of the Co	ommittee on Finance, meeting on October 14, 2015.		
		approval to pur	nente reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including rehase new voting machines.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED		
B.	Mayor's Request 198160 (ID:10692)		oppropriation of \$500,000 and authorization to borrow that d for a comprehensive planning effort for Assembly Square.		
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE		
C.	Mayor's Communication		opear before this Board to discuss the City's economic outlook		
	198399 (ID:10981)	<b>RESULT:</b>	WORK COMPLETED		
D.	Resolution 199414 (ID:12004)	That the Admini report, by July 3	, and the Entire Board stration, with the Fire and Police Departments, compile a 1, 2015, of "needed assistance" calls made by each tax-exempt past 2 years. (2nd request)		
		<b>RESULT:</b>	WORK COMPLETED		
E.	Officer's Communication 199750 (ID:12298)	Chief Fire Engin exempt facilities	neer responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-		
		<b>RESULT:</b>	WORK COMPLETED		
F.	Officer's Communication 199897 (ID:12458)	Director of Perso	onnel responding to #199656 re: employee vacancies.		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED		
G.	Mayor's Request 200078 (ID:12692)		oval for the Inspectional Services Department to use FY16 Y15 invoice of \$122.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED		
H.			acceptance of a \$59,791 grant from the MA Office of Public aining and emergency medical dispatch services.		
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**APPROVED** 

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### RESULT: APPROVED

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RESULT: APPROVED

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M. Mayor's Request 200109 (ID:12691) Request an appropriation of \$188,344 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of new DS 200 Voting Machines, and authorization to use those machines effective March, 2016.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz

**ABSENT:** McWatters, Ballantyne

N. Officer's Police Department Communication exempt properties.

Police Department responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-

200117 (ID:12735)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### 32. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200158 (ID:12744) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on October 15, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the pervious surfaces strategies, and gave an update on the plastic bag ordinance.

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 33.

Α. Committee Report 200159 (ID:12747) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on October 21, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was a public hearing for new owner Speedway's request to keep their 709 McGrath Hwy. Gas station open 24/7. The Committee denied it, citing problems with trash, rodents, and late-night drunkenness and loud music. The Committee believed that extended hours were not in the best interests of the community. There was also a public hearing for Intellident's garage at 471 Somerville Ave. Abutters complained about the quantity of vehicles spilling onto city streets, and other businesses claimed unfair and possibly illegal marketing tactics. Finally, there was a public hearing on Mr. B's request to remain open until 4 AM at 142 Cross St. Currently they are licensed to remain open to 2 AM for deliveries only. Neighbors complained about loud noise late at night, and the Committee concluded that the extension was not in the best interests of the community.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. 197553 (ID:10077)

License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Brazil Express, 429 Somerville Ave., 1 sign.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

C. 199449

License/Permit New Mobile Food Vendor, Dino's Market.

(ID:12037)

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

D. License/Permit 199913

New Garage License, ABJ Auto Repair, 91 Marshall St, 6 cars inside, 25 outside.

(ID:12526)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

E. 200008

License/Permit Transferring Flammables License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy.

(ID:12613)

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS **RESULT:** 

**CONDITIONS:** 1. That the gas station and retail store be opened daily from 6AM to 11PM only.

- 2. That no music be played outside at the pumps.
- 3. That the property be regularly cleaned and baited for rodents, and invoices be provided upon request.

F. 200009 (ID:12612)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy, Operating 24/7.

**RESULT:** 

NOT APPROVED

G. 200023 (ID:12638)

License/Permit New Garage License, Intellident, 471 Somerville Ave, 5 autos inside, 6 outside, auto body work only, M-F 8AM-6PM, Sa-Su by appointment only.

H. 200101

License/Permit Amending Extended Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St, seeking to remain open to 4AM, 7 days/week.

(ID:12705)

**RESULT:** NOT APPROVED

I. Order 200160 By Ald. Sullivan

(ID:12806)

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment inquire of the EPA regarding the monitoring wells on private properties near the Speedway gas

station at 709 McGrath Hwy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

J. Order By Ald. Heuston

200161 (ID:12807) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services insure that Intellident, at 471 Somerville Avenue, is vacated within one week.

**APPROVED** 

K. Order By Ald. Connolly

**RESULT:** 

200162 (ID:12808) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services routinely inspect Mr. B's, 142 Cross Street, to ensure that the business is not open for on-premises dining after midnight.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

## PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200163 (ID:12746)

Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on October 20, 2015.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He reported that the amount of double poles has increased significantly, and said utility companies were instructed to remove 100 poles within 2 weeks. Alderman Lafuente expressed his frustration on the double poles, and the Board discussed denying utility permits until this issue is resolved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** That #196302 be returned to the Committee on Public

Utilities and Public Works.

В. Order 195746

(ID:8297)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Committee on Public Utilities and Works with a year end report on the performance of the street light repair vendor, including the number of lights repaired vs. replaced.

C. Order 195994 (ID:8505) By Ald. O'Keefe

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) consider revising its scheduling system for inspections so that it is more predictable for home owners.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 196302 (ID:8827) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the performance of the contractor who maintains the street lights, the terms of the contract and deliverables, and the process to ensure that street lights are maintained and operable.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

E. Order 196445 (ID:9063) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works, in conjunction with the State Delegation, request that the MA Dept. Of Transportation remove all equipment and inventory from, and clean and improve the entire area under, I-93, between Temple Street and McGrath Highway.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 196624 (ID:9166) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place new pedestrian crossing signs at crosswalks located at Perry Park, Calvin and Beacon Streets, Newton Street and other pedestrian crossing locations in Ward 2.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 196768 (ID:9304) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct all parties involved in the construction work along lower Broadway to provide better communication with neighbors in the construction areas.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 196888

By Ald. Gewirtz

(ID:9432)

That the Director of SPCD publicize the Davis Square Streetscapes construction timeline.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 196946 (ID:9487) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that there are enough trash receptacles along the Assembly Square waterway, adding additional barrels where needed.

J. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted April 24, Communication 2014. 196958 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:9413) K. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/8/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197063 (ID:9503) L. Officer's Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Communication Orders. 197065 WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** (ID:9429) M. Order By Ald. Gewirtz 197266 That the Commissioner of Public Works add Meacham Road and Cottage (ID:9814) Avenue to this year's street paving list. WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** N. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/22/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197314 (ID:9634) Officer's O. DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/26/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197354 (ID:9892) P. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to supplemental Board Orders submitted Communication 6/12/14. 197355 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:9894) Q. By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Gewirtz Order That the Director of SPCD (ISD) direct the utility maintaining the transfer 197387 station on Willow Avenue and Whipple Street to cut back the overgrown (ID:9937) weeds. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED R. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang 197395 That the Administration add Hall Street, Cherry Street, and Josephine Avenue between Kidder and Morrison Avenues to the street repaying list and report to (ID:9945) the Ward 5 Alderman when they are likely to be repaved. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED S. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to #197238 re: Shore Drive drainage. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

197423 (ID:9900)

T. Order 197482

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works confer with SPCD on the proper maintenance of Quincy Park, and clear the Park of overgrowth.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

U. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197495 (ID:10118)

(ID:10108)

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Ward 5 Alderman with the timeline for repaying Linden Avenue and Porter Street.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

V. Order

By Ald. McWatters

197502 (ID:10128) That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the appropriate utility company to remove the leaning double pole at 33 Columbus Avenue immediately.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

W. Order

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., McLaughlin

197643 (ID:10202) That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the state clean the space under I-93 in the Ten Hills area and in Ward One, and remove all vehicles and stored items.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

X. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197650 (ID:10209) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the bulbs in the three street lights in Junction Park nearest to Woodbine Street and Centre Street that have been out for many months. (3rd Request)

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Y. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197651 (ID:10210)

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the bulb in the street light on Woodbine Street that is second closest to Junction Park. (3rd Request)

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Z. Order 197659 (ID:10218) By Ald. Connolly, McLaughlin, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass Highway to request that they cut back the overgrowth on the right-hand side of the Broadway -

Somerville exit ramp off of Route 93.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AA. Order 197662 (ID:10221) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief Fire Engineer order the appropriate utility companies to remove the double pole at 33 Columbus Avenue as it is creating a public safety issue.

AB. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197684 (ID:10176) AC. Order By Ald. Niedergang 197722 That the Commissioner of Public Works notify immediate abutters in advance when a tree of a certain minimum size is cut down near their residence. (ID:10275) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AD. Order By Ald. Niedergang 197723 That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of any public (ID:10276) process that must be followed to cut down a tree of significant size. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AE. Public NStar Electric responding to #197625 re: planning for the redevelopment of Communication Union Square. 197737 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:10289) AF. Order By Ald. Niedergang 197793 That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the street, sidewalk, (ID:10363) handicapped ramp and catch basin work at Berwick and Hinckley Streets is completed before winter. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AG. Officer's Chief Fire Engineer responding to #197662 re: removing double pole at 33 Communication Columbus Avenue. 197834 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:10288) AH. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/11/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197836 (ID:10295) AI. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/23/14. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 197858 (ID:10405) AJ. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 197873

197873 That the Director of SPCD and the DPW Commissioner update this Board on (ID:10428) the lower Broadway construction, including e a timeline for completion, updates on any problems and explanations of tree selections and trash barrel distributions.

AK. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197883 (ID:10447) That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the developers of 143 and 181 Cedar Street to repair the sidewalks in front of their properties.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AL. Order

By Ald. McWatters

197892 (ID:10456) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panel in front of 7 Belmont Place. (Second request)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AM. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/9/14.

Communication 197905 (ID:10437)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AN. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

197972 (ID:10571) That the Commissioner of Public Works complete all work before the winter in the Magoun Square neighborhood on the street, sidewalk, handicapped ramp and catch basin at Berwick and Hinckley Streets and also at Fennell and Hinckley Streets.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AO. Order

By Ald. McWatters

197984 (ID:10591) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken and upraised sidewalk panels on Warren Avenue from Properzi Manner to Citizens Bank.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AP. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/23/14.

Communication 198025 (ID:10508)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AQ. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

198092 (ID:10657) That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board with a list of sidewalks that will be redone with new ADA accessibility under the \$2,700,000 bonding recently approved.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AR. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198110 (ID:10689) That the Commissioner of Public Works re-install the street light that was removed 4 years ago at 72 Curtis Street.

AS. Order

198156 (ID:10721) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works attach an explanatory tag to bicycles that are suspected of being abandoned to provide due notice to owners of impending removal.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AT. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

198195 (ID:10768) That the Commissioner of Public Works communicate with state snow removal agencies to ensure that state properties, such as Foss Park and Sullivan Square, are having snow removed in an expedient manner.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AU. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

198215 (ID:10796)

That the Commissioner of Public Works advise the Ward 7 Alderman on eliminating water pooling at 128 Powderhouse Blvd., caused by the new raised intersection at Powderhouse Blvd. and Packard Ave.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AV. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.

Communication 198256 (ID:10722)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AW. Order

ву А

By Ald. Niedergang

198280 (ID:10841) That the Commissioner of Public Works schedule another yard waste pickup this month, and report to this Board whether yard waste pickupsc can be extended through December in the future.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AX. Order

By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

198315 (ID:10892) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lamps at the locations described within.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AY. Order

By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

198316 (ID:10893) That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the ash trees on Chapel Street, and citywide, if necessary, be treated to prevent the infestation of the

Emerald Ash Borer.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AZ. Order

By Ald. McWatters

198351 (ID:10933) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the street light at Harvard and Monmouth Streets.

BA. Order

198352 (ID:10928) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lamp in front of 58 Dartmouth Street. (2nd Request)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BB. Order

198381 (ID:10951) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works note the lack of repairs to the city's streetlamps, as previously noted at this Board's last meeting, and attend the next meeting of the this Board's Public Utilities and Works Committee with the streetlamp maintenance vendor.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BC. Officer's

Communication 198420 (ID:10987)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/8/15.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BD. Officer's

Communication 198421 (ID:10854)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BE. Order 198442

198442 (ID:11035) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works look into the deployment of plow arm extensions, which can be lowered to clear driveways that have had snow plowed into them, and report to this Board about their potential use here.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BF. Order

198575 (ID:11142) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility company regarding low hanging wires at the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BG. Officer's

Communication 198602 (ID:11131)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/12/15.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BH. Order

198729 (ID:11442) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk on Warren Avenue from Properzi Manor to Citizen's Bank.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BI. Officer's Communication 198778

(ID:11280)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/12/15.

BJ. Order 198944 (ID:11587) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the stairs and surrounding area from Mystic Housing to the Healey School.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BK. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199129 (ID:11763)

That the Commissioner of Public Works or the City Solicitor report to this Board on making the Albion Street sidewalk contractor repair the sidewalks there or refund the city, and that the Commissioner repair those sidewalks.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BL. Order 199245 By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:11790)

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with the street paving plan for the upcoming season.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order BM.

By Ald. Heuston

199289 (ID:11876) That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Ward 2 Alderman with an explanation regarding a patched section of roadway on Hammond Street, which was recently paved.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BN. Order By Ald. Heuston

199353 (ID:11937) That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the Sacramento Street pedestrian underpass, set a regular cleaning schedule, and communicate that schedule to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BO. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/9/15.

Communication 199359 (ID:11677)

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

BP. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.

Communication 199360 (ID:11855)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BO. Officer's Communication 199361

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/14/15.

(ID:11950)

BR. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, Connolly

199499 (ID:12096)

That the Administration begin charging rent, or additional charges, to the owner of 240 Elm Street for every day his scaffolding remains on the public

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BS. Order 199516 By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board monthly on the Beacon Street reconstruction project.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BT. Officer's Communication

(ID:12142)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/28/15.

199564 (ID:12063)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BU. Order 199699 (ID:12407)

By Ald. White Jr., Gewirtz, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti That the Commissioner of Public Works examine 88 Pearson Road for connection to the city sewer system, including replacement of any pipes, and provide appropriate assistance to the homeowner.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BV. Order 199843 (ID:12469) By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the cement curbs and the bench in Kelley Park that were put in the skate board area without

authorization from the city. (Photos attached)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BW. Order By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti

199856 (ID:12482) That the Director of SPCD (Transportation and Infrastructure) update this Board on the Beacon Street reconstruction project and work with the Ward 2 Alderman on a Community meeting to update the public.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BX. Order By Ald. Heuston

199860 (ID:12486)

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the plan for fall plantings and flowers for Union Square and Somerville Avenue.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

BY. Order By Ald. Heuston

199862 (ID:12488)

That the Commissioner of Public Works maintain and make needed repairs to all of the tree wells and traffic islands along Somerville Avenue.

BZ. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 199867 That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board how the city (ID:12493) addresses the increase in trash during late August and early September due to

the influx of students.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order CA. By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works modify the sidewalk at 69 Pearl Street 199872

(ID:12498) to make it ADA accessible.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CB. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the sidewalk at 43 Cross 199877

Street is ADA compliant. (ID:12503)

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CC. By Ald. Niedergang Order

> 199950 That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) update the Ward 5 Alderman on (ID:12570)

the planned reconstruction of Cedar Street between Broadway and Highland

Avenue.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CD. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 199953 That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the curbs and install sidewalk

(ID:12573) ramps at the intersection of Clyde and Warwick Streets, by Maxwell's Green.

> WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

CE. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works install new benches in the park area of 199960

Bryant Manor. (ID:12580)

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CF. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 199961 That the Commissioner of Public Works dispose of the trash in barrels on

Cross Street East, by the Stop and Shop. (ID:12581)

> WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

CG. Order By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the three (of six) bollards that 200034

have come unglued on the Lowell Street bridge sidewalk at the end of the (ID:12662)

Community Path Extension ramp.

CH. Order

200035

(ID:12665)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the curb at the Warwick Street elbow by the Community Path Extension ramp (as promised as part of the Maxwell's Green development), and provide the public a chance to comment on the proposed design.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CI. Order 200036

By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on plans to repave the Community Path between Cedar Street and Willow Avenue, and fix the damaged section near Willow Avenue.

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# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CJ. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

200049 (ID:12677)

(ID:12668)

That the Commissioner of Public Works report on the safety of the tilting telephone pole at Clarendon and Weston Avenues.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CK. Order 200051

By Ald. Ballantyne

200051 (ID:12679) That Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken utility light at 1036 Broadway.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CL. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/10/15.

Communication 200087 (ID:12637)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

35. Mayor's Request 200164 (ID:12756) Requesting approval to transfer \$11,000 in the Health and Human Services Department, from its Personal Services Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to pay for summer school contracted nursing services.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 35 through 41 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

36. Mayor's Request 200165 (ID:12741) Requesting approval to pay an FY15 Dell Marketing invoice of \$81,312.50 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for Exchange online licensing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

37. Mayor's Request 200166 (ID:12742) Requesting approval pay an FY15 invoice totaling \$4,995 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for the Recreation Department's online registration system.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

38. Mayor's Request 200167 (ID:12753) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$1,613.03 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for the leasing of eight printers.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 200168 (ID:12748) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$225.79 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

40. Mayor's Request 200169 (ID:12752) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$183.52 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 

41. Mayor's Request 200170 (ID:12740) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$\$4,048.60 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for the Shape Up Somerville Program.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

42. Officer's

City Solicitor responding to #200048 re: compensating property owners for Communication damages incurred by city plows.

200171 (ID:12754)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 42 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

43. Officer's

City Solicitor Responding to #200075 re: Ordinances and Traffic Regulations Communication regarding bicycles.

200172 (ID:12755)

Alderman Connolly requested to waive the reading of item 43 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

44. 200173

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Sion Seven Day Adventist Church Acoustic Concert, Davis Sq Statue Park, Oct 25, 3:30-6PM.

(ID:12790)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 46 and approve 44 and 45, with item 46 sent to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

45. 200174

License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Community Laundry, 211 Pearl St, 1 sign.

(ID:12791)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 46. 200175 (ID:12792)

New Garage License, Sullivan Tire, 263 Beacon St, mechanical repairs, 6 autos inside, 4 outside, M-F 7AM-7PM, Sa 7AM-5:30PM, Su Closed.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

47. Public 200176

(ID:12793)

MA DOT Highway Administrator responding to #199846 re: a pedestrian Communication crossing at Chester Avenue and McGrath Highway.

> Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 47 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

48. Public

195 registered voters submitting a petition for a public hearing on economic Communication inequality, pursuant to Section 8 of the City Charter.

200177 (ID:12794)

Alderman Niedergang sponsored Rand Wilson to speak. Mr. Wilson thanked the Board for holding a public hearing on inequality. He urged an increase in minimum wage and an increase in sick time for employees. President White said he would schedule the public hearing promptly.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

49. Order 200178 (ID:12796) By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works work with MA DOT to fix the stop

light at Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway that is backing up traffic.

50. Resolution

By Ald. McLaughlin

200179 (ID:12797) That the Administration consider placing signs on handicapped parking poles prohibiting bikes from being locked on those poles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

51. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

200180 (ID:12798)

(ID:12799)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services work with the residents in Kensington Street to alleviate their rodent problems.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

52. Order 200181

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking communicate to MA DOT the need for painted lanes and signs to slow traffic along I-93 and Mystic Avenue along the underpass by Stop and Shop.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

53. Resolution 200182 (ID:12800)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration consider implementing the Racism Assessment Tools offered by Race Forward, that were implemented in Seattle to gauge municipal bias.

Alderman McLaughlin explained how this tool could help address racial issues in the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

54. Order 200183 (ID:12801)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works paint the inside of bike lanes on Broadway green.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

55. Resolution 200184 (ID:12781)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration provide this Board with a written update on the first report of the University Accountability Ordinance.

Alderman Ballantyne questioned what action is needed. Alderman Rossetti suggested the University reports go to Committee, as there are unanswered questions and conflicting formats.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

56. Order 200185 (ID:12782)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Arborist inspect the health of the trees at the locations described within.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

57. Order 200186 (ID:12783)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 7 Alderman on the start date of the bike path project behind the Tannery Brook Condominiums.

Alderman Niedergang said he received a communication from a Cambridge resident urging the completion of this work.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

58. Order 200187 (ID:12795)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD install a U-shaped bicycle parking post on the sidewalk at 278 Highland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

59. Mayor's Request 200188 (ID:12751) Requesting approval pay a FY15 invoice of \$221.19 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, for a leased copier.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 59 and 60 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

60. Mayor's Request 200189 (ID:12749) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$215.70 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, to pay for a copier lease.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

61. Mayor's Request 200190 (ID:12810) Requesting the appointment of Sergey Vasilyev as a Special Police Officer for the Housing Authority Police.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 61 and 62 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

62. Mayor's Request 200191 (ID:12811) Requesting the appointment of Anthony Crutchfield as a Special Police Officer for the Housing Authority Police.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

63. Officer's
Communication
200192
(ID:12736)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/24/15.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 63 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

64. License/Permit 200193

(ID:12804)

Renewing Drainlayer's License, Nelm Corp.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 64 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

65. Public

Harvard University submitting its Fall 2015 University Accountability report.

Communication 200194 (ID:12805)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

#### **LATE ITEMS**

66. Public

Tufts University submitting its Fall 2015 University Accountability report.

Communication 200195 (ID:12813)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

67. Order 200196 (ID:12816)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with a breakdown of the residential exemption for 1, 2, 3 and 4 family homes, and the number owned by residents, and that this be provided annually going forward.

Alderman White spoke about affordable housing units. He explained how the residential exemption is calculated and urged analysis to determine resident versus absentee landlords. Currently the market supports investors who buy houses for cash and rent them out as absentee landlords.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

68. Public Communication 200197 (ID:12814)

Public Speedway LLC requesting that the Committee on Licenses and Permits Communication reconvene to consider Speedway's Extended Operating Hours application.

Alderman Sullivan discussed the negative impact the Speedway gas station's overnight hours have in the area, and said the Committee on Licenses and Permits was not interested in re-considering this item. Board members expressed their support for the Committee's position.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 200201 (ID:12868) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Robert McInnis and Eleanor Cantalupa. Alderman Connolly and Alderman Gewirtz held a moment of silence for Barbara Carney. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Barbara LeBlanc-Ortiz and Mary Brault. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for David Racicot.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 200202 (ID:12869)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 8, 2015.

RESULT: APPROVED

## **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 200203 (ID:12871)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Firefighter Jay McKenzie, winner of the Thomas Chetham Firefighter of the Year Award presented by American Legion Post 19.

4. Citation 200204 (ID:12872)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Police Officers Albert Gee and Yvon Jean-Jaques, winners of the Alexander McQuestion Police Officer of the Year Award presented by American Legion Post 19.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 200205 (ID:12873) Submitted by Eversource, to install Pole 362/8 in Webster Ave, and 46 feet of conduit from that pole to a point of pickup at 70 Prospect St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

6. Withdrawn 200206 (ID:12874)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

7. Grant of Location 200207 (ID:12875) Submitted by Eversource, to install 147 feet of conduit in Somerville Ave and Spring St, from Manhole #20639 to a point of pickup at 593-595 Somerville Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 200208 (ID:12876) Submitted by Eversource, to install 12 feet of conduit in South St, from Pole #316/2 to a point of pickup at 16 South St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Grant of Location 200209 (ID:12877) Submitted by Action Environmental Solutions, to install 4 groundwater monitoring wells in the vicinity of 2-13 Alpine St.

The President opened the public hearing. Glenn Carlson with Action Environment Solutions presented the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

10. Officer's Request 200210 (ID:12917) Chief Assessor's Classification Hearing Report regarding the adoption of Tax Levy Percentages for FY16, including a minimum residential factor and a residential exemption.

The President opened the public hearing. Mayor Curtatone thanked the Board for their participation throughout this process. He spoke about tax relief initiatives that the City is offering. There has been an increase in commercial growth, leading to additional tax revenue. Alderman Rossetti inquired about the senior work off limits and the lack of seniors involved due to the income level. Mayor Curtatone reviewed the increases in income level that took place at the end of FY15. President White expressed his concern that residents don't see any relief despite the new construction taking place. Mayor Curtatone recognized the need to close the tax gap between commercial and residential in order to take the burden off the residents. Alderman Ballantyne questioned what the breakdown between commercial and residential should be, and Mayor Curtatone replied 40% commercial, 60% Residential.

City Assessor Marc Levye presented the details of the Tax Levy for FY 2016, with his recommendations. President White added this will be the lowest tax rate they could apply for residents. Alderman Rossetti questioned how to help constituents avoid a large tax increase next year. President White said the only way taxes will increase is if the budget increases. Marc Levye gave a breakdown by neighborhood and percentage increase over the next year. He spoke about the estimated growth for FY16 and the major contributors to this increase.

Resident Claudia Murrow expressed her concern that even with all of the construction in the City, taxes to homeowners weren't being reduced. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

Two motions were approved by Roll Call as above:

- 1. That this Board adopts a minimum residential factor of 87.0237, the legal minimum for the City of Somerville for FY2016.
- 2. That this Board accepts the provisions of Chapter 59, Section 5c approving a residential exemption of 35% of average assessed value for owner occupied properties for FY2016.

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

11. Resolution 200211 (ID:12836)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration explain the process for exempting streets from next year's change in the Snow Emergency Parking plan.

Alderman Connolly requested to waive the readings of items 11 through 88, and 90 through 101, except for items 16, 99 and 100, and approve them, with the President determining the appropriate committees for any follow-up. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Resolution 200212

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:12837)

That the Administration consider exempting Whitman Street from the 2016 Snow Emergency Parking plan.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 200213 (ID:12838) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD add Vinal Street to the city's repaying list.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

14. Order 200214 (ID:12840) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Niedergang

That the Chief of Police implement a directed patrol to the area surrounding 483 Medford Street during the evening hours.

**APPROVED** 

15. Order 200215

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional lighting in the area

(ID:12841) of 483 Medford Street.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

16. Order 200216 By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:12918)

That the City Clerk invite the Logan Airport Community Advisory Committee representative to this Board's next meeting to recommend action for the increased impact of Logan air traffic.

Alderman Rossetti discussed her concerns with the ongoing air traffic noise, and recommended meeting with others in the community resolve this issue. President White recommended bringing specific resolutions to the Board for review and approval, and continuing in-depth conversations in the Public Health and Public Safety Committee.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

17. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

200217

Reporting on the November 4, 2015 meeting of the High School Building

(ID:12839) Committee.

> **RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

18. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin

200218 (ID:12831)

That the Board of Election Commissioners move the Ward 1 Precinct 2 polling location to the East Somerville library.

19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash by Mt. Vernon 200219 (ID:12846)

Street and Broadway, on the highway side of the street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

20. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200220 (ID:12847)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the General Insulation building on Cross Street for signs of rodent activity and update the Ward 1

Alderman of the findings.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

21. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200221 (ID:12848)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services order the owner of the billboard on McGrath Highway behind Chester Avenue to remove the debris from the

area.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

22. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200222 (ID:12849)

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide more lighting on Cross Street, between Pearl Street and McGrath Highway.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

23. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200223 (ID:12850)

That the Commissioner of Public Works create clearly defined lines along Walnut Street, by Pearl Street and Broadway, to eliminate two lane traffic problems.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200224 (ID:12851)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the downed street signs at Patsy's Pastry.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> 200225 (ID:12852)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address the unauthorized motorcycle repairs being performed on Rush Street.

26.	Order 200226 (ID:12919)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the lights on batting cages inside the Edgerly School.		
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED	
27.	Order 200227 (ID:12920)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works make the East Somerville Library bathroom ADA-compliant.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
28.	Order 200228 (ID:12921)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the grassy area on McGrath Highway adjacent to 42 Otis Street.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
29.	Order 200229 (ID:12922)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works install a street light on the corner of Otis Street and McGrath Highway by the overpass.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
30.	Order 200230 (ID:12923)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works address the tangled wires at 35 Otis Street.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
31.	Order 200231 (ID:12924)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Chief of Police address speeding issues on New Washington Street Cobble Hill.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
200232		By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore speed reducing measures on New Washington Street, behind Cobble Hill and by the dog park.		
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	APPROVED Traffic and Parking Committee	
33.	3. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200233 That the Chief of Police monitor speeding on Florence Street and ir temporary radar monitor on Florence Street.		Police monitor speeding on Florence Street and install a	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

34. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200234 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install blinking SLOW signs by the (ID:12927) new Symphony Park. **RESULT: APPROVED** 35. Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lights on 200235 Washington Street, between Tufts and Florence Streets, and in front of the park (ID:12928) on Florence Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 36. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200236 That the Commissioner of Public Works install an ADA accessible ramp on the Pearl Street side of the East Somerville Community School. (ID:12929) **RESULT: APPROVED** 37. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin 200237 That the Administration update this Board on the construction plans for Pearl (ID:12930) Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 38. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200238 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services monitor and bait Otis Street for (ID:12931) rodents, particularly near the Edgerly School and 15 Otis street. **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 39. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200239 That the Commissioner of Public Works clean out the alley between the Edgerly School and 15 Otis Street. (ID:12932) **RESULT: APPROVED** 40. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200240 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a sign on Cross Street East prohibiting cutoff traffic onto I-93. (ID:12933) **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 41. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200241 That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board of parking permit

**APPROVED** 

options for residents who rent cars for more than three days.

(ID:12934)

**RESULT:** 

November 24, 2015 42. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200242 That the Director of SPCD consider replacing the trees at 31 and 33 Franklin (ID:12935) Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 43. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200243 That the Commissioner of Public Works contact Mass DOT about shoveling the paths by Sullivan Square before snow falls. (ID:12936) **RESULT: APPROVED** 44. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200244 That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure construction signs are taken (ID:12937) down along Broadway after construction. **RESULT: APPROVED** 45. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200245 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services update this Board on the rodent birth control program. (ID:12938) **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 46. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin 200246 That the Administration request rodent sightings be placed as an icon on the (ID:12939) Commonwealth Connect app. **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 47. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200247 That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain the policy of guest parking (ID:12940) passes expiring on Saturdays. **APPROVED RESULT:** 

> **FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

48. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200248 That the Director of SPCD plant trees on the bottom of Myrtle Street, by (ID:12941) Washington Street.

49. Order

By Ald. Niedergang 200249

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on complaints (ID:12853) about overzealous and mistaken ticketing by Health Inspectors for minor infractions of trash and yard regulations.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

50. Order 200250 (ID:12854) By Ald. Niedergang, Lafuente

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at Central and

Forster Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

Order 51. 200251 (ID:12855)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor report to this Board on ordinances or regulations that require cable companies and other utilities to remove abandoned lines when installing new ones, and if there are no such ordinances or regulations, to draft such an ordinance for this Board's consideration.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

Legislative Matters Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

52. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200252 (ID:12856) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services enforce the trash regulations in the alley beside the Modelo Market and Café and Latino Americas Market in Magoun Square as well as the entire backyard behind 495-499 Medford Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200253 (ID:12857)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign at the corner of Medford and Lowell Streets.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

54. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200254

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the lamp post at Old

Magoun's Saloon in Magoun Square. (ID:12858)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

55. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200255 (ID:12859) That the Director of SPCD direct CVS to replace the missing lamp post in their parking lot behind the Dunkin' Donuts in Magoun Square.

56. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200256 That the Director of SPCD direct CVS to repair the two floodlights on the back (ID:12860)

of the CVS building, to illuminate the parking lot.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

57. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 200257 (ID:12861)

That the Commissioner of Public Works check the timer on the Kennedy playground lights as they turn on and shut off at random times.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

58. Order By Ald. Niedergang, Lafuente

> 200258 (ID:12862)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on getting the owner of 9 Pembroke Street to repair the dangerous front stairs and porch.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 200259 (ID:12863)

That the Director of SPCD install pigeon spikes underneath the Lowell Street bridge, above the Community Path Extension.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

60. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 200260 (ID:12864)

That this Board discharge item #198088 from the Committee on Housing and Community Development and refer it to the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

61. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200261

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk that is collapsing

in front of 11 Woodbine Street. (ID:12968)

**APPROVED** RESULT:

62. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 200262 (ID:12969)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on whether the use of mirrors to provide improved sight lines for exiting driveways or narrow streets has been considered here.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 63. Order 200263 (ID:12970)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider the attached suggestions from Ward 5 residents to improve traffic flow during rush hours in Magoun Square and report back to this Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

64. Order 200264 (ID:12842)

By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the 3 raised sidewalk panels at 61 Dartmouth Street so they align with the curb.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

65. Order 200265 (ID:12865)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.
That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree in the Florence

Playground near 14 Pinckney Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

66. Order 200266 (ID:12866)

By Ald. Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works repaint the faded NO CYCLING markers on sidewalks and install NO BIKE RIDING – PLEASE WALK YOUR BIKE signs in central business districts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

67. Order 200267 (ID:12867)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Lafuente

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services investigate a business at 11 Wheatland Street and take appropriate action.

RESULT: APPROVED

68. Order 200268 (ID:12971)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services review the attached articles on rodent control in Canada and New Zealand and report back to this board if similar measure could be utilized here.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

69. Order 200269 (ID:12973)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board, whether the current rodent bait is a Warfarin product and if not, whether Warfarin might be more successful,

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

70. Order 200270 (ID:12974)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services conduct a follow-up meeting regarding the MacArthur Street rodent infestation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

71. Order 200271 (ID:12975)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the wrought iron fence at the

2975) East Branch Library.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

72. Resolution 200272 (ID:12972)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Administration consider issuing a second free trash can to any

household that needs it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

73. Order 200273 (ID:12899)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the crumbling sidewalk panels

on Dane Street along the bridge area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

74. Order 200274 (ID:12900)

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light directly in front of the Union Square Post Office as well as any other broken or failing street

lights in Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

75. Order 200275

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

200275 (ID:12901) That the Commissioner of Public Works install additional lighting in trees in

Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

76. Order 200276 (ID:12902)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the clock in the Argenziano

School cafeteria which has been broken for the last 5 years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

77. Order 200277

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the door to the Argenziano

(ID:12903) School cafeteria.

78. Order 200278 (ID:12904)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer provide information on the recent water and sewer problem in the Joseph Street and Adrian Street area and whether the problem is permanently resolved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

79. Order 200279 (ID:12905)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer contact the owners of the Ames Complex to identify and resolve flooding issues related to that property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Flood Forum Special Committee

80. Order 200280 (ID:12906) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, White Jr., Lafuente, Rossetti, Sullivan, Niedergang, McLaughlin, Connolly

That the Director of Traffic and Parking, the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Commissioner of Public Works collaborate address traffic issues on Washington Street from Union Square to the McGrath Highway, including unstable street plates, roadway depressions, orange traffic cones and other impediments.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. Order 200281 (ID:12964) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board how to petition for exemption from the new 2016 Snow Removal regulations, and post the process on the city's website well in advance of the 2016 winter season.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

82. Order 200282 (ID:12965) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility to address the low hanging wires on Hunting Street leading to South Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

83. Order 200283 (ID:12966) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at 379 Washington Street.

84. Order 200284 (ID:12967) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works paint the hydrant at 379 Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

85. Order 200285 (ID:12907) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded STOP sign at the corner of Ten Hills Road and Governor Winthrop Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

86. Order 200286 (ID:12909)

By Ald. White Jr.

Proposing an amendment to Rule 27 of this Board, to insure public access to documents submitted to this Board's committees.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

87. Resolution 200287 (ID:12908)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Traffic Commission create a way to apply for an exemption from the change in the parking ban that will require parking on the even side of the street during snow emergencies.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

88. Resolution 200288 (ID:12963)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

Supporting the passage of House #1656 and Senate #901 to create Housing Courts statewide.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

89. Resolution 200289 (ID:12962)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Administration review concerns raised by residents about LED street lights, and change course if the problems seen in other communities are imminent.

Alderman Gewirtz sponsored resident Louis Morales to speak about glare from certain LED lights. He also spoke about the limited cost to install LED colored lights. He said the Planning Department has not been responsive to his concern. Alderman Gewirtz expressed the importance of using LED lights of the proper color to improve the quality of life for residents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

90. Order 200290

(ID:12945)

By Ald. Gewirtz, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking add an additional stop sign on Meacham Road facing Buena Vista Road to clarify that Buena Vista Road drivers must stop before turning onto Meacham Road.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

91. Order 200291 (ID:12898) By Ald. McWatters, Lafuente, White Jr., Niedergang, Rossetti

That the Director of SPCD request of MA DOT that representatives attend a community meeting to discuss construction on the School Street, Medford Street and Ball Square bridges, and explain why residents on Medford Street had only 10 hours' notice of the parking ban there.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

92. Order 200292 (ID:12958) By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols of Berkeley Street for speeding vehicles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

93. Order 200293 (ID:12959) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 59 Boston Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

94. Order 200294 (ID:12960) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the one way sign at the corner of Columbus and Stone Avenues.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

95. Order 200295 (ID:12961) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a Stone Avenue sign on the corner of Columbus Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

96. Order 200296 By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:12953)

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 14-16 Curtis Avenue for compliance with the ordinance governing unrelated occupancy.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

97. Order 200297 (ID:12954) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief Fire Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 7 Alderman on fixing the fire box at 285 Alewife Brook Parkway.

**APPROVED** 

98. Order

200298 (ID:12955) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works explain why 12 foot high tree stumps remain after trees have been cut.

**RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** 

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

99. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

200299 (ID:12956) That the Director of SPCD, the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Sustainability and Environment consider the pros and cons of artificial turf and identify alternative designs for publicly accessible open

space.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

100. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

200300 (ID:12957) That the Director of SPCD and the Commissioner of Public Works advise this Board of the minimum ADA requirements for hard surfaces at publicly accessible open space.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

101. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

200301 (ID:13012) Acting as President, cancelling the Regular meeting of this Board that was scheduled for December 22, 2015.

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 102. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on October 28, 2015.

200302

(ID:12834)

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

B. Order By Ald. Niedergang

196214 (ID:8768)

That the Director of SPCD consider developing a plan and securing funding for infrastructure improvements along the full length of Murdock Street,

especially sidewalks and trees.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### 103. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

(ID:12832)

Report on October 26, 20 200303

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on October 26, 2015.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 104. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200304

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 29, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about hiring processes for certain department heads, adjusting the thresholds for written contracts, and whether paving contractors should register with the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution

By Ald. Rossetti

197297 (ID:9883)

(ID:12835)

That the Administration involve this Board's Committee on Youth Services in the search and selection of a new Recreation Superintendent.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. Lafuente

199721 (ID:12441) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Director of Engineering appear before the Legislative Matters Committee, at its next meeting, to discuss the failure of paving contractors to register with the city.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 200305

By Ald. McLaughlin

(ID:12843)

That the Director of Recreation and Youth and the Mayor's Aide appear at the next meeting of the Legislative Matters Committee to discuss the hiring for the position of Director of Recreation and Youth.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# 105. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200306 (ID:12943) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on November 19, 2015.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed the Plastic Bag Ordinance and the many discussions that have taken place, leading finally to the approval of the Ordinance.

B. Officer's Assistant C Communication Ordinance.

Assistant City Solicitor submitting a proposed Plastic Bag Reduction Ordinance

198251 (ID:10751)

This item was approved as amended by the Committee and replaced by #200352, submitted as Agenda #147. See that item for the final text of the adopted ordinance.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Public

Communication 198630 (ID:11187)

Clint Richmond submitting comments re: the plastic bag ban.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

D. Order 200307 (ID:13026)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor prepare and forward to the Board of Aldermen and the Recreation Commission, an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to allow for Board of Aldermen approval of new hires for the position of Director of Recreation and Youth.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

## 106. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200308 (ID:12833) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on October 27, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution

198702 (ID:11263) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the State Delegation secure the funding and achieve the installation of sound proof barriers along I-93, which would curb fine particle pollution.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Public

MA DOT responding to #198702 re: noise and pollution barriers along I-93.

Communication 199054 (ID:11639)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 199355

By Ald. Heuston

199355 (ID:11939) That the Administration institute a plan to notify and update affected residents during water main breaks, distribute bottled water to them, and check on their well-being.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution 199589 (ID:12190) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin

That the Department of Public Utilities investigate and take appropriate actions against electricity companies that use deceptive sales tactics.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 199639

By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan, McLaughlin

That the Director of Health and Human Services warn residents, especially senior citizens, about electricity companies that use deceptive sales practices.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Public Communication

(ID:12241)

MA DPU Chairman responding to #199589 re: addressing deceptive sales

Communication practices used by some electricity companies. 199793

(ID:12297)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 199949 (ID:12568) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols to monitor compliance with the STOP signs at Jacques Street and Edgar Avenue, and at Heath Street and Edgar Avenue.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

199968 (ID:12588) That the Commissioner of Public Works clean in front of the businesses along Broadway, and that the Supervisor of Inspectional Services reinforce the necessity of businesses to clean up in front of their properties.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199977 (ID:12599) That the Chief Fire Engineer inspect 34 Chetwynd Road and 146 Curtis Street for upholstered furniture kept on porches.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

199981 (ID:12603) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 134 Professors Row for an open trash dumpster with overflowing trash, and take appropriate action.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Order 200041 (ID:12669) By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police insure that whenever a sidewalk is closed due to construction – especially near a school -- that there be a clearly-marked crosswalk or a police detail, for pedestrian safety.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 200053

By Ald. Sullivan, Gewirtz, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police cite illegally

parked delivery trucks on Winter Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Order

By Ald. McWatters

200058 (ID:12688)

(ID:12681)

That Chief of Police order directed patrols to Somerville Avenue between Kirby Place and Hawkins Street during early evening hours and on weekends,

to deal with unruly citizens bothering pedestrians walking to Union Square.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order

By Ald. Heuston

200126 (ID:12738) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address this Board on dumpster inspections and provide a list of dumpster locations with their last inspection

dates.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Resolution

By Ald. Connolly

200309 (ID:12830) That the Administration arrange for Matrix Consulting to appear before this Board's Public Health and Safety Committee to report their findings on public

safety.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** 

Public Health and Public Safety Committee

# 107. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200310 (ID:12942) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on November 17, 2015

November 17, 2015.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 200311

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:13029)

That the Administration provide this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety the names of the Community Cabinet members mentioned at the

Committee meeting on 11/17/15.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

C. Resolution 200312

(ID:13030)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Administration provide this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety with a financial breakdown of funding relative to the matter of addiction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

# 108. CAUCUS OF THE 2016 BOARD OF ALDERMEN

A. Committee Report 200313

(ID:13015)

Report of the Caucus of the 2016 Board of Aldermen, meeting on November 24, 2015.

In a nonbinding vote, Alderman White was elected President of the Board for 2016, and Alderman Ballantyne was elected Vice President of the Board for 2016.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

109. Mayor's Request 200314 (ID:12952) Requesting the adoption of a 3-Year Snow and Ice Removal Deficit Amortization Schedule.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** 

Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

110. Mayor's Request 200315 (ID:12951) Requesting an appropriation of \$470,434 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Reserve for authorized snow and ice amortization account to fund the FY2016 portion of a deficit.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** 

Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

111. Mayor's Request 200316 (ID:12946) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,323,832 in Parking Meter Receipts to reduce the FY2016 Tax Levy.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

112. Mayor's Request 200317 (ID:12947) Requesting an appropriation of \$382,378 from the Overlay Surplus declared by the Board of Assessors to reduce the FY2016 Tax Levy.

113. Mayor's Request 200318 (ID:12948) Requesting to appropriate \$309,801 from excess FY2016 Community Preservation Act Fund revenue to the Community Preservation Act Fund Budgeted Reserve per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

114. Mayor's Request 200319 (ID:12916) Requesting an supplemental appropriation of \$60,000 for BAN Interest Budget Account to fully fund the account for FY16.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

115. Mayor's Request 200320 (ID:12910) Requesting to rescind \$24,970 of \$168,191 in CPA funds appropriated for the Somerville Museum to purchase a wheelchair lift per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

116. Mayor's Request 200321 (ID:12911) Requesting to appropriate \$24,970 in CPA funds for the Somerville Museum to use for the design, purchase, and installation of an elevator per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

117. Mayor's Request 200322 (ID:12949) Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$7,292 to the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund to eliminate a FY2015 revenue deficit.

RESULT: APPROVED

118. Mayor's Request 200323 (ID:12827) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$885,000 in a bond to pay final design costs for the West Branch Library Renovation Project.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 118 through 134 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

119. Mayor's Request 200324 (ID:12826) Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

120. Mayor's Requesting approval to pay FY15 invoices from FY16 appropriations totaling Request \$9,396.15 in the Department of Public Works. 200325 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:12828) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 121. Mayor's Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$1,098.45 in the City Request Clerk's Office from Invoice Cloud, for online payment processing. 200326 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:12950) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 122. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$29,179 from the US Department of Request Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's 200327 Continuum of Care planning efforts. (ID:13016) REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 123. Requesting approval of a \$26,500 grant from the MA Department of Mayor's Request Environmental Protection for the Public Works Department's Recycling 200328 Dividends Program. (ID:12809) RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 124. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$25,964 from the US Department of Request Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's 200329 Continuum of Care planning efforts. (ID:13017) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee 125. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,000 grant from the MA Public Safety and Request Security Highway Safety Division for the Police's Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket Mobilization Program. 200330 (ID:12822) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 126. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$10,000 from the MA Historical Request Commission for historical planning and survey work in Union Square. 200331 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Finance Committee

(ID:12825)

**FOLLOWUP:** 

Requesting acceptance of a \$9,990 grant from the MA Office of Public Safety 127. Mayor's Request and Security for Police Department underage alcohol enforcement. 200332 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:12819) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 128. Mayor's Requesting acceptance of a \$7,357 grant from the Metro North Regional Employment Board for the Health and Human Service Youth Works Program. Request 200333 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:12815) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 129. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,082 from Somerville Cambridge Request Elder Services for the Council on Aging for health and wellness programs. 200334 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:12803) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 130. Mayor's Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$5,102 From The MA Office of Public Safety and Security for the Police Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Enforcement Request 200335 initiative. (ID:12824) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$4,828 from Somerville Cambridge 131. Mayor's Request Elder Services for the Council on Aging for transportation services. 200336 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:12802) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 132. Mayor's Requesting acceptance of a grant of \$2,000 from the MA Office of Public Request Safety and Security to the Police Department for child passenger safety 200337 equipment. (ID:12823) REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT: FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 133. Mayor's Requesting approval to extend a contract with Zip Car through December 31, Request 2017. 200338 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:12647) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 134. Mayor's Requesting approval to extend a House Doctor contract with CDR Maguire to complete the closeout of two city construction projects. Request 200339 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:12821) **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

135. Mayor's Request 200340 (ID:12870) Requesting approval of an updated amendment to Zoning Ordinance 7.15 Re: Medical Marijuana Treatment Facilities.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 135 and refer it to the Planning Board and Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

136. Mayor's Request 200341 (ID:12844) Requesting the appointment of Officer Michael Capasso to the position of Police Sergeant.

Alderman Heuston gave a presentation of Officer Michael Capasso's background and experience.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

137. Mayor's Request 200342 (ID:12845) Requesting the appointment of Officer Kevin Shackleford to the position of Police Sergeant.

Alderman Heuston gave a presentation of Officer Kevin Shackleford's background and experience.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

138. Mayor's Request 200343 (ID:13006) Requesting the appointment of Cassandra Fradera to the Commission for Women.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 138 through 141 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments Committee

139. Mayor's Request 200344 (ID:13009) Requesting the appointment of Kristen Strezo to the Commission for Women.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

140. Mayor's Request 200345 (ID:13011) Requesting the appointment of Victor Nascimento to the Human Rights Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

141. Mayor's Request 200346 (ID:13013) Requesting the appointment of Sam Tracy to the Human Rights Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

142. Officer's Request 200347 (ID:13014) City Solicitor requesting that this Board meet in Executive Session to discuss Police and Fire collective bargaining issues.

The Board convened in Executive Session to discuss items 142, 143, and 144. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

143. Officer's Request 200348 (ID:13005) City Solicitor requesting that this Board meet In Executive Session to discuss pending litigation in Mondol v Somerville.

The Board convened in Executive Session to discuss items 142, 143, and 144. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McWatters

144. Officer's Request 200349 (ID:13007) City Solicitor requesting that this Board meet in Executive Session to discuss pending litigation in Pishev v Somerville.

The Board convened in Executive Session to discuss items 142, 143, and 144. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McWatters

145. Officer's Request 200350 (ID:13010) City Solicitor requesting approval to hire outside legal counsel for Mondol v Somerville.

Alderman Rossetti and Alderman McWatters recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

146. Officer's Request 200351 (ID:13008) City Solicitor requesting approval to hire outside legal counsel for Pishev v Somerville.

Alderman Rossetti and Alderman McWatters recused.

The Board expressed their concern with the cost of this firm. Mayor Curtatone commented that with litigation cases, the City wants the best Attorneys on the case, and explained the years of experience that this firm has on this subject in Somerville. The Board discussed sharing the costs with all stakeholders in Union Square, and Mayor Curtatone said this was a possibility.

147. Officer's Request 200352 (ID:13018)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting an updated Plastic Bag Ordinance as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 11/19/15.

For discussion see #198251.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, **AYES:** 

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,

Ballantyne

148. Officer's Communication

City Assessor responding to #200196 re: residential exemption data.

200353 (ID:12817)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 148 through 150, with item 148 referred to the Finance Committee, and 149 and 150 to be placed on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

149. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/22/15.

Communication 200354 (ID:12912)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Traffic and Parking Committee

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

150. Officer's Communication 10/8/15.

Traffic and Parking Director responding to various Board Orders submitted

200355 (ID:12818)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

151. 200356

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Grooversity Concert, Davis Sq Statue Park, Nov 1 and 21. Noon-2PM.

(ID:12878)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 151 through 203, with items 165, 202 and 203 referred to the License and Permits Committee, and the rest approved. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

152. License/Permit 200357

Public Event Permit, Light Up Assembly Row, Assembly Row area, Nov 28, Noon-8PM (raindate Nov 29).

(ID:13021)

153.	License/Permit 200358 (ID:13022)	Public Event Permit, Team Better Block-Winter Hill Better Block, 328 Broadway, Dec 12-13, Noon-10PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
200	200359	Public Event Perm 10:30PM (raindate	nit, Arts Council Illuminations Tour, Citywide, Dec 19, 3:30-20.	
	(ID:12879)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
	License/Permit 200360 (ID:12880)	Public Event Perm 20, 5AM-4PM.	it, BA Events Jingle Bell 5K Road Race, Davis Sq area, Dec	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
20036	License/Permit 200361	Public Event Permit, Dysautonomia International 5K Road Race, Mystic River area, May 7, 7AM-1PM.		
	(ID:12881)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
157.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer's License, JRF Corp.		
	200362 (ID:12884)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
158.		Renewing Drainlayer's License, Jason Anthony Corp.		
	200363 (ID:12885)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
159.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Insite Contracting.	
	200364 (ID:12976)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
160.		Renewing Flamma	ables License, Good Gas, 343 Medford St.	
	200365 (ID:12977)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
200366	200366	Renewing Used Co McGrath Hwy.	ar Dealers License Class 1, Smart Center Boston, 257	
	(ID:12989)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
162. License/Permi 200367 (ID:12990)		Renewing Used Co McGrath Hwy.	ar Dealers License Class 1, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 259	
	(ID:12990)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
163.	License/Permit 200368 (ID:12991)	Renewing Used Ca Mystic Ave.	ar Dealers License Class 2, Hillside Service Center, 45	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

20		Renewing Used Car	Dealers License Class 2, Liens Auto Repair, 69 Bow St.
	200369 (ID:12992)	RESULT:	APPROVED
200370	License/Permit	Renewing Used Car	Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St.
	200370 (ID:12993)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee
166.	200371	Renewing Used Car Boston Ave.	Dealers License Class 2, Simon's Auto Service, 166
	(ID:12994)	RESULT:	APPROVED
167.		Renewing Used Car	Dealers License Class 2, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq.
	200372 (ID:12995)	RESULT:	APPROVED
168.	License/Permit 200373 (ID:12996)	Renewing Used Car St.	Dealers License Class 2, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect
		RESULT:	APPROVED
169.	License/Permit 200374 (ID:12997)	Renewing Used Car	Dealers License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway.  APPROVED
170.	170. License/Permit 200375	Renewing Used Car St.	Dealers License Class 2, Top Gear Motor Group, 24 Joy
	(ID:12998)	RESULT:	APPROVED
171.		Renewing Used Car	Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.
	200376 (ID:12999)	RESULT:	APPROVED
	License/Permit 200377 (ID:13000)	Renewing Used Car Broadway.	Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Auto Sales, 525
		RESULT:	APPROVED
173.	License/Permit 200378 (ID:13001)	Renewing Used Car Broadway.	Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Sunoco, 258
		RESULT:	APPROVED
174.	License/Permit 200379 (ID:12886)	Renewing Used Car RESULT:	Dealers License Class 2, Union Gulf, 231 Washington St.  APPROVED

175.	License/Permit 200380 (ID:12887)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Barnes and Walsh, 224 Somerville Ave.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
176.	License/Permit 200381 (ID:12888)	Renewing Used Ca Hwy.	r Dealers License Class 2, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
2003	200382	Renewing Used Ca 325 Alewife Brook	r Dealers License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales, Pkwy.	
	(ID:12889)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
178.		Renewing Used Ca	r Dealers License Class 2, United Motors, 188 Broadway.	
	200383 (ID:12890)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
179.	License/Permit 200384 (ID:12891)	Renewing Used Ca Somerville Ave.	r Dealers License Class 2, John's Auto Sales, 181	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
180.	License/Permit 200385 (ID:12892)	Renewing Used Ca	r Dealers License Class 2, DM Auto Body, 48 Joy St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
	200386	Renewing Used Ca Washington St.	r Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 182	
	(ID:12893)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
182.	License/Permit 200387 (ID:12894)	Renewing Used Ca Hwy.	r Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 308 McGrath	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
183.	License/Permit 200388		r Dealers License Class 2, Teele Sq Auto, 1284 Broadway.	
	(ID:13004)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
184.	License/Permit 200389 (ID:12895)	Renewing Used Ca Columbia St.	r Dealers License Class 3, Ed's Used Auto Parts, 516	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

185.	200390	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.		
	(ID:12896)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
,	License/Permit 200391	Renewing Used Car Windsor St.	Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 0	
	(ID:12897)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
187.	200392		eating License, Five Horses, 400 Highland Ave.  APPROVED	
	(ID:12978)	RESCET:	HIROVED	
	License/Permit 200393	Renewing Outdoor S Assembly Row.	eating License, Tony C's Sports Bar and Grill, 699	
	(ID:12979)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
189.	License/Permit 200394	Renewing Outdoor S	eating License, Soundbites, 704 Broadway.	
	(ID:12980)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
190.	License/Permit 200395		eating License, Pizzeria Posto, 187 Elm St.	
	(ID:12981)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
191.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor S	eating License, Diesel Cafe, 257 Elm St.	
2	200396 (ID:12982)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
192. License/Po 200397	200397	Renewing Outdoor S Ave.	eating License, Forge Baking Company, 626 Somerville	
	(ID:12983)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
102	Linanaa/Damait	Danamina Outdoor S	acting License El Datus Marrison Cvill (1 Union Co	
193.	200398 (ID:12984)		eating License, El Potro Mexican Grill, 61 Union Sq.  APPROVED	
	License/Permit 200399 (ID:12985)	Renewing Outdoor S	eating License, True Grounds, 717 Broadway.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
195.		Renewing Outdoor S	eating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St.	
	200400 (ID:12986)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

196. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dave's Fresh Pasta, 79 Holland St. 200401 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12987) License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dali Restaurant, 415 Washington St. 200402 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12988) 198. License/Permit Transferring Flammables License, Somerville Gas and Service, 57 Warren St. 200403 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13019) 199. License/Permit Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion 66, Somerville Taxi Inc., sold 200404 by Mildred Teixeira and bought by William Doucette. (ID:13020) **RESULT: APPROVED** 200. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Schnaider and Eyosiyas Barber Shop, 507 Medford St, 200405 one awning. (ID:12882) **RESULT: APPROVED** 201. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Multiple storefronts owned by Jose Miguel Rodriguez, 200406 83-91 Broadway, 7 signs and awnings. (ID:12883) **RESULT:** APPROVED 202. License/Permit Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway, 200407 increasing cars outside to 6, adding hours Sun 10AM-4PM. (ID:13003) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 203. License/Permit New Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Webster Auto Sales, 61 Prospect St., 0 200408 cars in, 22 out, Mon-Fri 9AM-7PM, Sat 9AM-3PM. (ID:13002) RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

204. Order By Ald. Sullivan

200409 (ID:13023) That the Chief of Police conduct dedicated traffic enforcement at the intersection of Myrtle and Washington Streets during the evening rush hours.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 204 through 210 and refer them to the appropriate committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

205. Order 200410 By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz

(ID:13024)

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the service contractor to repair the street lamps on Winslow Avenue (Pole #37/3) and in the Grove Street parking lot behind Rite-Aid.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

206. Order 200411 By Ald. White Jr., Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD appear before the Committee on Housing and Community Development to apprise this Board of the proposed development (ID:13027)

at Boynton Yards by DLJ Capital Partners.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

207. Mayor's Request 200412

(ID:13025)

Requesting an appropriation of \$27,362 in Parking Meter Receipts to the

School Department to establish a FIRST Robotics Team.

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

208. Mayor's Request 200413 (ID:13028)

Requesting acceptance of the fee interest in Parcel 34B, including portions of Great River Road, Assembly Row, Canal Street, and Foley Street, and all of Artisan Way.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

209. **Public** 

MA Office of Consumer Affairs submitting Lemon Law Sticker Audit results Communication for CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St.

200414 (ID:13031)

**RESULT:** 

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

210. Public

MA Office of Consumer Affairs submitting Lemon Law Sticker Audit results Communication for American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave.

200415 (ID:13032)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

### **LATE ITEMS**

211. 200009

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy, Operating 24/7.

(ID:12612)

By uncontested voice vote, the Board Suspended its Rules for the purposes of bringing this item back before the Board for Reconsideration. Alderman Sullivan, Chair of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, reported that attorneys for Speedway told him they had missed the October 21 public hearing due to miscommunication. Speedway Attorney Adam Dash was sponsored to speak, and requested another public hearing before the Committee. The Board approved Alderman Sullivan's motion for Reconsideration, and then referred the item to the Committee, which will consider it at a December 2 public hearing.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

212. Order 198088 (ID:10646) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate and report back on installing solar powered kiosks in our parks and playgrounds to communicate youth and family activities in our city.

Discharged from the Committee on Housing and Community Development pursuant to #198088.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

213. Mayor's Request 200416 (ID:13033) Requesting approval to extend a contract with Joel Russell Associates to December 31, 2016 for on call consulting for the zoning overhaul.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

214. Mayor's Request 200417 (ID:13034) Requesting approval to extend a contract with Clarion Associates to December 31, 2016 for on call consulting for the zoning Overhaul.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 12:10 AM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Absent
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 200418 (ID:13070) Call of the Roll.

The Board held a moment of silence for Eugene Binari. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Roy Milliken, Renato Cabral and Kostas Kargatzis. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Lenore Hill and Anne Hazell. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Edward Delzanero.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 200419 (ID:13071)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 22, 2015.

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 200420 (ID:13075)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Michael McGlynn, Mayor of Medford and Dean of MA Mayors, who is retiring after 28 years of dedicated public service.

Alderman Connolly and Alderman Rossetti spoke about Mayor McGlynn's contributions over his 28 years of service.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

4. Citation 200421 (ID:13076)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Barbara Rubel, recently awarded the John Fitzgerald Lifetime Achievement Award by the Chamber of Commerce, for her many contributions to the City, both personally and professionally as Tufts' Director of Community Relations.

Alderman Connolly discussed Barbara Rubel's dedication to the City over 42 years. Ms. Rubel spoke about the work completed at Tufts over the years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Citation 200422 (ID:13079)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Teen Empowerment, which has worked tirelessly for more than a decade to improve the lives of Somerville's young people.

Alderman Connolly recognized the Teen Empowerment leaders and their accomplishments working closely with the City. Founder Stan Pollack thanked the Board for its support in achieving these accomplishments.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Citation 200423 (ID:13068)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman Rebekah L. Gewirtz for her outstanding service to the people of Ward Six and the entire City as Alderman, from 2006 to 2015.

President White recognized Alderman Gewirtz for her work in the City. She thanked the Board, Mayor, staff and Clerks for their support, and spoke about some of the key items that have been accomplished through the years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Citation 200424 (ID:13067)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Alderman William A. White, Jr., for his distinguished service as President of this Board in 2015.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Citation 200425 (ID:13069)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Alderman Katjana Ballantyne for her distinguished service as Vice President of this Board in 2015.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9. Grant of Location 200426 (ID:13080)

Submitted by Eversource (NStar Electric) to install 93 feet of conduit in Somerville Avenue from Manhole #8639 to private property at 508-510 Somerville Avenue.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with NStar Electric discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

10. Grant of Location 200427 (ID:13081) Submitted by Verizon to install 6 feet of conduit in Properzi Way from Pole T12 to private property at 100 Properzi Way.

The President opened the public hearing. Kelly Krea with Verizon discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Heuston questioned if trenches will be needed, and Ms. Krea replied the work was already completed. Alderman Heuston expressed her concern about items being completed before they are presented to the Board. (See #200498.)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Grant of Location 200428 (ID:13082) Submitted by Envirotrac for Speedway LLC, to advance 3 soil borings in the sidewalk at 24 and 26-28 Kensington Avenue, and install monitoring wells in 2 of those borings.

The President opened the public hearing. Patrick Korkrin with Speedway discussed details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. President White questioned previous leakages from tanks, and Patrick Korkin confirmed that there were leakages that were addressed. These borings would take 1 day to complete, with the testing taking around 3 months.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

12. Public Communication 200177 (ID:12794)

Public 195 registered voters submitting a petition for a public hearing on economic Communication inequality, pursuant to Section 8 of the City Charter.

Rand Wilson thanked the Board for holding the public hearing. The petition was created to stress the inequality of real incomes between the rich and the median population. The US is last when compared to other countries in terms of income inequality. This is a serious problem, and Somerville must support new policies to address it. He requested that the Board support four initiatives at the State House, for paid family and medical leave, additional taxes on income over a million dollars, a living wage of \$15/hour for fast food employees, and elimination of the sub-minimum wage for tipped workers.

Many speakers addressed these topics, including the impacts on public education, Somerville's working poor, families with newborn children, immigrants, potential homeowners, the environment, and persons with disabilities. President White then closed the Public Hearing.

At the conclusion of the Public Hearing, The Board Approved Resolution #200494 supporting the enactment of four initiatives at the State House:

- Paid family and medical leave,
- An additional tax of 4% on annual income above one million dollars,
- A living wage of \$15/hour for employees of big box retail and fast food companies, and
- Elimination of the sub-minimum wage for tipped workers.

The State Delegation was then was then sponsored to address the Board on these issues. Senator Jehlen described the next steps. Representative Provost said changing the status quo is a struggle, and residents are forced to leave because of the cost of living. Representative Barber thanked the public for their support on this topic and said it helped show the need to move forward on these issues.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

13. Resolution 200429 (ID:13048)

By Ald. Gewirtz

Thanking the residents of Ward 6 for the privilege of serving as their Alderman for the past 10 years.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Resolution 200430 (ID:13049)

By Ald. Gewirtz

Thanking city officials and staff for their support, commitment to service, and wisdom during her tenure on this Board.

15. Order 200431 (ID:13040)

By Ald. McLaughlin, White Jr., Ballantyne, Lafuente

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services appear before the Committee on Public Health and Safety to describe inspections for new residential units and whether they protect buyers from shoddy construction and poor soundproofing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. Order 200432 (ID:13041)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works adjust the traffic lights on McGrath Highway and Washington Street by Cobble Hill, to ensure seniors can cross the street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 200433

(ID:13042)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NOT A THROUGH STREET sign at the entrance to Cobble Hill to prevent cut through traffic.

RESULT: APPROVED

18. Order 200434 (ID:13043)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD place Wesley Street on the paved streets list.

RESULT: APPROVED

19. Order 200435 (ID:13044)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works place plowed snow on the non-permit parking side of Dana Street to ensure residents have parking.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

20. Order 200436 (ID:13045) By Ald. McLaughlin, Lafuente, McWatters

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Gilman Square building and when traffic issues will be alleviated there.

The Board expressed their concern with the delays in completing this work.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

21. Order 200437 (ID:13046) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Florence Street sign by Symphony Park.

22. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

200438 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address rodent problems on

(ID:13047) Wigglesworth Street, Cross Street Place, and Everett Avenue.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

23. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti

> That the Mayor's Aide and/or the Director of Sustainability and the 200439

(ID:13066) Environment update this Board on addressing the litter from Globe Direct

circulars.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

24. Order By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

> 200440 That the Director of Constituent Services appear before this Board's

(ID:13057) Committee on Public Utilities and Works with a written report on streetlamp

repairs citywide.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee FOLLOWUP:

25. Order By Ald. Niedergang

200441

That the Director of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on

(ID:13062) the delay in the curbside composting pilot program.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

> > **FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

26. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 200442 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the raised sidewalk at 86-88

(ID:13061) Rogers Avenue.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

27. By Ald. Niedergang Order

> That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light on Charles E. 200443

(ID:13063) Ryan Road behind 13 Roberts Street.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

28. By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. Order

200444 That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce traffic regulations at the

corner of Wigglesworth and Otis Streets. (ID:13064)

29. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

200445 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light in front of 31 (ID:13065) Bailey Road.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

30. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

> 200217 Reporting on the November 4, 2015 meeting of the High School Building

(ID:12839) Committee.

> Alderman Rossetti reported the Committee was very active with giving tours, and she gave an update on the plans for a new High School.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

31. Order By Ald. White Jr.

> 200286 Proposing an amendment to Rule 27 of this Board, to insure public access to

documents submitted to this Board's committees. (ID:12909)

> **APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] RESULT:**

Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, **AYES:** 

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

Sullivan **ABSENT:** 

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 32. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee

Report 200446 (ID:13052) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on December 1, 2015.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about fields and open space, and the concern about LED lighting in those areas.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 198353 (ID:10931)

That the Commissioner of Public Works meet with this Board's Committee on Energy and Environment to discuss the use of salt and salt substitutes during

the winter.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 199696 (ID:12405)

That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 Alderman on plans for renovating Central Hill Park.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

# 33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on December 2, 2015.

Report 200447 (ID:13054)

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Public CPC-T Holdings LLC requesting that this Board discontinue Cross Street East Communication from Pennsylvania Avenue to Mystic Avenue.

198905 (ID:11480)

(ID:12168)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Mayor's Request 199606 Requesting the acceptance of an Easement and Easement Releases over a former portion of Cross Street East.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

D. Mayor's Request 199922 (ID:12239) Requesting approval to pay an FY12 invoice of \$45,000 in the DPW using FY16 appropriations.

RESULT: APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 200076 (ID:12359) Requesting approval to pay FY15 invoices from FY16 appropriations totaling \$53,666.71 in the Department of Public Works.

RESULT: APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 200077 (ID:12650) Requesting the payment of an FY15 collection invoice totalling \$10,602.40 with FY16 funds in the Traffic and Parking Department.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 200164 (ID:12756) Requesting approval to transfer \$11,000 in the Health and Human Services Department, from its Personal Services Account to its Professional and Technical Services Account, to pay for summer school contracted nursing services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 200165 (ID:12741) Requesting approval to pay an FY15 Dell Marketing invoice of \$81,312.50 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for Exchange online licensing.

I. Mayor's Request 200166 (ID:12742) Requesting approval pay an FY15 invoice totaling \$4,995 from the Information Technology Department's FY16 budget, for the Recreation Department's online registration system.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

J. Mayor's Request 200167 (ID:12753) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$1,613.03 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for the leasing of eight printers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 200168 (ID:12748) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$225.79 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 200169 (ID:12752) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$183.52 in the Information Technology Department using FY16 funds, for a copy machine rental.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 200170 (ID:12740) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$ \$4,048.60 from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council for the Shape Up Somerville Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 200188 (ID:12751) Requesting approval pay a FY15 invoice of \$221.19 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, for a leased copier.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 200189 (ID:12749) Requesting approval to pay a FY15 invoice of \$215.70 using FY16 Information Technology Department funds, to pay for a copier lease.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

P. Mayor's Request 200320 (ID:12910) Requesting to rescind \$24,970 of \$168,191 in CPA funds appropriated for the Somerville Museum to purchase a wheelchair lift per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

Ald. White recused.

RESULT: APPROVED

Q. Mayor's Request 200323 (ID:12827) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$885,000 in a bond to pay final design costs for the West Branch Library Renovation Project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

R. Mayor's Request 200324 (ID:12826) Requesting an appropriation of \$142,036 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 police vehicles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Sullivan

S. Mayor's Request 200326 (ID:12950) Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$1,098.45 in the City Clerk's Office from Invoice Cloud, for online payment processing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

T. Mayor's Request 200327 (ID:13016) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$29,179 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's Continuum of Care planning efforts.

RESULT: APPROVED

U. Mayor's Request 200328 (ID:12809) Requesting approval of a \$26,500 grant from the MA Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Department's Recycling Dividends Program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

V. Mayor's Request 200329 (ID:13017) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$25,964 from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to support the Housing Division's Continuum of Care planning efforts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

W. Mayor's Request 200330 (ID:12822) Requesting the acceptance of a \$12,000 grant from the MA Public Safety and Security Highway Safety Division for the Police's Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket Mobilization Program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

X. Mayor's Request 200331 (ID:12825) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$10,000 from the MA Historical Commission for historical planning and survey work in Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Y. Mayor's Request 200332 (ID:12819) Requesting acceptance of a \$9,990 grant from the MA Office of Public Safety and Security for Police Department underage alcohol enforcement.

Z.	Mayor's Request 200333 (ID:12815)	Requesting acceptance of a \$7,357 grant from the Metro North Regional Employment Board for the Health and Human Service Youth Works Program.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AA.	Mayor's Request 200334 (ID:12803)		ecceptance of a grant of \$6,082 from Somerville Cambridge r the Council on Aging for health and wellness programs.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AB.	Mayor's Request 200335 (ID:12824)	1 0	ecceptance of a grant of \$5,102 From The MA Office of Public ity for the Police Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Enforcement	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AC.	Mayor's Request 200336 (ID:12802)		ecceptance of a grant of \$4,828 from Somerville Cambridge r the Council on Aging for transportation services.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AD.	Mayor's Request 200337	1 0 1	stance of a grant of \$2,000 from the MA Office of Public ity to the Police Department for child passenger safety	
	(ID:12823)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
AE.	Mayor's Request 200338 (ID:12647)	Requesting approach 2017.	eval to extend a contract with Zip Car through December 31,	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AF.	Mayor's Request 200339 (ID:12821)		eval to extend a House Doctor contract with CDR Maguire to deout of two city construction projects.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
AG.	Mayor's Request 200412 (ID:13025)	1 0 1	propriation of \$27,362 in Parking Meter Receipts to the nt to establish a FIRST Robotics Team.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
АН.	Mayor's Request 200416 (ID:13033)	1 0 11	oval to extend a contract with Joel Russell Associates to 16 for on call consulting for the zoning overhaul.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

AI. Mayor's Request 200417 (ID:13034) Requesting approval to extend a contract with Clarion Associates to December 31, 2016 for on call consulting for the zoning Overhaul.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 34. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200448 (ID:13050) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on November 30, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Open space requirements were presented at the meeting, along with plans for the Zoning Ordinance overhaul.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 35. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200449 (ID:13051) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on December 9, 2015.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He gave an update on the Medical Marijuana Zoning Ordinance and an Inclusionary Housing Zoning Ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 36. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

Report 200450

Committee

(ID:13055)

(ID:10181)

A.

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on December 3, 2015.

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Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order 197626

By Ald. Gewirtz, Ballantyne

That the City Solicitor appear before this Board's Committee on Confirmation of Appointments to discuss the hiring of a Director of Recreation and Youth.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Mayor's Request 198414 (ID:10991) Requesting approval of an Administrative Code pursuant to the City Charter.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

D. Mayor's Request 199553 (ID:11685) Requesting revisions to the City Charter and Ordinances to adjust the threshold for written contracts to align with MA General Law.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

E. Mayor's Request 199726 (ID:12199) Requesting amendments to Ordinance 2-369 to align the threshold for written contracts with MA General Law.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

F. Mayor's Request 199727 (ID:12200) Requesting an amendment to the City Charter to align with a related proposed revision to the City Ordinances and with MA General Law regarding written contracts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

G. Order 200305 (ID:12843) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Recreation and Youth and the Mayor's Aide appear at the next meeting of the Legislative Matters Committee to discuss the hiring for the position of Director of Recreation and Youth.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 200307 (ID:13026) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor prepare and forward to the Board of Aldermen and the Recreation Commission, an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to allow for Board of Aldermen approval of new hires for the position of Director of

Recreation and Youth.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# 37. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 200451 (ID:13053) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on December 2, 2015.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. License/Permit

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 381 Washington St.

199223 (ID:11715)

RESULT: APPROVED

C. License/Permit

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 387 Washington St.

199224 (ID:11716)

D. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Dewire Family Trust, 147 Beacon St. 199225 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:11717) E. License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy, 200009 Operating 24/7. (ID:12612) **RESULT:** WITHDRAWN F. License/Permit New Garage License, Sullivan Tire, 263 Beacon St, mechanical repairs, 6 200175 autos inside, 4 outside, M-F 7AM-7PM, Sa 7AM-5:30PM, Su Closed. (ID:12792) **RESULT: APPROVED** G. License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St. 200370 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:12993) H. License/Permit Amending Used Car Dealers License Class 2, PJ's Motorcars, 161 Broadway, 200407 increasing cars outside to 6, adding hours Sun 10AM-4PM. (ID:13003) **RESULT:** WITHDRAWN I. **Public** MA Office of Consumer Affairs submitting Lemon Law Sticker Audit results Communication for CM Auto Sales, 30 Joy St. 200414 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:13031) J. Order By Ald. Heuston 200452 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 61 Prospect Street to (ID:13119) determine the proper number of vehicles for the lot. **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee K. Order By Ald. Connolly 200453 That the Director of Traffic and Parking report any violations pertaining to the business at 61 Prospect Street to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. (ID:13120) **RESULT: APPROVED** Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** L. Order By Ald. Heuston 200454 That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services ascertain the appropriate number (ID:13121) of vehicles to be stored on the lot at 161 Broadway so as not to impair public safety. **RESULT: APPROVED FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

38. Mayor's Request 200455 (ID:13059) Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund the hire of previously approved outside legal counsel.

The City Solicitor explained the need for this appropriation.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 200456 (ID:13039)

Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$82,574 from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development, for the Advanced Manufacturing Training Program.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

40. Officer's Request 200457 (ID:13074) City Solicitor submitting an amendment to Ordinance 2-247 regarding the appointment of the Recreation and Youth Director, as approved by the Legislative Matters Committee on 12/3/15.

See #197626 for discussion of this item.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

Sullivan ABSENT:

41. Officer's Request 200458 (ID:13072) City Solicitor requesting approval to hire outside legal counsel for Haynes v Somerville.

The City Solicitor discussed the staffing issues that make outside counsel advantageous.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### NEW BUSINESS

42. 200459

License/Permit Public Event Permit, MOM's 5K Run for Cancer, Davis Sq area, May 8, 7AM-2PM.

(ID:13083)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 42 through 61 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

43. 200460

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.

(ID:13084)

44.	License/Permit 200461 (ID:13085)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Executive Auto Leasing and Sales, 30 Medford St.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
45.	License/Permit 200462 (ID:13086)	Renewing Used C	Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
46.	License/Permit 200463 (ID:13087)	Renewing Used C Bailey Rd.	Car Dealers License Class 2, Motorcycles and More, 109	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
47.	200464	Renewing Used C Columbia St.	Car Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 517	
	(ID:13088)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
48.	200465	Renewing Used C Columbia St.	Car Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 512	
	(ID:13089)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
49.	License/Permit 200466	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Burren, 247 Elm St.  RESULT: APPROVED		
	(ID:13090)	RESCET.	MIROVED	
50.	License/Permit 200467		or Seating License, East End Grille, 118 Broadway.	
	(ID:13091)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
51.	License/Permit 200468 (ID:13092)	Renewing Outdoo	or Seating License, PJ Ryans, 239 Holland St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	License/Permit 200469 (ID:13093)	Renewing Outdoo	or Seating License, Taipei Tokyo, 7 Holland St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
53.	License/Permit 200470 (ID:13094)	Renewing Outdoo	or Seating License, Tapatio Mexican Grill, 82 Broadway.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
54.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoo	or Seating License, Taco Loco, 44 Broadway.	
	200471 (ID:13095)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

55. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Joshua Tree, 256 Elm St. 200472 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13096) 56. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Independent, 75 Union Sq. 200473 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13097) 57. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Brass Union, 66 Union Sq. 200474 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13098) 58. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, M Korson and Company, 91 Washington St. 200475 **APPROVED RESULT:** (ID:13099) 59. License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 200476 Somerville Ave. (ID:13100) **RESULT: APPROVED** 60. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, 393 Highland Ave, 1 sign, 1 projecting sign. 200477 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13101) 61. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Esquina's Lanches, 508 Medford St. 200478 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:13102)

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

62. Resolution 200479 (ID:13108)

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the MassPort Community Advisory Committee seek to address Logan Airport noise, pollution, and traffic issues by sponsoring a regional citizens' forum, an online runway database, and federal research.

Wig Zagmore updated the Board on noise complaints around Logan Airport. He discussed plans of the Community Advisory Committee to help resolve this problem. President White explained the process the planes will use to coordinate and utilize the runways. The number of complaints from numerous communities has increased.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

63. Order 200480 (ID:13077)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works evaluate the tree at 23 Irvington Road, and if dead, remove it.

64. Order 200481 (ID:13078)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Finance report all expenditures for Union Square since the passage of the Union Square Redevelopment Plan, identifying those excluded and included in the Memorandum of Understanding with the Master Developer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

65. Mayor's Request 200482 (ID:13115) Requesting the appointment of Mary Battinelli as Constable.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 65 through 72, approve items 65 through 69, and send items 70 through 72 to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

66. Mayor's Request 200483 (ID:13114) Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli II as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

67. Mayor's Request 200484 (ID:13113)

Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

68. Mayor's Request 200485 (ID:13111) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

69. Mayor's Request 200486 (ID:13112) Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

70. Mayor's Request 200487 (ID:13056) Requesting the re-appointment of Mark Howland to the Library Board of Trustees.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments Committee

71. Mayor's Request 200488 (ID:13104) Requesting the re-appointment of Katherine Van Sleet to the Library Board of Trustees.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

72. Mayor's Request 200489 (ID:13105) Requesting the reappointment of Akil Williams to the Library Board of Trustees.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments Committee

73. Officer's Request 200490 (ID:13110) Retirement Board requesting approval to increase the cost of living adjustment maximum base amount for eligible retirees to \$13,000.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

74. Officer's Commiss Communication 10/8/15. 200491 (ID:12812) Aldern

Commissioner of Public Works responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/8/15.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 74 and 75, and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Flood Forum Special Committee

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

75. Officer's Traffic and Parking Communication submitted 10/22/15.

(ID:13038)

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 10/22/15

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

Traffic and Parking Committee

### LATE ITEMS

(ID:13107)

76. Citation 200493

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Omar Boukili, for more than five years of dedicated service to this Board, this Mayor, and this City, as the Mayor's Aide and liaison to the

Board.

Omar Boukili thanked the Aldermen for their support over the last 5 years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

77. Resolution 200494 (ID:13125)

By Ald. Gewirtz, and the Entire Board

That this Board urges the enactment of four initiatives by the State Legislature, to reduce economic inequality in the Commonwealth.

Submitted as a late item at the conclusion of the public hearing on income inequality (#200177).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

78. Mayor's Request 199604 (ID:12166) Requesting approval to discontinue the portion of Cross Street East between Pennsylvania and Mystic Avenues.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

79. Mayor's Request 199605 (ID:12167) Requesting the partial release of the Open Space Covenant affecting property on Cross Street East.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Sullivan

80. Mayor's Request 200321 (ID:12911) Requesting to appropriate \$24,970 in CPA funds for the Somerville Museum to use for the design, purchase, and installation of an elevator per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance. Alderman White recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. Order 200495 (ID:13122) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Chief of Police assign a crossing guard at Franklin and Perkins Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

82. Order 200496

(ID:13123)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at Arlington and Franklin Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

83. Order 200498 (ID:13126)

By Ald. Heuston, Lafuente, White Jr.

That the City Clerk note on future Board agendas whenever proposed Grants of Location have been given interim approval as emergency orders.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

84. Order 200497 (ID:13124)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the bus sign at Pearl and Cross Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

85. Order 200499 (ID:13127)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street weekdays 7-9AM, to restrict access to abutters only.

86. Order By Ald. McWatters

200500 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at the corner of

(ID:13128) Hillside Circle and Craigie Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

87. Mayor's Submitting an update on the residential food composting pilot project.

Communication 200501 RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

(ID:13116) **FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

PLACED ON FILE

88. Public Rep. Tim Toomey submitting comments re: #200177, economic inequality.

Communication 200502 (ID:13130)

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.