

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Tuesday - December 20, 2011, 5:30 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

- **189587: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works Review the Policy of Utility Companies Repaying Public Roadways Upon Completion of Utility Work and Make Recommendations for Improving the Policy or Ordinance.
- **189692: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works (City Engineer) and the Director of SPCD Inspect Properties on Albion Place for Flooding Since the New Park Reconstruction.
- **189988: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works Appear Before the Subcommittee on Public Utilities and Public Works to Report on the Progress of the Magoun Square Reconstruction Project and to Discuss Its Completion.
- **190062: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works Direct the Appropriate Utility to Remove the Double Pole at 29 Delaware Street and Check the Utility Lines for Safety as They Appear to be Touching the House.
- **190067: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works Replace the City Gas Lamps at College Avenue and Winter Street and in Statue Park.
- **190068: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works Notify the Appropriate Utility to Repair the Streetlamps at at Morrison and Newberne Aves., 256 Morrison Ave., 22 Winslow Ave., Ciampa Manor, and College and Park Aves.
- **190124: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works and the City Solicitor appear before the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works to report on the cracks on Rogers Avenue caused by the prior street contractor.
- **190133: Discuss in Committee** That the Public Utilities and Public Works Committee discuss the damage done to the roof of 140 Willow Avenue by the utility companies working there.

- 190308: Discuss in Committee That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace or secure the traffic signs at 204 Cedar Street that face traffic exiting from Clyde Street as they pose a potential safety hazard to pedestrians.
- 190372: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding the lack of handicap ramps at the intersection of Highland Road and Kidder Avenue.
- **190373: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding proper signage at the intersection of Hinckley Street and Broadway.
- **190374: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works regarding Parker Place and Conwell Street.
- **190541: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of SPCD provide the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works with all drafts and responses between SPCD and Mr. Zuker that were used in producing the report of the Inspectional Services Dept.
- 190860: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works have city personnel inspect the pipe at all emergency street openings for gas leaks, and report on the condition to this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works.
- 191056: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utilities to address the overloaded and low hanging wires at Somerville Avenue at Kent Street, Somerville Avenue at Linden Street, and along Tyler Street.
- 191060: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works consider establishing or increasing the bond or insurance guarantees for utility companies that open sidewalks or streets for utility work and then replace the sidewalk or street with substandard work.
- 191365: Discuss in Committee That the ADA Compliance Officer conduct an assessment of ADA accessibility at the corner of Somerville Avenue and Kent Street and provide the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.
- 191674: Discuss in Committee That the City Clerk request that representatives of NStar Gas and Electric appear before this Board's Committee on Public Works and Public Utilities regarding the recent power outage in Magoun Square (June 14-15), ongoing repairs in West Somerville, and ongoing repairs and improvements citywide.
- **191809: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works install a raised crosswalk across Albion Street at the Albion Park Playground.
- **191810: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Works on the repaving of Conwell and Francis Streets.

- 191815: Discuss in Committee That the Director of SPCD place several additional seating options at Albion Park, especially near the water source, as the present seating is insufficient.
- 191944: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works report back to this Board on the completion of the Somerville Avenue MA Highway project and the timeframe for accepting the street from the State.
- 191946: Discuss in Committee That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Verizon to remove empty or abandoned telephone booths throughout the city, in particular, the booth in Davis Square on Elm Street.
- 191981: Discuss in Committee That the City Clerk contact NStar Electric to request that a representative appear before this Board to explain the process for requesting commercial service.
- 192242: Discuss in Committee That this Board requests that the Administration coordinate efforts with NStar to inventory the non-operating lights in West Somerville and make them operational as quickly as possible.
- 192279: Discuss in Committee That this Board requests that NStar and National Grid create a policy to notify the Mayor's Office, Communications Dept., Constituent Services Dept. and all affected Aldermen of scheduled outages, ensuring that a repeat of the November 16 incident, where only residents were notified, is not repeated.
- **192309: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for all utilities with equipment on double poles to meet with the Committee on Public Utilities and Works early in 2012.