



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - October 14, 2015, 6:00 PM  
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

**AGENDA**

1. **Approval of the October 7, 2015 Minutes**
2. **198160: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 and authorization to borrow that amount in a bond for a comprehensive planning effort for Assembly Square.
3. **198399: Discuss** Requesting to appear before this Board to discuss the City's economic outlook and planning.
4. **199247: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with written responses to certain requests for residential and commercial data since 2010.
5. **199250: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation of \$445,000 and authorization to borrow that amount in a bond for a comprehensive planning effort for Assembly Square.
6. **199255: Discuss** Director of Housing conveying an outline of the "100 Homes" initiative and requesting the opportunity to present it to this Board at its earliest opportunity.
7. **199297: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Administration implement a PILOT program to promote partnerships with major local non-profit institutions for fair-value voluntary PILOTs.
8. **199305: Discuss** (White Jr., Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with a comprehensive financial plan to develop Union Square, including expenditures to

date and future costs, by early September.

9. **199414: Discuss** (Rossetti, and the Entire Board) – That the Administration, with the Fire and Police Departments, compile a report, by July 31, 2015, of "needed assistance" calls made by each tax-exempt facility over the past 2 years. (2nd request)
10. **199527: Recommend** Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$550,000 in a bond for betterments and improvements to the East Broadway streetscape.
11. **199572: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That any department that deviates from the expenditures provided as part of the Professional and Technical Services FY16 budget presentation notify this Board of that deviation.
12. **199750: Discuss** Chief Fire Engineer responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-exempt facilities.
13. **199863: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Administration consider the development of a Tree and Bench donation program to supplement the City's investments in these areas.
14. **199897: Discuss** Director of Personnel responding to #199656 re: employee vacancies.
15. **200000: Discuss** Conveying the recommendation of the Powder House School Disposition Technical Advisory Committee and my selection for the Preferred Developer.
16. **200064: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD consult with the new management team at North Point and report back to this Board on their plans.
17. **200065: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the City Engineer provide this Board with the storm water policy and a discussion of the 4 to 1 plan.
18. **200066: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the City Treasurer provide this Board with Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund balance sheets and a report of water and sewer rates in the 15 largest MA communities.
19. **200076: Recommend** Requesting approval to pay FY15 invoices from FY16 appropriations totaling \$53,666.71 in the Department of Public Works.
20. **200077: Recommend** Requesting the payment of an FY15 collection invoice totalling

\$10,602.40 with FY16 funds in the Traffic and Parking Department.

21. **200078: Recommend** Requesting approval for the Inspectional Services Department to use FY16 funds to pay a FY15 invoice of \$122.
22. **200079: Recommend** Requesting the acceptance of a \$59,791 grant from the MA Office of Public Safety for 911 training and emergency medical dispatch services.
23. **200080: Recommend** Requesting the acceptance of a grant totaling \$39,446.00 from FEMA, For the Fire Dept's Fire Prevention and Safety Program.
24. **200081: Recommend** Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$13,050 from Mass Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's Union Square cultural economic development work--ArtsUnion.
25. **200082: Recommend** Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,100 from the Mass Cultural Council, for the Arts Council's operational support.
26. **200083: Recommend** Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$3,922.61 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for Fire Department overtime expenses incurred for the Riverfest Fireworks.
27. **200107: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD explain to this Board, in writing, the comments discussed in the State SIP Report on the Green Line Extension.
28. **200109: Recommend** Request an appropriation of \$188,344 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the purchase of new DS 200 Voting Machines, and authorization to use those machines effective March, 2016.
29. **200117: Discuss** Police Department responding to #199414 re: needed-assistance calls to tax-exempt properties.