



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - November 15, 2017, 6:00 PM
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

(Posted online: 11/10/17 at 10:21 AM)

1. Approval of the October 4, 2017 Minutes

AirBnB

2. **202776: Discuss** (Connolly, and the Entire Board) – That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, with the assistance of other departments as necessary, forward to this Board’s Committee on Public Health and Safety a list of AirBnB-type lodging facilities in the city.
3. **202801: Discuss** (Davis, Rossetti, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration advise this Board on the proposed state regulation of AirBnB properties, and options the city might have for taxation and regulation.
4. **203802: Discuss** (Heuston, Davis) – That the City Solicitor and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide this Board with a plan to address the use of AirBnB for whole house rentals, including communications to residents who report such uses.
5. **203988: Discuss** (Connolly) – That the Mayor’s Legislative Liaison and appropriate city staff attend a meeting of this Board’s Public Health and Public Safety Committee to review AirbnB matters before the Committee.
6. **202907: Discuss** Conveying statistical and policy information from AirbnB relative to home sharing usage in Somerville.

Airplane Noise

7. **203066: Discuss** (Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Administration update

this Board on recent efforts to minimize Logan air traffic noise.

8. **203966: Discuss** (Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis) – That the Administration update this Board on the request that the FAA reject any design of the Millennium Tower in Boston that includes 775 feet of height, which would lead to more traffic on Logan Airport's Runway 33L.
9. **204128: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Administration convene a meeting to discuss airplane noise, similar to a meeting being held in Cambridge, and include congressional representatives, the state delegation, elected city officials and city staff.
10. **204515: Discuss** (White Jr., Rossetti, Heuston, Davis, McWatters, Ballantyne, Connolly, Sullivan) – Declaring that the FAA and Massport, by increasing traffic on Logan Airport Runway 33L, are neglecting the health, welfare, and quality of life of Somerville's residents, and urging the Administration to determine the city's legal options for recourse.
11. **202914: Discuss** (Rossetti) – Conveying Mike Wiser's report of the Massport RNAV Hearing and Forum, held on February 22, 2017, with the associated Massport presentation.

Bicycle Safety

12. **202182: Discuss** (Niedergang, and the Entire Board) – That the Chief of Police or the Director of SPCD report to this Board on plans to educate motorists about using the “Dutch Reach” to open the driver's door as a way to avoid “dooring” cyclists.
13. **202625: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD develop and report to this Board an outreach campaign to start in the spring of 2017, to educate motorists about using the “Dutch Reach” to open the driver's side door to avoid “dooring” cyclists.
14. **202314: Discuss** Director of Transportation and Infrastructure responding to #201794, #201799, and #202111, re: a safety education campaign for bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers.

Soundproofing

15. **202763: Discuss** (McLaughlin) – That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety determine the extent of soundproofing to be installed for the Green Line Extension.
16. **204372: Discuss** (McLaughlin) – That the Administration work with the State Delegation to provide sound barriers along I-93 to help with air and noise pollution.

Misc.

17. **201482: Discuss** Conveying the Carlson Group's study of Somerville's fire and rescue services.
18. **202913: Discuss** (Connolly) – That the Administration prepare a Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers from 65 years old to 68.
19. **202922: Discuss** (Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with the Committee on Public Health and Safety, the plan for using any proceeds realized from medical marijuana facilities.
20. **203004: Discuss** (White Jr., McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti) – That the Mayor work with the State Delegation on an agreement with the State to permit City crossing guards at the crosswalks at Highland Avenue and McGrath Highway, and to permit the Police Department to enforce traffic laws there.
21. **203594: Discuss** (Connolly) – That the City Solicitor draft an Ordinance prohibiting the public consumption of marijuana.
22. **203801: Discuss** (Heuston, Davis) – That the Administration establish a Pedestrian Safety Committee to promote pedestrian concerns and provide feedback from a pedestrian perspective.
23. **204390: Discuss** (McWatters) – That the Director of SPCD and the Tree Warden provide any new data to this Board indicating if any city trees are dying from gas leaks.
24. **204403: Discuss** Conveying the Executive Policy on Surveillance Technology.
25. **204451: Discuss** (Rossetti) – Conveying the School Department's Security Camera Policy to this Board's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.
26. **204463: Discuss** (Davis, Ballantyne, Lafuente) – That the Administration revise applicable ordinances and policies to prevent construction crews from closing sidewalks unless accommodations for safe pedestrian passage have been made, including the presence of detail officers at mid-block crossings if needed.
27. **204478: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Administration provide a means for Ward 2 residents to report helicopter noise early on weekday mornings, and partner with Cambridge to prepare a formal complaint.