



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE  
Committee of the Whole

Tuesday - October 6, 2015, 6:30 PM  
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

**AGENDA**

- 1. Approval of the September 16, 2015 Minutes**
- 2. 199625: Recommend** Requesting authorization to develop a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) plan to aggregate the electricity load of residents and businesses, per MGL c164 s134.
- 3. 199092: Discuss** (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.
- 4. 199133: Discuss** (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.
- 5. 199951: Discuss** (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.
- 6. 199952: Discuss** (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.
- 7. 199982: Discuss** (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.

8. **199983: Discuss** (Ballantyne, McWatters, Rossetti, Niedergang, Lafuente, Connolly) – That the City Arborist inspect the health of the trees at the locations named within.
9. **199984: Discuss** (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.
10. **200021: Discuss** (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.
11. **199097: Discuss** 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.
12. **199419: Discuss** (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.
13. **199420: Discuss** (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.
14. **199712: Discuss** (Niedergang) – 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 Globe Direct circulars, and whether Cambridge’s agreement with Globe Direct is being implemented here.