

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

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 20, 7:00 PM
Aldermanic Chambers

OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.
2. Minutes Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 25, 2007.

CITATIONS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS
AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

3. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works examine parking on Derby St., and take corrective action to relocate the curb cuts, to allow for more parking on the street.
4. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Commissioner of Public Works inform the Ward 4 Alderman of the health of the tree at 106 Puritan Rd.
5. Resolution By Ald. Pero, That this Board requests that the Administration address the City's response to the annual recognition of Veterans Day.
6. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police establish a neighborhood crime watch in the vicinity of Derby, Grant and Wheatland Sts.
7. Order By Ald. Pero, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol at Grimmons Park in Ten Hills at park closing time.

8. Order By Ald. Pero, That the City Solicitor respond to the petition of the 71% of Fellsway West residents who have petitioned the Traffic Commission for resident parking.
9. Order By Ald. Pero, That the City Clerk prepare a communication from this Board to the response of the FAA to the phone calls generated as a result of the air traffic over Somerville on 11/16/07.
10. Ordinance By Ald. Heuston, Amending Ordinance 8-7 relative to extended operating hours for retail and service businesses.
11. Order By Ald. Desmond and O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works contact NStar to repair the broken street light at 6 Pembroke St.
12. Order By Ald. Desmond, Connolly, Sullivan and White, That the Director of SPCD notify this Board of all environmental testing on large development projects and explain how abutters will be notified.
13. Order By Ald. Desmond, Connolly, Sullivan and White, That the Director of SPCD schedule with KSS Realty, owners of the Max Pak site, a neighborhood meeting to address the excavation and testing of soil, share the results, and develop better communications regarding all phases of development.
14. Order By Ald. Desmond, Trane and Roche, That the Directors of Personnel and Information Technology meet to recommend an on-call payment schedule for the IT Dept. and present it at the next IT Committee meeting.
15. Order By Ald. Desmond, Trane and Roche, That the Directors of Purchasing and Information Technology meet to develop a recommendation to purchase a diesel powered generator to provide electrical power to essential computer hardware systems in City Hall in case of a power outage.
16. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Director of SPCD prepare findings for the Zoning Board of Appeals, illustrating the non-compliance of 492 Medford St. and ordering that the building be lowered 4 feet from the Trull St. elevation.
17. Resolution By Ald. O'Donovan, That this Board requests that the Zoning Board of Appeals rescind any permits granted for 492 Medford St.
18. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the new street light at 16 Boston Ave. be situated far from the driveway, to allow for clear passage.

19. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds meet with the Ward 5 Alderman regarding Albion Park.
20. Order By Ald. O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works remove all remaining tree limbs and debris from Downer Place.
21. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Roche, Desmond, White and Connolly, That the Director Of SPCD request that Federal Realty and the MBTA provide shelters for the Assembly Sq. bus stops.
22. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Roche, Desmond, White and Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the MA Highway Dept. to clean up the debris underneath I-93 and add lighting at the Kensington Ave. extension.
23. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Roche, Taylor, Desmond, White and Connolly, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street light at 265 Medford St.
24. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance governing tree preservation and the tree warden's role in initiating the process for removing public shade trees in accordance with MGL chapter 87.
25. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Library Director and the Chair of the Disabilities Commission appear at the next Housing and Community Development Committee meeting to discuss disability accessibility at the West Branch Library.
26. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol around Meacham St. by Seven Hills Park on Friday and Saturday nights to reduce neighborhood crime.
27. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the temporary asphalt sidewalk at 14 Lowden Ave. with concrete panels and report to the Ward 6 Alderman when the new tree will be planted there.
28. Order By Ald. Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works report to the Ward 6 Alderman on the status of pole numbers and the city's phone number being placed on light poles along the bike path.
29. Resolution By Ald. Gewirtz, That this Board requests that the Administration provide the Ward 6 Alderman with the status of the hotel RFP for Davis Sq.

30. Resolution By Ald. Connolly, That this Board commends School Superintendent Tony Pierantozzi, the Somerville Community for Inclusion and the Somerville Special Education Advocacy Project for the well attended Inclusion Awareness Day on 11/17/07, at the Kennedy School.
31. Order By Ald. Connolly and Gewirtz, That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the city trees brushing against the house, and repair the cracked sidewalk, at 15 Burnham St.
32. Order By Ald. Connolly and O'Donovan, That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 229 Lowell St.
33. Order By Ald. Connolly and Trane, That the Director of SPCD attempt to assist the owner of 7 Hill St. to recover a down payment from an unlicensed and uninsured contractor known to be residing in West Somerville.
34. Order By Ald. Connolly, Roche and Sullivan, That the Director of SPCD inspect the worksite at 88 Broadway/1 Franklin St. for proper permits and access requirements for the abutting property at 3 Franklin St.
35. Order By Ald. Connolly, Taylor, Desmond and Sullivan, That the Commissioner of Public Works notify NStar to repair the light at 265 Highland Ave., across from Brady Towers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

36. Committee Report of the Committee on Finance, Nov. 13.
Report
37. Committee Report of the Committee on Public Utilities & Public
Report Works, Nov. 13.
38. Committee Report to the Committee on Legislative Matters, Nov. 13.
Report
39. Committee Report of the Committee on Licenses & Permits, Nov. 14.
Report
40. Committee Report of the Committee on Information Technology, Nov.
Report 14.
41. Committee Report of the Committee of Public Health & Public Safety,
Report Nov. 19.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

- 42. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of \$1,000,000 from IKEA for the Assembly Sq. Stabilization Fund.
- 43. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of \$250,000 from IKEA to reimburse the city for legal expenses incurred from 2004 to 2006 for Assembly Sq. development.
- 44. Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of \$100,000 from IKEA to establish a new Stabilization Fund under MGL c40 s5B to be known as the "East Somerville Stabilization Fund".
- 45. Mayor's Request Requesting approval for the Health Dept. to pay two prior year invoices of \$18,558.65 from Shore Educational Collaborative.
- 46. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Charlie Dennison to the Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- 47. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Brian Postlewaite to the Bicycle Advisory Committee.
- 48. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Kevin Allen to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- 49. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Thomas DeYoung to the Historic Preservation Commission.
- 50. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Daniel Willinger as Constable.
- 51. Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Robert Lomanno as Constable.

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

- 52. Officer's Comm. Eileen Feldman, Chair, Commission for Persons with Disabilities submitting comments re: the CDBG 5 year plan.

NEW BUSINESS

- 53. Public Occ Public Occupancy Permit, Somerville Dog Owners Group, "No Pile Left Behind" Pledge Drive, Community path near Willow Ave., Sat. Nov. 17, 8AM-6PM (raindate Nov. 18).
- 54. Open Air Renewal of Open Air Vendor License, Next Wave/Full Circle Schools, to sell Xmas Trees and Wreaths, Foss Park, Dec. 1-21, M-F, 4-8 and Sat-Sun 10-8.

55. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class I, Dom's Motor Service Inc. dba Riverside Kawasaki Yamaha, 2 Union Sq., 85 autos.
56. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Dom's Motor Service, Inc. dba Riverside Kawasaki Yamaha, 2 Union Sq., 2 autos & 15 motorcycles.
57. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Broadway Brake Corp., 45 Broadway, 3 autos.
58. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Foreign Auto Wholesalers, 80 Pearl St., 2 autos.
59. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, John's Auto Sales Inc., 181 Somerville Ave., 38 autos.
60. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, D.M. Auto Body Inc., 13 autos.
61. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Mystic Auto Sales & Service, 712 Mystic Ave., 10 autos.
62. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Concord Auto Service, 73 Summer St., 4 autos.
63. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, K & K Mechanics, 42 Dane St., 3 autos.
64. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Broadway Auto Sales, 525 Broadway, 11 autos.
65. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Ferry St. Motor Inc. dba American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave., 20 autos outside & 2 inside.
66. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Hillside Jaguar Inc. dba Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave., 10 autos.
67. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, James A. Kiley Co., 15 Linwood St., 6 autos.
68. Used Car Renewal of Used Car Dealers License Class II, Cambridge Auto Sales, 75 Park St., 23 autos.
69. Sign New Sign/Awning Permit, Ball Sq. Café and Breakfast, 708 Broadway, sign.

- 70. Comm. Senator Galluccio responding to #184351 re: relocating an MBTA bus stop on Broadway.
- 71. Comm. Senator Galluccio responding to #184371 re: increased traffic enforcement at Route 28 and Highland Ave.
- 72. Comm. Senator Galluccio responding to #184442 re: MBTA station security at Sullivan Sq.
- 73. Comm. Senator Galluccio responding to #184421 & #184422 re: Myrtle St. and Washington St.
- 74. Comm. Mass. DCR responding to resolutions 184421 & 184422 re: Myrtle St. and Washington St.
- 75. Comm. W. James Herbert re: the Local Historic District preservation plan and his property at 380 Somerville Ave.

LATE ITEMS