

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Wednesday - June 3, 2020, 6:00 PM Virtual

AGENDA

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation.

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- 1. Approval of the March 10, 2020 Minutes
- **2. 208986: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Hirsch, Mbah, Clingan) That the Administration update this Council on plans to preserve onsite affordable senior housing and care for the current and future residents of the Little Sisters of the Poor facility.
- **3. 206773: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, and the Entire Board) That the Administration establish a widely-advertised Fair Housing enforcement program that proactively tests for illegal housing discrimination.
- **4. 210213: Discuss** (Strezo, Scott, Davis, Ewen-Campen, Clingan) That this Council discuss the need for Rent Control in light of the global COVID-19 pandemic, as illustrated by dramatic rent increases displacing residents.
- **5. 209565: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Davis, Clingan) That the Director of SPCD help ensure the effectiveness of the Tenant Notification Act via a citywide mailer, and by ensuring that

the Director of 311 and the Director of Inspectional Services inform all city employees of the enforcement of this policy.

- **6. 204990: Discuss** (Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen, Clingan, McLaughlin) That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Affordable Housing Universal Wait List plan and consolidating the process of applying for affordable housing into a single, universal, persistent application, lottery, and wait list.
- **7. 208576: Discuss** (Scott) That the Director of SPCD provide a quarterly update regarding implementation of a universal waiting list for affordable housing opportunities.