



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS

CLERK OF COMMITTEES

September 9, 2015

REPORT OF THE RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Maryann M. Heuston	Chair	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Vice Chair	Present	
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	

Others present: Omar Boukili - Mayor's Office

The following motions were approved:

That the City Clerk notify the department heads of Inspectional Services and SomerStat to attend meetings of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues and inform them that if unable to attend, representatives from the departments are to attend in their place.

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services provide status reports on the following items:

- 198190 - 11 Austin Street
- 199342 - Everett Avenue & Cross Street
- 199367 - Grand View Avenue
- 199368 - 3 Chester Avenue
- 199422 - Modelo Bakery & White Sport Pizza - (including proof of inspection of proper grease disposal)
- 199670 - East Broadway businesses - (including proof of inspection of proper grease disposal)
- 199674 - Kensington Avenue, Pennsylvania Avenue, Dell Street, Ellsworth Street, Cutter Street, Medford Street - (including community meetings)
- 199682 - construction sites
- 199684 - MacArthur Street

- 199687 - Healy School
- 199689 - 41 Marshall Street
- 199796 - as listed within

Approval of the Minutes of May 27, 2015**RESULT:****APPROVED**

198190 - That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the property and field around 11 Austin Street for rodents.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

198374 - That the Director of SPCD communicate with the appropriate state agency to address the rodent issues on, and the underutilization of, the land behind 11 Austin Street and I-93.:

The committee requested *that the City Clerk send a communication to Representative Tim Toomey recommending that the state address the rodent issue behind 11 Austin Street and I-93.*

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199342 - That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the corner of Everett Avenue and Cross Street for rodents and bait accordingly.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199367 - That the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait the sewers on Grand View Avenue for rodents.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199368 - That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the area on McGrath Highway behind 3 Chester Avenue for rodent activity, issue fines as indicated, and direct the property owner to clean and bait the area.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199422 - That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect the parking and trash area that opens onto Lowell Street, behind Modelo Bakery and White Sport Pizza in Magoun Square for signs of rodent activity and take appropriate action.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199670 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the businesses along East Broadway for rodent issues.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199674 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services address rodent complaints along Kensington and Pennsylvania Avenues, and Dell, Ellsworth, Cutter, and Medford Streets.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199678 - That the Administration provide financial assistance to residents to combat rodent problems on MacArthur Street and all of East Somerville.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

199680 - That the Director of Communications use the city's Connect CTY system to remind residents of the importance of rodent prevention.:

Motion made and approved, *that the Director of Communications notify the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, within 30 days, of the plan to utilize the Connect CTY system to remind residents of the importance of rodent prevention, as directed in Order # 199680.*

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199682 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services update this Board on rodent control measures at construction sites.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199683 - That the Director of SomerStat consider other options for measuring rodent control efforts.:

RESULT:**WORK COMPLETED**

199684 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services consider using rodent birth control on MacArthur Street.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199687 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect the Healy School for trash and rodents and bait/set traps as necessary.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199689 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 41 Marshall Street for overgrowth and rodents and take all appropriate actions.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**

199796 - That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services perform the actions listed within to combat the rodent problem in the city.:

RESULT:**KEPT IN COMMITTEE**