



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

June 6, 2011

REPORT OF THE LAND USE COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
William A. White Jr.	Chair	Present	
Thomas F. Taylor	Vice Chair	Present	
Sean T. O'Donovan	Ward Five Alderman	Absent	
John M Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Omar Boukili	Administrative Assistant	Present	
Steve MacEachern	Supt. of Lines and Lights, DPW	Present	
George Proakis	OSPCD	Present	
Robert King	City Engineer	Present	

The committee met in joint session with the Committee on Legislative Matters and the Committee on Parks and Open Space.

190781: Requesting an amendment to the Code of Ordinances to establish regulations for paving driveways and other impervious surfaces.

The members discussed the proposed changes to the ordinance and reviewed a new application to be used for curb cuts and driveway modifications. A component of the application is a requirement for any contractor approved to construct or modify a driveway in the City of Somerville to execute a bond, most likely in the amount of \$10,000. Additionally, a scaled drawing of the planned work must be provided. The city will make a concerted effort to apprise contractors of the new regulations and the effective date. Mr. Proakis advised that any questions relating to permits should be addressed to the Inspectional Services Department.

The committee requested that representatives from OSPCD and the DPW, along with the City Engineer, present the committee with new proposals on this matter in September.