



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE
Committee Meeting

Thursday - December 2, 2021, 6:00 PM
Virtual

AGENDA

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1. Approval of the November 4, 2021 Minutes
2. Approval of the October 21, 2021 Minutes
3. **211197: Discuss** (Davis) – That the City Solicitor draft language to change all pronouns in the city's ordinances to gender-neutral.
4. **211260: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling legislation for the Police Reserve List.
5. **211261: Discuss** (Scott) – That the City Solicitor prepare legislation revoking the enabling legislation for the Fire Reserve List.
6. **211318: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 48 Sections 59B, 59C and 59D relative to a Reserve Fire Force.

7. **211319: Recommend** Requesting rescission of the adoption of MGL Chapter 147 Sections 11, 12 and 13 relative to a Reserve Police Force.
8. **212544: Recommend** (Ewen-Campen, Davis, Strezo, Ballantyne) – That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to exempt Somerville from MGL 135 Sec 8, and thus allow the City of Somerville to donate unclaimed bicycles to local non-profit organizations, rather than selling them at auction.
9. **212697: Recommend** Submitting proposed amendments to modernize the City's Biotechnology Ordinance.
10. **211417: Recommend** City Solicitor responding to #211232 with an amendment to Ordinances 10-1 and 10-1.1, to eliminate specified levels of patrol and superior officers in the Police Department.
11. **212572: Recommend** (Davis, White Jr., McLaughlin) – That the City Solicitor work with this Council to amend the anti-nepotism ordinance to allow for more flexibility when the circumstances warrant.