



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES**

June 21, 2012

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Maryann M. Heuston	Chair	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Vice Chair	Absent	
John M Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Robert C. Trane	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent	
Thomas F. Taylor	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Omar Boukili	Administrative Assisstant	Present	
Paul Upton	Deputy Police Chief	Present	
Doug Willardson	Budget Analyst	Present	
Peter Forcellese, Jr.	City Treasurer	Present	
Ed Bean	Chief Financial Officer	Present	
George Proakis	OSPCD - City Planner	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	

191697 - Requesting authorization to pay a prior year invoice of \$272 in the Council on Aging.:

RESULT:

PLACED ON FILE

191841 - Requesting the extension of a Grant with the MA DOT to August 30, 2012, for the Union Square roadway and streetscape improvements design study.:

RESULT:

PLACED ON FILE

193223 - Requesting approval to accept a grant of \$12,200 from the Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Initiative for the Police Dept. to address gang violence and substance abuse.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193279 - Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice of \$667 for Collins Overhead Door for service performed in FY11.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193346 - Requesting an appropriation of \$7,583,145 from the Receipts Reserved-Insurance Losses Account to the East Somerville Community School Renovation Project to fund the renovation and reconstruction of the school.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193352 - Requesting a transfer of \$250 within the Information Technology Department, from the Maintenance Software Account to the Salaries and Wages Account.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193353 - Requesting payment of a FY11 invoice of \$50.80 by the DPW for Murray Supply, for supplies purchased.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193354 - Requesting that two trucks operated by the DPW be declared surplus and available for disposition.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193355 - Requesting the acceptance of a \$21,200 grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Police Dept. to purchase bulletproof vests.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193393 - Requesting approval for SPCD to pay prior year invoices totalling \$3,728.57 from FY12 funds, for MuniCode to maintain the Zoning Code.:

RESULT:

APPROVED

193396 - Requesting acceptance of a grant of up to \$72,680.89 from the Boston Office of Emergency Preparedness for continuing the process of target hardening of the Public Safety Building and Fire Headquarters.:

RESULT:**APPROVED**

189601 - That This Board of Aldermen Hereby Requests that the Administration Provide This Board with an Update on Efforts it Has Taken to Initiate a Car Sharing Program Within City Departments.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

191435 - Requesting approval to transfer \$120,420 from the Salary Contingency-Salaries Acct. to the Police Medical and Dental Services Acct. to fund a deficit in medical claims.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

191454 - That the Commissioner of Public Works make various repairs at the West Branch Library including reinforcing basement walls and repairing broken windows.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

191455 - That the Library Director create a written plan and timeline detailing how the \$15,000 donation to the Children's Room at the West Branch Library will be allocated.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

191573 - That the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of SPCD create a business/financial plan to build a new library, detailing how revenues would be earmarked and providing a feasibility study and secure financial analysis to the Committee on Finance within 90 days.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

191740 - That the Director of SPCD provide the Finance Committee with an update of the MaxPak project.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

191745 - Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for the reconstruction and streetscape of Lower Broadway and authorization to borrow \$2,000,000 in a bond to meet said appropriation.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

191786 - Requesting extension of a Contract with Howard/Stein-Hudson Inc., to August 30, 2012, to complete the Union Sq. roadway/streetscape improvement design plan.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

191795 - Requesting an appropriation of \$25,000 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund to fund architectural and engineering services for an ice rink at Lincoln Park.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

192128 - That the Superintendent of Recreation provide the Committee on Finance with a detailed accounting of the ice rink's Enterprise Fund expenditures to date.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192185 - Requesting a transfer of \$15,000 from the Salary Contingency Acct. to the Police Other Lump Sum Payments Acct. to fund relocation expenses for the Police Chief per an Employment Agreement.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

192187 - Requesting a transfer of \$9,350 from the Salary Contingency Acct. to the Police Animal Control Salaries Acct. to fund additional staff services during the maternity leave of the Animal Control Officer.:

RESULT:**PLACED ON FILE**

192245 - That the Director of Finance appear before the Finance Committee to discuss the impact upon the City's budget from the City's notice to terminate the lease for the waste transfer facility.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192366 - That the Director of SPCD submit the Workforce Training RFPs to the Finance Committee for review.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192621 - That the Chief Financial Officer appear before this Board's Committee on Finance to present an update on the FY12 budget, especially expenditures.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192643 - That this Board requests that the Administration conduct a thorough review of the Public Library, including long-range planning to maintain the highest level of community services, and report back to this Board prior to the FY13 budget review.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192742 - That the Chief Financial Officer provide the Committee on Finance with further clarification of how the City receives appropriations of funds for acceptance into the City's General fund.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192774 - That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with a list of all tax exempt property, showing the valuation and possible tax dollars that would be collected if not for the exempt status.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

192782 - That this Board requests that the Administration, with this Board, consider creating a low cost loan program for locally-owned independent businesses.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

193050 - Chief Assessor responding to #192774 re: tax exempt properties and the potential taxes lost.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

193059 - That this Board requests that the Administration include funding in the upcoming Capital Plan for renovations to the West Branch Library, including accessibility.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**